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Volunteer Resource Guide

Produced by the   
Kyle Area Youth Advisory Council   
(KAYAC)

This Volunteer Resource Guide is a product of the Kyle Area Youth Advisory Council (KAYAC). We hope it will provide useful information to those seeking to give of themselves to their community through volunteer service.

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About KAYAC: The Kyle Area Youth Advisory Council, created by Kyle City Council in 2013, is comprised of high school students who learn about municipal government. Each year they conduct a capstone project of benefit to their community. This guide was the students’ project for the 2018-19 year. To learn more about KAYAC, visit our website: <https://www.cityofkyle.com/communications/kyle-area-youth-advisory-council-kayac>.

# Austin Angels

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| Description:Support children and their foster families with monthly gifts, relationship-building interactions, and mentoring.  Requirements: A one-year commitment.  Information: 512-312-4500, [info@austinangels.com](mailto:info@austinangels.com)  9901 Brodie Lane Suite 160 PMB 255 Austin, Texas  [www.austinangels.com /](https://www.austinangels.com/) |  | |  | | --- | | https://lh5.googleusercontent.com/8jlnFxxAVHBp-kU1e_43p9X6QFWd4NfHdeGZGRGGM66Hpt1qHv3nh6GKu8MtJpVy8sbFwy5Bd0GimJVa7j0wdmScbgEfMDYRCVmy-QfC2oIPHB90E__-1YuoqOIyHGwaiu7ENZj1 | |  | |  | |  | |

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| AWARE (Always Wanted a Riding Experience)  Description: Help with care of therapeutic horses, leading horses during instruction, and/or assisting riders in classes. Two-hour orientation provided for new volunteers.  Requirements: N/A Information: 512-754-6773  1708 Centerpoint Road, San Marcos, Texas |  |  |
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| Alzheimer’s Association of Central Texas Description: Volunteers help to plan and organize events to raise awareness and funds for Alzheimer’s care, support, and research. Two major events are the annual Walk to End All Walks, and The Longest Day at summer’s solstice.  Requirements: N/A Information: 512-361-5239  5508 Highway 290 West, Suite 206,  Austin, Texas  www.alz.org/texascapital |  | https://lh3.googleusercontent.com/F1XZaK6WWMI8R7G5tBlY3ZmHYia_qi_0n7ipLNldZEr8wNBbm1y1yfksc_irK4fnlycXkYv-pR4d-2qbRHEhzUoqeMLiLVACMHuqGpkDSRF2Wr3dOTd1yXSSVKH4lWHNAJ9HYjmn |

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| Dreams of Hope Ranch Description: Help special needs teens and adults reach their potential and achieve desires by helping with day camps, athletic skill building, Special Olympics training, and fundraisers. Volunteers also can help with facilities development and maintenance.  Requirements: N/A Information: 512-312-9002 16250 Oak Grove Road, Buda, Texas  [www.dreamofhopesranch.org](http://www.dreamofhopesranch.org) |  | https://lh3.googleusercontent.com/2ks62-ORRZ_FMkVOxxoczBVq5aWgqPVHHZoByt3zxv19XSBBeDxVKdliViOATlbaJPpDZa6AvA9TDVB8BKLWTyrhjCxjvHNJvpZZT2nVbOYvD0mafembS_XLgmcFBDiHYSMd3v_z |
| Easter Seals Description: Volunteers help with special events and fundraisers, clerical duties, camp and the gala committee as well as several other event committees.  Requirements: Under age 18 must be accompanies by a parent or guardian. Must register as an Easter Seals volunteer.  Information: 512-478-2581 Cross Park Dr., Ste. 120 Austin, Texas  <http://www.centraltx.easterseals.com/> |  | https://lh6.googleusercontent.com/Um0SW-cI3SNb6lyyD1qOK3R7nh4YuO8udKx5-8x_y2SsOccedJ97Ph0NUtuJuRfdzp4nbF9qCqQGID9maGpzzLNAedCq5e-OWqjyP9gGbCPpqigFtXKURnHvEOXzITXaMMLwstUC |
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| Helping Hand Home for ChildrenDescription: Volunteers read to children, help with homework, or lead and assist games and activities.Requirements: Organization accepts volunteer applications two times a year, complete application and background check. Must be a minimum of 18 years of age. Information: 512-600-6053 3804 Avenue B, Austin, Texas <http://www.helpinghandhome.org> |  | https://lh6.googleusercontent.com/xnRjoxx2rLpq1VrhS5phH3buAV1_wSuw237pVn8t-hql3mfn9c0HmLkkbbfvZiS3LD0jotLvhCYAyPY0fAWolbYiKAv-dvfucXUFUsxa0Hn4CBqGqJyLRRtMAUawuGCGTCgihDzC |
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| Habitat for HumanityDescription: Volunteers will work as a team to build or repair a home for a family of need in the Central Texas area. Youth volunteers will learn about affordable home opportunities and gain leadership skills.Requirements: Volunteers of older than 16 and of all abilities are accepted. Must register and have a liability waiver signed if a minor Information: 512-754-8142 San Marcos P.O. Box 1594, San Marcos  [www.habitatforhumanitysanmarcos.org](http://www.habitatforhumanitysanmarcos.org) |  | https://lh5.googleusercontent.com/9uBqh5x37C7oP4_vAHgXbMbn8wvfR6VnjD-4PovQ54fgxMvqLrSPuBTnyiQ8uKwqlDLj5gIVadotVsBwBBbxnWPjTivkGnikLo7k01YQ_2NvmiyMHbts-cQzRakNNO5vin3s0QXo |

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| Hays County Food Bank Description: There are many people in need of food across Hays county, so Hays County Food Bank makes collects and delivers food to those in need.  Requirements: If you are under the age of 18 will require the approval of the parent/guardian in the form of an additional Volunteer Liability Waiver form Information: 512-392-8300, ext. 222 220 Herndon St., San Marcos, Texas  www.haysfoodbank.org |  | https://lh4.googleusercontent.com/HPUn2oa3QL0xQP02hrpa-TMTfDKYhRpjFSzWcpFkrwYFDmzC3qSvd-X58iApSKs6uiyBImodKACBdQGxaHd2extxys309y7wkD83vpNezwePHrJjWVZLqNERdMd-zY6ieZcgyERB |

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| Hope and Love 4 Kids Description: Helping children in the Hays County area.  Requirements: N/A.  Information: (512) 585-1726 108 S Burleson St., Kyle, Texas  [http://hopeandlove4kids.org](http://hopeandlove4kids.org/) |  | A drawing of a person  Description automatically generated |
| Kyle Public Library Description: Typical projects include shelving, shelf-reading, book processing, general cleaning of collection items, fixtures and library grounds.  Requirements: Hays County Resident, 17+ unless accompanied by a legal guardian.  Fill out and submit application.  Information: 512-268-7411 550 Scott St, Kyle, Texas  <http://www.centraltx.easterseals.com/> |  | https://lh6.googleusercontent.com/6ovm2t_o15SskIYABa75k_2ykIfupzMaQOKCG0g_GLCcuq669D4eGUVMCrsuDq9FJwy6t3xRYpVoj1EqkloVmh4AgF0c3eBocQSmBXOIim0dF0ANEIrv37eLZJOhKKkPlkPs0bok |

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| Marbridge Description: Marbridge has many opportunities to volunteer for all ages.  Requirements: N/A Information: 512.282.1144 512.282.3723  PO Box 2250 2310 Bliss Spillar Road Manchaca, Texas 78652  www.marbridge.org |  | https://lh4.googleusercontent.com/dOx1qXqixCJD6pSdZtowF20BUDLq-BwIeJxYG65-Mu1i3qK2mkV-Zlf6d7lOygugxwmA2f9zR-pJtBTveE7lH5zEwhmkByDjKmIIm8VvmzcojSnV_rCCEvulQwGud0rXLXcThBQs | |

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| PAWS Description: Volunteers can help with data entry, dog walking, animal enrichment, photography and more.  Requirements: Submit a PAWS Volunteer Application, which includes signing a Volunteer Agreement and a Release and Waiver of Liability form. Must read handbook and attend orientation. Those age 12-16 must have a parent or guardian present at all times.  Information: 512-268-1611 500 FM 150 East Kyle, Texas 78640  https://pawsshelter.org/volunteer/ |  | |  |

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| Salvation Army of San Marcos Description: Serves Hays County in a variety of ways, including providing clothing, housewares, school supplies and emergency response. Volunteer opportunities include ringing the red kettle bell during the holidays and handling clothing at the San Marcos service center.  Requirements: N/A Information: 512-754-8541 300 CM Allen Parkway, San Marcos, Texas  [www.salvationarmytexas.org](http://www.salvationarmytexas.org) |  | **https://lh5.googleusercontent.com/MuRiJL8gA6H9J-VgriYMyEnWb6PmgOu1JL96cVfYFm7IyTplYA9pB1z1TQ01wG1VBr44Q1MPPpgFEvgWIi7CB4bux1vybxBFNMidZgEQsldLxjITWOYwUnapSXpIE-vAZm_FN0u1** |
|  |  | San Marcos Greenbelt Alliance  Description: The Alliance iscreating an interconnected system of parks and natural areas in and around San Marcos. Volunteers can help with trail work; restoration and natural area monitoring; outreach efforts including social media support and hikes; working with community leaders and landowners; and administrative activities**.**  Requirements: N/A  Information: 512-392-7457107 E. Hopkins St., Ste. 123 A, San Marcos, Texas[www.smgreenbelt.org](http://www.smgreenbelt.org) |
| San Marcos River Foundation Description: Volunteer opportunities include helping care for and plant cypress trees on the riverbanks and maintaining a ring of fencing around them to protect the trees from beavers and vandalism. Volunteers can also plant native flora on riverbanks to hold the soil in place and provide food for wildlife. Cleanups of litter in the parks and along tributaries are regularly scheduled and need many volunteers.  Requirements: N/A Information: 512-787-6392  222 W. San Antonio St.,  San Marcos, Texas  [www.sanmarcosriver.org](http://www.sanmarcosriver.org) |  | https://lh3.googleusercontent.com/p9j2c8gShLrcOJy4Bj2Acqwc82ROmih_Z-CymzMpWlO4hNv0Z0zK1L9odKkJqfq1Fz6-o-m-IluCY-odAhJ6MOuXNjWmXCl1AoaeX0XusfW1KGd8xRkUZtpwEFnMiE-D6kjEOtTp |
| San Marcos Youth Service Bureau Description: YSB focuses on service projects, life skills and educational workshops inside the program’s facility and in the community.  Volunteers are needed to work alongside youth in activities, demonstrate good citizenship and model positive behaviors as youth are engaged in all aspects of learning and in volunteer work.  Requirements: Ages 11-17.  Information: 512-396-5437  518 S. Guadalupe St. San Marcos, Texas  [www.ysb.org](http://www.ysb.org) |  | https://lh3.googleusercontent.com/nRt3V_HGgMw37HPgpUylluZWmNKGYtwHyXyG6N4XwyWTUBWFg-vOugU_hRTGjr3EWjTOYmKeI3b8LxEp_s1ho3ZjNXOVWmP0VoivTbsXY8al15uP7y-vCTOSd6BgkAxHpfLvoKMn |

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| Women of Unity Description: A nonprofit organization of women that work to do great things in the community. For the “Be a Blessing” project, in which they provide gifts/toys to families with children that have special needs, volunteers can pass out flyers, collect toys/gifts, and gather family such as address, ages, contact number, and any special wishes.  Requirements: N/A Information: 512-749-6071 P.O Box 2733  Kyle, Texas  womenofunity2015@yahoo.com |  | | https://lh4.googleusercontent.com/pxICIf4XLUOTXbEc7hYZJxuA078GQKuGCoika8RgI6kM4Kv5zXR4s95H5zS6Vldq-BAc8fgYEsg4T7rNbXCpUhVKfssmQrsRcvgKujNju8AemD-3vZZ-EjN_L36g3Ezm6avs5Znv |

Seasonal / Event Opportunities

**Pie in the Sky Hot Air Balloon Festival**

Description: A hot air balloon festival taking place each   
Labor Day weekend in Kyle, Texas. Volunteers help with   
vendors, balloonists, ticketing, parking and kids zone.

Requirements: Must be in ninth grade or older.

Information: Email Kathy or Lauren,   
[kroecker@cityofkyle.com](mailto:kroecker@cityofkyle.com) or [llyons@cityofkyle.com](mailto:llyons@cityofkyle.com)   
www.kyletxpieinthesky.com

  
**Kyle Blue Santa**

Description: Kyle Police Employees Association,  
 in conjunction with the Kyle Citizens Police Academy   
Alumni Association, collect new toys and monetary   
donations to purchase bikes. They then wrap and distribute   
the gifts to local children in need.

Requirements: N/A   
Information: contact@kpea.us

<https://m.kpea.us/Blue-Santa.html>