

Volunteer Louisiana

2016-17 Volunteer Generation Fund Grantees



2016-17 VGF Funded Projects

All Hands Volunteers

All Hands will recruit 1,000 volunteers between November 1, 2016 and September 1, 2017 to provide rebuilding services to those affected by the 2016 flood in Ascension, East Baton Rouge and Livingston Parishes. These services include installing building materials, painting, and cleaning affected areas. Funding may be spent on food and water for volunteers, shower trailer rental, cleaning supplies, first aid supplies, tools and building materials. (January – June 2017)

Allen and Evangeline Parish 4H

Allen and Evangeline Parish 4H will engage 300 volunteers for two youth camps. Volunteers will mentor and present topics on art, civic leadership, social etiquette, emergency services in the community, hospital and parish service providers, as well as financial literacy.

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Acadiana

Acadiana Bigs will recruit long term volunteers in St. Landry and Evangeline Parishes. Additionally, they will develop recruiting materials including a video PSA, brochures, branded electronic newsletter and graphics for promotion on social media throughout their service area. (November 2016 – August 2017)

Capital Area United Way

CAUW will recruit 40 volunteers to support a Day of Caring in Donaldsonville. The event will engage 200 to 400 community members in preventative health care, health screenings, physical activities, healthy eating and educational resources. (February 2017)

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Baton Rouge

Habitat for Humanity will recruit 3,500 volunteers to rebuild 65 homes in Ascension, East Baton Rouge and Livingston parishes that were affected by the 2016 flooding between November 1, 2016 and September 1, 2017. Volunteer activities will be supported by food, water, safety equipment, personal protective equipment, and cleaning supplies. (November 2016 – August 2017)

HandsOn New Orleans

HandsOn New Orleans will recruit 300 volunteers to assist those affected by the 2016 floods and rebuild houses in Livingston and Tangipahoa parishes. Volunteers will replace flooring, cabinetry, sheet rock, paint and light carpentry. (November 2016 – August 2017)

IMPACT Lake Charles AmeriCorps

IMPACT will host multiple community outreach days for vulnerable populations project, including homeless and foster children. The events will include distribution personal/household cleaning items for participants, art and healthy future initiatives for kids, and a volunteer appreciation banquet. (December 2016 – July 2017)

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Keep Louisiana Beautiful

KLB will engage 2,500 volunteers and affiliates in 24 parishes in the annual Leaders Against Litter (LAL) Campaign and Great American Cleanup. LAL will promote litter abatement and education service opportunities with the support of local elected officials. Great American Cleanup activities will take place from March through May 2017. (March 2017 – May 2017)

Love Acadiana

Love Acadiana will engage 200 volunteers to complete the renovation of 10 houses in Acadiana that were affected by the 2016 floods. Rebuilding services include painting and installation of sheetrock. (December 2016-February 2017)

LSU C-CELL

C-Cell will engage 130 volunteers in a complete redesign and construction of an East Baton Rouge public school playground. Additionally, volunteers will make improvements to flood damaged playgrounds at Glen Oaks Park, Greenbrier, Park Forest, Howell Park, Claiborne, Twin Oaks, Sharon Hills, Villa Del Rey, River Oaks and Brownfields Elementary School. (August 15-31, 2017)

Mid-City Redevelopment Alliance

MCRA will support volunteers in need of housing while serving in the Baton Rouge area after disasters. MCRA will recruit 50 volunteers to develop a volunteer bunkhouse on their campus in Mid-City. The housing will be utilized by approximately 2,000 volunteers during the life of the grant. Volunteers housed at the Baton Rouge facility will serve in recovery efforts from the 2016 floods with Long Term Recovery nonprofits. (November 2016 – August 2017)

NetWork Volunteers

Network Volunteers will engage 3,500 volunteers in Spirit of Service 2017 in the Center City neighborhood of New Orleans. Volunteers will be divided up among various community improvement project in Central City neighborhood (New Orleans) to provide community improvements, as well as serve at projects hosted at the New Orleans Convention Center. (March 31, 2017)

NOLA TREE Project

The NOLA TREE Project will recruit 1,000 volunteers through its NOLA Builds partnership with HandsOn New Orleans & United Way of Southeast LA. These volunteers will rebuild housing affected by the 2016 flooding in Tangipahoa Parish. (November 2016 – August 2017)

Ouachita Green

Ouachita Green will engage 75 volunteers in a Household Hazardous Waste collection day in Ouachita Parish. Volunteers will help collect household hazardous waste from the community such as paint, used oil, used flammables, car batteries, waste tires, etc. for proper disposal and to keep them out of landfills (April 2017)

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The Presbytery of South LA Disaster Response

The Presbytery will support volunteer in need of housing throughout south Louisiana. PDR will purchase bed frames, beds, and linens and shower trailer rental at to house volunteers at three locations (Hammond, Baton Rouge and Lafayette). This will allow for housing of 450 volunteers who will be taking part in Recovery efforts from the 2016 flooding. (November 2016 – August 2017)

Rebuilding Together Acadiana

RTA will engage 500 volunteers in recovery efforts in the Lafayette area. Volunteers will take part in insulating, window replacement, sheet rock installation, painting, cabinetry, weatherization, roof repair/replacement, bathroom accessibility modifications, and flooring and trim work in homes affected by the 2016 floods. (November 2016 – August 2017)

Rebuilding Together New Orleans

RTNO will recruit and train 100 volunteers to provide rebuilding services to homes affected by the 2016 flood events in the Livingston Parish area. Service include, but are not limited to installing building materials, drywall, paint, and flooring. (November 2016 – August 2017)

Shreveport Green

Shreveport Green will engage 60 volunteers to construct two wheelchair ramps for individuals with disabilities in the Shreveport area. Volunteers will utilize best practices in constructing the ramps to ensure safe and independent access to homes by the owners. (January 28, February 18 and March 8, 2017)