



NYC Lifestyle

July 3, 2024

Summer of Service

If you're looking for opportunities to give back to your community, New York City offers countless ways to contribute. This week's NYC Lifestyle highlights volunteer programs and events you can take part in this summer.

Habitat for Humanity

[Habitat for Humanity](#) assists in building and repairing affordable homes for families in need. No construction experience is required to participate, and all necessary tools and training are provided on-site.

Reading Partners

[Reading Partners](#) connects children at under-resourced schools in NYC with reading tutors that can offer individualized support for one hour per week throughout the upcoming 2024-2025 school year. Volunteers must pass a background check and attend orientation.

GrowNYC

[GrowNYC](#) hosts open-air produce markets throughout the city to support local farmers. Volunteers take part in setup, bagging, and customer service at these markets. Orientation is required to participate.

Housing Works

[Housing Works](#) supports those affected by HIV/AIDS and homelessness using funds generated at their nonprofit businesses in Manhattan and Brooklyn. Volunteers can sign up for shifts at one of their [thrift shops](#) or their [bookstore café](#), and must commit to one four-hour shift per week for at least six months.



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Citymeals on Wheels

[Citymeals on Wheels](#) delivers food to homebound seniors in all five boroughs. You can help by packaging and delivering meals, or by checking in on recipients through weekly phone calls. Volunteers must apply to participate and attend orientation.

Win

[Win \(Women in Need\)](#) provides housing, education, and childcare to women and children experiencing homelessness. Their summer program, Camp Win, welcomes volunteers to facilitate fun activities for kids. Orientation is required.

City Parks Foundation

City Parks Foundation, known for hosting arts and education programs in NYC parks, created the [It's My Park](#) program to revitalize green spaces through cleaning, painting, and gardening. Advance registration is required to volunteer for some dates.

New York Cares

[New York Cares](#) is the city's largest volunteer organization, offering a variety of projects across the five boroughs. From tutoring students to cleaning up parks and delivering meals, there's something for everyone.