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2023 Community
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# ABOUT US

The Center for Community
Engagement and Service (CCES)
is AU's hub for community
outreach, volunteering and
service-learning opportunities
in Washington, DC and beyond.

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# OUR PROGRAMS

#### CSLP

The Community Service-Learning Program (CSLP) allows undergraduate students to earn an additional pass/fail credit on a course of their choice through service to a local organization whose mission connects with their coursework. Through careful reflection and mentorship, CSLP enriches the student learning experience and strengthens the local community.



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### COMMUNITY-BASED COURSES

Want to go beyond the classroom and get hands-on experience practicing what you learn? Filter by Community-Based on Eagle Service when registering!



Janay Morant

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The Washington Nationals Youth Baseball Academy (Academy), the signature program of Washington Nationals Philanthropies (WNP), uses baseball and softball as vehicles to foster positive character development, academic achievement, and improved health among youth living in communities with high rates of poverty. The Academy's BASE Program provides District of Columbia youth, most of whom reside in Ward 7 or Ward 8, with a year-round, holistic, sports-based youth development experience. Program participants, referred to as Scholar Athletes, are between 7 and 14 years old and are in grades 3-8. During the school year, BASE operates during after-school hours, and, during the summer, it functions as a six-week intensive program that runs all day. We are always looking for volunteers to support our free programs both in the classroom and on the field as tutors, mentors, and on-field support. Volunteers aren't required to have any prior sports or teaching experience and we are presently looking for individuals interested in joining as part-time softball coaches, site coordinators, and summer coaching staff.



J'Reisz Garcia

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Generation Hope provides direct support to teen parents in college as well as their children through holistic, two-generation programming. We have both virtual programming and in-person opportunities that occur throughout the DMV area. We welcome students who are passionate about education access, early childhood, and working to help families and communities thrive! Some of our opportunities include: Providing virtual tutoring services in various subjects, providing career support (resume, cover letters, mock interviews), assisting with childcare at our events, and other general support. There is an opportunity that is a fit for everyone! For more information, visit www.generationhope.org/volunteer or reach out to our Volunteer Coordinator directly at jreisz@generationhope.org.

# **COMMUNITY PARTNERS**





## Zhaybel Cardenas **zhaybel.cardenas@cc-dc.org**

The SHARE Food Network is an enterprise of Catholic Charities Archdiocese of Washington. SHARE supports the development of healthier families and stronger communities by making available healthy nutritious food at a significant discount. This is achieved through high-volume purchasing and thousands of volunteer hours.

SHARE supports local community groups who believe in our mission to mitigate food insecurity, our practice of serving others, and our value of recognizing the dignity of all who participate, serve, and lead. We do so through outreach and engagement to our partners and the community at large.



# Tom Pollak Tom@dctutormentor.org

The core work of DC Tutoring & Mentoring Initiative (DCTMI) is to recruit volunteers to tutor or mentor with kids in DC as well as in the surrounding suburbs. When people sign up with us at farmers markets and other outdoor events and spaces (or through our website or other channels), we ask them when and where they'd be available to help and match them to one of our 50+nonprofit partner organizations based on these and other preferences. Beyond our concrete education and civic engagement goals, we also work to create a civic culture in the DC Metro area grounded in empathy and wisdom where we all take more responsibility for one another and our community as a whole.



Shea Lamanna

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The Tahirih Justice Center is a national, nonprofit organization that serves women, girls, and all immigrant survivors of gender-based violence. Our interdisciplinary, trauma-informed model of service combines free legal and social services with bridgebuilding policy advocacy and research-based training and education. Our programs efficiently and effectively leverage donated professional services from a vast network of attorneys, medical professionals, and other experts to serve as many immigrant survivors as possible. By amplifying the experiences of survivors in communities, courts, and Congress, Tahirih's mission is to create a world in which all people share equal rights and live in safety and with dignity. Office is located in Falls Church, VA. Opportunities for in-office and remote work.

For all volunteer opportunities visit https://www.tahirih.org/get-involved/volunteer/



Jessie Dunn

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Community of Hope's mission is to improve health and end family homelessness to make Washington, DC more equitable. University students are welcome to volunteer with Fam-Club at The Triumph, our Ward 8 family shelter. Fam-Club is a fun and meaningful way for volunteers to make a difference in the lives of young people and their families experiencing homelessness. Volunteers will lead games, do activities and make crafts with our families Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday evenings. Volunteers can come once or make a regular commitment. Please visit www.communityofhopedc.org to learn more.



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Iona is a respected nonprofit based in Northwest Washington, D.C. Our mission is to support people as they face the challenges and opportunities of aging. We educate, advocate, and provide community-based programs and services to help people age well and live well. Iona is located one block from the Tenleytown Metro. We have a supportive team, and provide students with a quality internship experience.



Valeria Souchar

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The Latino Student Fund (LSF) addresses disparities in access to education for underrepresented students in Washington, DC, and has since served more than 4,000 youth across its programs. We provide opportunities for a strong academic foundation for underserved PreK-12th grade students and their families to promote higher education and professional leadership. Through year-round, out-of-school-time programs for low-income, atrisk students and their families we can increase levels of educational attainment in the community. We are looking for volunteers to work with out after-school programs in DC High Schools.



Galilhea Calderon

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The Raising A Village Foundation is a non-profit organization, committed to providing high-quality intervention programs and community resources to children, youth, and families in the areas of education, health and wellness, and the arts. As a RAV volunteer, you'll not only make an impact in the lives of the communities you serve, but you'll also grow as an individual. RAV Volunteers serve as tutors and mentors, also known as Driven Student Guides, to K-8 students. Become a difference maker with RAV today and join us in our effort to improve community conditions!



#### David Murray

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The School of Education is excited to offer a reading tutoring program for elementary students in DC Public and DC Public Charter partner schools (Hendley ES and Perry Street Prep PCS). We are using the Reading Ready program for tutoring - https://www.readingrescue.org/reading-ready-3. You will receive training on the Reading Ready program in January 2022. The schools are offering tutoring times Monday - Friday. We encourage you to commit to two 60 minute tutoring sessions two times per week. You will be compensated for your tutoring time at the rate of \$22 per hour and provided with a Lyft pass for travel.



#### Gabby Deutsch

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My Sister's Place (MSP) shelters, supports, and empowers survivors of domestic violence and their children, while providing leadership and education to build a supportive community. MSP is unique in offering a continuum of care from emergency shelter through transitional-to-permanent housing and beyond. Our experienced team of case managers and residential counselors provide clinical counseling, case management, and comprehensive services to empower survivors to recover and thrive. MSP also provides training, case consultation, and advocacy to engage communities in proactively preventing violence and abuse. Please visit our website at mysistersplacedc.org for volunteer opportunities and other ways to get involved.



#### Alyssa Jellenik

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Reading Partners is a national nonprofit aiming to turn young students into life long readers. We are looking for volunteers to partner with us in tutoring our students for at least one hour a week.



#### Jo Pressimone

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PALS creates inclusive camp experiences for people with and without Down syndrome. Our volunteer-led programs change attitudes, transform lives, and inspire a world of belonging. Our week-long programs feature 1:1 pairings of a Partner with Down syndrome and a Peer without Down syndrome. This summer, our 19 programs across the country will participate in field trips, dance parties, karaoke, beach time, and the iconic PALS Olympics. The friendships made during PALS last a lifetime. The application for Peers for Summer 2023 can be found at palsprograms.org/summer-2023.



#### Yaritza Abrego

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Washington English Center (WEC), a DC-based nonprofit organization, is looking for volunteers to teach English to immigrants and refugees! Join our community of over 350 volunteers to teach either online or in person in downtown DC. No prior experience is required, as you will be paired with a coteacher and receive training and support from our staff, however, you must speak fluent English. You can also sign up to substitute teach or to be an online conversation or writing tutor. We are happy to work with your schedule! WEC serves several hundred adult language learners, including many recently resettled refugees from Afghanistan, Ukraine, and Venezuela. As a WEC volunteer, you'll have the opportunity to be exposed to new cultures, attend free teacher training, and meet like-minded people at volunteer social events throughout the term. ESOL Group classes start January 17th and run through March 30th, 2023 but tutoring sessions happen on a rolling basis. If you are interested in signing up, please visit our website at https://www.washingtonenglish.org/volunteers/. Once completed, a team member will reach out to you.



Luis Alvarado

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CARECEN is a non-profit, community-based organization, which provides legal, social service, educational, housing, and civic education programs for the Central American/Latino communities in the Washington metropolitan area. Founded in 1981, our team works to protect the rights of refugees arriving from conflict in Central America and to help ease their transition by providing legal services. The migration legal services program provides low-income immigrants in the Washington metropolitan area with low or no cost, quality bilingual legal assistance with a variety of immigration matters, including citizenship, permanent residence, family petitions, temporary protected status (TPS) and renewal of work authorization documents. Citizenship and Civic Participation program (CCP) works to empower the Central American and LatinX community of the Washington metropolitan area by providing a fully integrated educational program which guides aspiring citizens through the naturalization process. We welcome all students, especially those interested in learning more about immigration law, and those who'd like to be more involved in the Spanish-speaking community!



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Horton's Kids is a DC-based nonprofit that empowers children growing up in Southeast DC so that they can graduate from high school ready for success in college, career, and life. We provide wrap-around support to 600 children and families living in neighborhoods that have been profoundly impacted by decades of disinvestment and barriers to opportunity. We're looking for weekly volunteer tutors to support our in-person after school programs! Volunteers make a long-lasting impact on the children they serve. Interested tutors can read the full requirements and apply on our website: https://www.hortonskids.org/get-involved/academic-vols/



Samantha Stevens

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Hope Multiplied is a purpose driven organization that seeks to joyfully meet the individualized needs of the local community in the D.C. Metro area and beyond. We have many volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups in DC & Arlington areas.



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Rachel Angle

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At Martha's Table, we believe that every Washingtonian deserves the opportunity to thrive. We stand firmly alongside Washingtonians day-in and day-out on both sides of the Anacostia River by operating nationally accredited education programs, pairing healthy food access with physical and mental health services, and promoting family success by investing in family leaders. We rely on the support of volunteers like you to help us stand alongside our neighbors. In particular, we hope that you can join us for our Joyful Food Markets this upcoming school year. In partnership with the Capital Area Food Bank and DC Health, Martha's Table hosts over 50 no-cost food markets at schools in wards 7 and 8. Learn more about how to sign up at marthastable.volunteerhub.com.



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The LAYC Career Academy provides DC youth ages 16-24 years with access to educational opportunities according to their interests and needs, including a rigorous and flexible GED program, a college transition program, and career preparation in healthcare and information technology fields. We can use volunteers on weekdays between the hours of 9am-3pm to tutor students in reading and math or assist with college/career preparation activities. Volunteers must pass a police background check & Child Protection Clearance.