



Youth Volunteering and Community  
Service Opportunities

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## Navigation Services



Need more information? Contact our Navigation Services Team at 303-432-5130 or [navigation@jcmh.org](mailto:navigation@jcmh.org)

If you notice any changes or inconsistencies with our resources, please inform Navigation to help us stay current.

### **The Dumb Friends League**

303-751-5772

2080 S. Quebec St., Denver, CO 80231

<https://www.ddfl.org/volunteer/>

- Requirements: To volunteer, you must be at least sixteen years old (some positions require individuals to be at least 18 years of age) and willing to make a six-month commitment of approximately three hours per week
- Get Started: Complete the application, attend orientation, interview, and attend training classes.
- Notes: Court ordered volunteering available with stipulations and depending on charges

### **Denver Animal Shelter**

720-913-1311

1241 W. Bayaud Ave., Denver, CO 80223

<https://www.denvergov.org/content/denvergov/en/denver-animal-shelter.html>

- Junior volunteering: Must be 12-15 years of age and accompanied by a parent or guardian
- Notes: Multiple volunteer opportunities, including junior volunteers, foster volunteers, pet supply drives, and homemade toys and supplies

### **The Denver Zoo**

720-337-1400

2300 Steele St., Denver, CO 80205

<https://denverzoo.org/volunteer/>

- Requirements:
  - Must be 18 or older, willing to give 50 hours of service per year.
  - Must be able to pay for a zoo membership, \$35 application fee (scholarships available).
  - Must pass criminal background check
- A variety of volunteer experiences available, including: guest experience volunteer, animal care volunteer, horticulture volunteer, and nutrition center volunteer

### **Zuma's Rescue Ranch**

303-346-7493

7745 N Moore Rd, Littleton, CO 80125

<https://zumasrescueranch.com/read-me>

- Orientations are held on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month from 9a - 11a with an option to stay until 12p for some hands-on training time.
  - Children under the age of 16 must be accompanied by a parent/guardian at all times, and children under the age of 18 will require an adult to sign their liability waiver.
  - Volunteer application available on website
  - After you complete orientation, Zuma's also offers a 2 hour horsemanship class (\$80) that is required for all volunteers & riding students to participate in all activities that involve animal handling of any kind.

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### **Foothills Animal Shelter**

303-278-7575

580 McIntyre St., Golden, CO 80401

<https://foothillsanimalshelter.org/volunteer/>

- Requirements: Must be 16 years of age, willing to make a 6 month commitment with a weekly or every other week shift
  - Volunteers must contribute a fee (\$17) to cover the cost of a volunteer t-shirt and name tag
  - Volunteers must complete online orientations and trainings
  - Submit online application and pass criminal background check
  - Attend “Animal Training Day”
- For general questions about volunteering contact Kristen Galles at [Kgalles@fas4pets.org](mailto:Kgalles@fas4pets.org)

### **VOA Colorado – Youth Program**

303-297-0408

2660 Larimer St. Denver, CO 80205

<https://www.voacolorado.org/volunteer-opportunities/youth-volunteer-program>

- Youth ages 11-17 years can volunteer for a variety of programs including working with children in Head Start schools, helping the homeless, assisting homebound seniors and more.
- To learn more email [Jotteman@voacolorado.org](mailto:Jotteman@voacolorado.org).

### **Volunteers for Outdoor Colorado**

303-715-1010 x 114

600 S. Marion Pkwy. Denver, CO 80209

<https://www.voc.org/family-volunteering-ages-6>

- Offers a variety of volunteer opportunities for families and children ages 6+
- All youth under 16 must be accompanied by an adult.

### **Clothes to Kids of Denver**

720-379-4630

2890 S Colorado Blvd, Unit M-3, Denver, CO 80222

<https://clothestokidsdenver.org/volunteer/>

- Youth volunteers are invited to help process clothing donations at the store. Volunteers must be in 5<sup>th</sup> grade or older.
  - Youth volunteers must be in 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade and may volunteer without an adult.
  - Remote volunteer opportunities are available for youth in 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade.
  - Any student under the age of 18 can become a Student Ambassador.
- To learn more about volunteer opportunities, email Volunteer Coordinator Eileen Robinson at [volunteer@clothestokidsdenver.org](mailto:volunteer@clothestokidsdenver.org)

### **Habitat for Humanity of Metro Denver**

720-496-2736

7535 S Hampden Ave Suite 600 Denver, CO 80231

<https://www.habitatmetrodenver.org/volunteer/individual/youth-opportunities/>

- Offers a variety of volunteer opportunities for youth.
- For youth 14+, there are opportunities to volunteer in a Restore or assist on a construction site
  - Certain opportunities require youth to be accompanied by an adult

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## Denver Rescue Mission

303-953-3955

6100 Smith Road Denver, CO 80216

<https://denverrescuemission.org/volunteer/>

- Offers opportunities for youth to volunteer for meal service.
- Age requirements for meal service volunteers varies depending on the facility where you are volunteering.
- All volunteers under the age of 18 must be accompanied by someone who is 18 or older

## Project Angel Heart

303-830-02002

4950 Washington St, Denver, CO 80216

<https://www.projectangelheart.org/volunteer/community-service-and-service-learning/>

- Offers volunteer opportunities for youth in school.
- Minimum of 24 hours and a 3 month commitment are required
- Activities available include: meal delivery with a guardian and meal bag decoration.
  - For meal delivery, both the youth and guardian need to attend a new volunteer orientation and the guardian must pass a background check.

## Spark the Change Colorado

303-282-1234

[www.sparkthechangecolorado.org](http://www.sparkthechangecolorado.org)

- Provides an online database of volunteer opportunities throughout Colorado.