



## CELEBRATE WITH SHARING

**Gather your friends, family, and co-workers to do a volunteer activity for Simpson.**

Our Celebrate with Sharing program helps you create your own calendar of meaningful volunteer activities that your group can do for Simpson throughout the year.

Follow these steps to start your planning today!

**1** Visit [simpsonhousing.org](http://simpsonhousing.org), Click on Volunteer. Click on Celebrate with Sharing.

**2** Follow the steps to select and schedule projects that meets the current and most immediate needs of Simpson.

**3** Create the calendar worksheet to schedule your Simpson volunteer activities throughout the year.

**4** Incorporate our reflection questions into your volunteering experience to create long-lasting meaning for your group.

**3,666**  
volunteers

**VOLUNTEER IMPACT**  
**28,916 HOURS**  
equivalent to 14 full time employees

**444**  
meals were served  
at the shelter

Reporting period: July 1, 2018 – June 30, 2019

### OUR MISSION

To house, support, and advocate for people experiencing homelessness.



[simpsonhousing.org](http://simpsonhousing.org)

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**Use this tool to plan your Simpson volunteer activities.**

Refer to [simpsonhousing.org](http://simpsonhousing.org) and the 36 Ways page to find other volunteer activities. Select one or two activities for each month.

# 2020

## JANUARY

 Sign up to serve a meal at the shelter during the 2020 year.

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## FEBRUARY

 Attend a Children and Youth Services session and learn how you can volunteer as a mentor or tutor.

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## MARCH

 Have a coffee drive and donate coffee to the shelter.

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## APRIL

 Invite your friends to make popcorn and enjoy a video night at home. Donate what you would have spent on a movie out at a theater.

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## MAY

 Attend Art 4 Shelter on May 13.

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## JUNE

 Make Welcome Home Baskets.

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## JULY

 Donate to the Tools for School backpack program and help students have a great start to their school year.

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## AUGUST

 Attend a Children and Youth session and learn how you can volunteer as a mentor or tutor.

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## SEPTEMBER

 Make sandwiches and bag lunches for men and women staying at the shelter.

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## OCTOBER

 Check out our urgently needed supply list. Lead a supply drive or purchase items to donate.

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## NOVEMBER

 Make a gift to Simpson on **Give to the Max Day**.

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## DECEMBER

 Attend the Memorial March on December 17<sup>th</sup>.

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**Devote time to talk about your service activity and its impact on your values, beliefs, and actions.**

Use the following questions to guide your thoughts or conversation with a friend or family member.



**For youth and adults:**

1. What is gratitude? Why is it helpful to express gratitude?
2. What is the greatest gift you've ever received or given to another person?
3. What did you find most meaningful about your service experience?
4. What values, opinions, and beliefs were changed through service?
5. How were you challenged by service?
6. What are some needs in our community? How is Simpson addressing those needs?
7. What are other ways you could help people who are experiencing homelessness?
8. Why are volunteers needed in the community?
9. What would you like to change about our community? About society?
10. What would you like your children, colleagues, and friends to understand about homelessness and the importance of volunteering?
11. What resources are missing from Simpson? How can we work together to provide these resources?
12. What new questions do you have?

**For children:**

1. What does it mean to feel thankful?
2. What or who are you most thankful for?
3. What is the most special gift you've ever received?
4. What is the most special gift you've ever given?
5. How did this service project change the way you feel about what is important?
6. How did you help other people through your service project?
7. What are other ways you could help people who are experiencing homelessness?
8. What are some ways that you can help your family? Your school? People in our community?
9. Why are volunteers needed in the community?
10. What new questions do you have?

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