

ONLINE SERVICE IDEAS AND THINGS YOU CAN DO TO SERVE OTHERS

Service: involves hands on service to an organization, cause or community

1. CATCHAFIRE

Catchafire's goal is to make volunteering as efficient and effective as possible by matching talented individuals with organizations in need of their specific skill set. They value results and, as such, only work with non-profits that have what they call a "demonstrable impact." You can search their database in a fairly straightforward way. Start by choosing "what you're good at" and then filter the results by "online" or "virtual."

2. CRISIS TEXT LINE

Crisis Text Line is free, 24/7 support for those in crisis. Crisis Text Line trains volunteers ages 18 and older to support people in crisis.

3. TRANSLATORS WITHOUT BORDERS

Translators Without Borders is a non-profit organization offering language and translation support for humanitarian and development agencies, and other non-profit organizations on a global scale. If you are fluent in at least one language other than your native language, you can volunteer online.

4. UNITED NATIONS VOLUNTEERS

The United Nations Volunteers program contributes to peace and development through volunteerism worldwide. Online volunteering allows organizations and volunteers to team up to address sustainable development from 187 countries around the globe.

5. SMITHSONIAN DIGITAL VOLUNTEERS

The Smithsonian Institution is the world's largest museum, education and research complex. Today, digital technology makes it possible for people who believe in the Smithsonian mission to make significant contributions online. Digital Volunteers can now take on important assignments to expand access to the Smithsonian's massive collections and can participate in a variety of research programs.

6. AMNESTY DECODERS

Operated by <u>Amnesty International</u>, a global movement of more than 7 million people who campaign for a world where human rights are enjoyed by all. Amnesty Decoders is a platform for volunteers from around the world to use their computers or phones to help researchers sift through pictures, information and documents to identify human rights violations.

7. NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Since 1916, the National Park Service has been entrusted with the care of U.S. national parks. With the help of volunteers and partners, it safeguards these special places and share their stories with more than 330 million visitors every year. Online volunteers can test, evaluate or develop elements of the NPS's online presence.

8. VOLUNTEERMATCH

VolunteerMatch makes volunteering easy. They match people with causes, connecting millions of people with a place to volunteer. You can customize your search for your perfect online opportunity in both the USA and Canada in your field of interest.

- 9. PICK UP TRASH/LITTER IN YOUR NEIGHBORHOOD Added bonus: you get a little exercise, and this gets you outside! Post to social media using #DUCares.
- 10. GROCERY SHOP FOR THE ELDERLY IN YOUR AREA
- 11. SEE IF A LOCAL NURSING HOME WILL LET YOU SEND CARDS TO CHEER RESIDENTS

12. UNITED PLANET

United Planet unlocks your potential as a global citizen, empowering you to create a more peaceful, cohesive and sustainable world. With partnerships all over the world, United Planet fosters cross-cultural understanding and addresses shared challenges to unite the world in a community beyond borders. United Planet is responding to our world crisis by offering virtual volunteer and virtual internship programs to meet these needs. PS: They also offer a virtual exchange program!

13. LEARN TO BE

Learn to Be is really easy way to do good. Sign up to be a tutor and you can help K-12 underserved youth in math, science, reading and writing from wherever is most convenient and whenever is most convenient.