

# Virtual Volunteering Opportunities

Nonprofits are the backbone of our communities – some are more visible than others in their impact and the needs they meet. While COVID-19 is affecting everyone, nonprofits are particularly feeling the pinch. They must simultaneously adjust their work environments and policies to ensure the safety and well-being of their staff and volunteers while demand for their programs and services surges beyond the scale their networks are prepared to handle. We listed virtual volunteering opportunity categories below. If you are interested in a particular category, we encourage you to investigate these opportunities by selecting one of the links in that category. As you consider the many virtual/remote volunteer opportunities available to you, please keep in mind the nonprofit organizations may be delayed in responding to your expressions of interest and/or inquiries.

## GENERAL SKILLS OPPORTUNITIES

- [Doe Network](#) Devoted to assisting official law enforcement agencies in solving cold cases concerning unexplained disappearances and unidentified Victims from North America, Australia and Europe. Online volunteers also help translate documents into various languages.
- [Mozilla/Firefox](#) Did you know that this web browser is produced by a nonprofit organization through the Mozilla Foundation? "We believe in the power and potential of the Internet and want to see it thrive for everyone, everywhere." Mozilla involves hundreds of online volunteers, and "you don't have to be a C++ guru (or even know what that means!)" to contribute as an online volunteer.
- [Nabuur](#) is an online volunteering platform that links volunteers with local communities in Africa, Asia and Latin America so they can learn about each other, share ideas and find solutions to local issues.
- [The OpenMRS](#) community is a worldwide network of volunteers from many different backgrounds including technology, health care, and international development. Together, they are working to build the world's largest and most flexible technology platform to support delivery of health care in some of the most challenging environments on the planet.
- [Wikipedia](#), the largest online volunteering initiative in the world. To volunteer through the Wikimedia Foundation, you simply find an article you have some knowledge of and add information to the entry. Note that Wikipedia now strongly encourages all additions to any entry be attributed to a verifiable source. Available in Spanish, French, German, Polish, Italian, Dutch, Portuguese and more!
- The [Zooniverse](#) is the world's largest and most popular platform for people-powered research. This research is made possible by volunteers. With our wide-ranging and ever-expanding suite of projects, covering many disciplines and topics across the sciences and humanities, there's a place for anyone and everyone to explore, learn and have fun in

the Zooniverse. To volunteer with Zooniverse, just go to the Projects page, choose the one you like the look of, and get started.

- Track bird populations with [eBird](#).
- Test, evaluate or develop elements of the [National Park Service's](#) online presence.
- Volunteer with [Bundles of Love Charity](#) in Minnesota to make handmade newborn items for babies in need. There are a variety of patterns available for sweaters, booties, afghans, mittens and bibs located on their [patterns page](#).
- Volunteer with [Project Linus](#) with many chapters located across the US to make handmade blankets for sick and traumatized children. Options include crochet or knit [afghans](#), [quilts](#) or [tied fleece](#) blankets. For tied fleece blankets, please make them single layer as many of the recipient sites do not accept double layer fleece blankets.
- Volunteer with [Mother Bear Project](#), make crochet or knit teddy bears for children impacted by HIV/AIDS in 3rd world countries. Patterns for TR employees can be found on the [Crafting for Kids](#) Hub group.
- Say "thank you" to American deployed troops, national guardsmen, first responders and emergency medical personnel by assembling care packages, creating survival bracelets and writing letters of appreciation. [Operation Gratitude](#).