



## FINDING A SERVICE PROJECT FOR YOUR GROUP

We encourage you to share your passion about a cause or organization with your fellow alumni by organizing a service project and serving as its project coordinator. Sometimes the hardest part is finding the best match for your community's needs and what your group would like to do. This document shares some tips and resources that can help you identify a project for Yale Day of Service.

### 1. Volunteer Matching Groups

Several non-profit organizations work to connect volunteers with local organizations in need of help.

[VolunteerMatch.org](#) “We believe everyone should have the chance to make a difference. That's why we make it easy for good people and good causes to connect. “

#### [Idealist.org](#)

“Founded in 1995, Idealist’s mission is to help build a world where all people can lead free and dignified lives by inviting people everywhere to imagine, connect, and act.”

#### **AARP Virtual Volunteer and Create the Good**

For adults aged 50 and older, AARP connects volunteers with organizations for both virtual and in-person service opportunities.

[Virtual opportunities](#)

[In person opportunities](#)

#### **[Clean Up The World](#) (International Options)**

A not-for-profit, non-government apolitical event that unites communities with a common focus to protect the environment. We support local groups and organisations to plan and conduct various activities to clean up, fix up and conserve the environment.” It has volunteer campaigns around the world— Africa, Europe, West Asia, Asia Pacific, Latin America & Caribbean and North America.

### 2. Connect with Opportunities in Your Community

Connecting with a local service opportunity can be as simple as an [Internet Search](#). Here are some examples:

#### Environmental Projects

Here are a few results from the Internet search, “[Clean up Parks.](#)”

#### **UNITED STATES**

##### **Arizona**

[Flagstaff- City Stewards Program](#)

[Phoenix - My Phoenix My Park](#)  
[Phoenix-Hands On Phoenix --](#)  
[Tucson-Tucson Clean & Beautiful](#)

## **California**

[Riverside-Riverside Parks & Recreation](#)

## **Nebraska**

[Lincoln - Stream Cleanup](#)  
[University of Nebraska, Lincoln: Volunteer Locations](#)

## **South Dakota**

[Adopt a Park Program](#)  
[Black Hills National Forest](#)

## **INTERNATIONAL**

### **Canada**

[London Clean and Green](#)

### **England**

[Keep Britain Tidy](#)

Non-Profit organization dedicated to making “*British outdoor spaces cleaner and greener*” and “*improving the environment on your doorstep.*”

### **Japan**

[Tokyo River Friends](#)

Outdoor clean up events throughout the year

### **The Philippines**

[Clean up the Philippines](#)

A campaign of Clean Up The World

## **Family Friendly Projects**

**Search #1**--“Family volunteer opportunities [Add your city]”

Examples of results:

### **Colorado**

[Kids Mile High](#)  
[Colorado Parent](#)

### **Michigan**

[Little Guide Detroit](#)

### **Texas**

[San Antonio, Kids Out and About](#)

**Search #2**--“Volunteer with my family [Add your city]”

Examples of results:

### **Georgia**

[365 Atlanta Traveler](#)  
[Hands on Atlanta](#)

### **Kansas**

[Wichita Mom](#)  
[Wichita Mom Volunteer](#)

### **New York**

[Volunteer NYC](#)