# 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

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

9901 Brodie Lane Suite 160 PMB 255 Austin, Texas

www.austinangels.com /





**Churches of Greater Austin Bringing Hope into Crisis** 

# Austin Disaster Relief Network

Description: This network of Christian churches trains volunteers to participate in bringing emotional, physical, and spiritual relief to disaster survivors to help them rebuild their lives and homes.

Requirements: Must wear long pants; hard soled boots and hat required.

Information: 512-428-6322, admin@adrntx.org 1122 East 51st St., Austin, Texas 78723 https://adrn.org

#### **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



# 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





## Buda Public Library

Description: Help with a variety of library activities that may involve books, computers, and people of all ages. Volunteer directly through the library, or with Friends of the Library or the city's library commission.

Requirements: Fill out and submit application. Must be 13 years or older. No cell phones or mp3 players allowed while volunteering.

Information: 512-295-5899

Buda, TX 78610 www.budalibrary.org

# 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



#### 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/





# Hays-Caldwell Women's Center

Description: Volunteers support the Women's Shelter by assisting in activities like office work, landscaping, group activities, and more.

Requirements: Volunteers must attend a training session.

Information: 512-396-4357 https://www.hcwc.org/

# Helping Hand Home for Children

Description: 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



### Habitat for Humanity

Description: 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





## Hands of Hope

Description: Provides education in subjects including math, English and Bible study, as well as careerreadiness training for women of all ages in Hays County. Volunteers can help teach classes, provide child care and serve meals.

Requirements: N/A

Information: 512-618-0723

325 W. McCarty Lane, San Marcos, Texas

www.handsofhopesanmarcos.org

## 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



# 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



# 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/





# Kyle Historic Train Depot

Description: Volunteers assist in giving tours of the depot and providing information to visitors.

Requirements: Volunteers must attend a training session.

Front Street Kyle, Texas

Information: 512-262-3981 www.cityofkyle.com

# 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





#### Meals on Wheels

Description: Volunteers pick-up nutritious meals during lunchtime Monday - Friday and hand-deliver them directly to the homes of seniors and persons with disabilities.

Requirements: Turn in a completed Volunteer Registration Form; a copy of current Driver's License, a valid inspection sticker, and up-to-date liability insurance coverage on vehicle, as required by the Texas Department of Public Safety. Participate in a MOWCTX volunteer training session and/or view the MOWCTX training video.

#### Verification checks:

- Criminal Background History
- Department of Aging and Disability Services Nurse Aide Registry
- o Department of Aging and Disability Service
- Employee Misconduct Registry
- National Sex Offender Registry

Information: 512-476-6325

email@mealsonwheelscentraltexas.org

https://www.mealsonwheelscentraltexas.org

#### **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/



### 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





#### San Marcos Greenbelt Alliance

Description: The Alliance is creating 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: 512-392-7457 107 E. Hopkins St., Ste. 123 A, San Marcos, Texas

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



# 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





### Southside Community Center

Description: helping those in poverty in Hays County since 1927. The organization provides a family homeless shelter and after-school programs for youth and assists those living in poverty with rent and utility bill payments, housing rehabilitation and senior housing. The community center is accepting volunteers for the thrift store and for administrative work at the organization's office. Volunteers can also serve dinner to those in need. Dinner preparation typically begins at 3 p.m., and dinner is served from 5-7 p.m. daily.

Requirements: N/A

Information: 512-392-6694 518 S. Guadalupe St. San Marcos, Texas

www.southsidecommunitycenter.org

### 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



## 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 or 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

