



# VOLUNTEER CONNECT

*MORE VISIBILITY, MORE VOLUNTEERS*

Volunteer Florida is excited to introduce Florida's official volunteer opportunities platform - **VOLUNTEER CONNECT!** Organizations can use this resource to:

- ▶ **PROMOTE** volunteer opportunities, searchable by:
  - ▶ Date ▶ Location ▶ Issue area ▶ Population/age group served
- ▶ **SCHEDULE** volunteers by general availability or specific shift requests
- ▶ **TRACK** volunteer sign-up, onsite attendance and service hours
- ▶ **COMMUNICATE** with volunteer teams or individuals
- ▶ **PARTICIPATE** in exclusive volunteer management trainings

**Register your organization today!**

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## MORE ON VOLUNTEER CONNECT

Tasked with generally promoting volunteerism, [Volunteer Florida](#)\* has developed a platform called [Volunteer Connect](#) that will effectively strengthen service across our state. We believe volunteerism powerfully impacts our communities, and is a critical piece of our social fabric.

**Launched to organizations in June, the platform will serve as a connection hub for organizations that mobilize volunteers, and Floridians interested in volunteering.**

Individuals, families and groups can search for engaging opportunities, and public and private nonprofit organizations can use this simple outreach and management platform to engage Floridians in service.

### **For Organizations (Registration is live):**

- Organizations with IRS 501(c)(3) nonprofit status and government entities can [easily register for a partner organization account](#) and begin using any or all of Volunteer Connect's promotion, management, communication and reporting features.
- [Ongoing training](#) is available about the use of Volunteer Connect and about general volunteer management functions and topics.
- Volunteer Florida will continually promote Volunteer Connect across the state, establishing it as a key volunteer connection mechanism for the public.
- There is no cost to use the platform.



**For Volunteers (Search and registration are live this fall):**

- Volunteers can use a variety of search filters to discover appealing opportunities. Filters include population served, issue area, age group served, suitability for groups, court-ordered community service and more.
- By registering for a Volunteer Connect user account, [volunteers](#) can register for opportunities, track their volunteer hours, view upcoming opportunities and save searches.
- Volunteers can browse articles and resources about the critical importance of volunteering, its personal and professional benefits, volunteer impact, volunteering best practices and other valuable topics.



\*[Volunteer Florida](#), the state's lead agency for national service and volunteerism, administers impactful funding opportunities (like AmeriCorps) and coordinates statewide volunteer and donation efforts before, during and after disasters.