Central Mississippi Hub for Volunteers & Nonprofits

Holiday Giving Guide

2021
Central Mississippi Friends,

Happy Holidays! As you are preparing for the Holiday Season, we hope you will take a moment to view the Central Mississippi Holiday Giving Guide. This guide is full of ideas and ways to serve in your local community throughout the Holiday Season. Nonprofit Organizations from across the Central Mississippi Region have provided wish lists and volunteer opportunities for community members to participate in. Our hope at the Central Mississippi Hub for Volunteers and the MS Alliance of Nonprofits and Philanthropy is for this guide to be used as a tool for volunteers and nonprofits to make connections with one another that will go beyond the Holiday Season and throughout the year!

There is a place for everyone to help this Holiday Season. Be sure to check out our website centralmshub.com for an ever growing list of Volunteer Opportunities throughout the year! Happy Holidays and Happy Serving!

-Jamie Beatty  
Central Mississippi Hub for Volunteers and Nonprofits Director  
Mississippi Alliance of Nonprofits and Philanthropy
But God Ministries
Contact: Dina Ray 601-613-5416 or dinaray@butgodministries.com
This holiday season we invite you to be a part of our work. We work in all areas of community development. You can learn more about us or make a donation at www.butgodministries.com

Community Animal Rescue and Adoption
Contact: Mathew Holmes 601-922-7575
Donate: Dry dog/puppy food, canned dog/puppy food, treats, kuranda beds, calming chews, disposable gloves (medium and large), pill pockets, toys, & You can check out the CARA Amazon Wish List for more ideas!
Volunteer: The shelter always needs volunteers to bathe and groom, socialize animals, clean kennels, and help with laundry. Potential new shelter volunteers should email holmes.matthew.r@gmail.com or cara@carams.org to schedule their first shelter volunteer day with subject: "New CARA Shelter volunteer -- your name". You must be 16 yrs old to volunteer at the shelter. A prospective volunteer who is under 18 years of age must be accompanied to orientation by a parent who can sign a permission slip for their child. Those under 16 must volunteer with a parent/guardian.
To volunteer at events or to get involved with CARA, email holmes.matthew.r@gmail.com.

Ever Reaching Community Outreach
Contact: Tammy Brun tbrun@everreaching.net
Donate: Food donations for Thanksgiving Food Boxes- canned green beans, canned corn, box mac & cheese, canned cranberry sauce, ham, turkey, cake mixes, instant potatoes, box stuffing, canned yams
Volunteer: Volunteers are needed throughout the Holiday Season! Contact Tammy for more info!

Good Shepherd
Contact: Cindy McCarley 601-636-7687 or cindy.mccarley@goodshepherdvicksburg.org
Donate: food items and/or adopt children through Elf Magic to provide Holiday gifts to children in need; monetary donations may be mailed to PO Box 8115, Vicksburg, MS 39181
Volunteer: Help bag food from 8am-12pm & 1pm-3pm daily the week of November 12th, help with registration for Elf Magic Tuesdays and Thursday in November from 10am-12pm & 1pm-3pm (629 Cherry St., Vicksburg, MS 39181) Call to sign up to volunteer.

Grace House MS
Contact: Stacy Howard showard@gracehousems.org or 601-353-1038
Donate: Household items used by clients: paper towels, toilet paper, laundry detergent, cleaning supplies, garbage bags Items used by organization to provide care to the client: twin sheets, twin blankets, towels, pillows, giftcards (Kroger, Walmart, or Homedepot)
Gifts for the clients for Christmas: socks, underwear sweatshirts, small electronics, Walmart of visa giftcards in $10-$25 amounts
To help provide a holiday meal to the clients: Turkeys, hams, sweet potatoes, canned green beans, flour, meal, brown sugar, butter, sugar, cream of musroom soup, cream of chicken soup, cooking oil, tin foil, disposable baking pans, Kroger giftcards
Mailing Address: PO Box 68924, Jackson, MS 39286-8924
Physical Address: 236 Millsaps Ave, Jackson, MS 39202
Keep Byram Beautiful
Contact: Diandra Hosey dhosey@byram-ms.us
Volunteer: Open opportunities- contact Diandra for more info
Donate: Contact Angelan Richburg, City of Byram City Clerk 601-372-7746

Keep The Rez Beautiful
Contact: Jeannine May 601-421-6160 or Jeannine.b.may@gmail.com
Volunteer: Help pick up trash, work in flower beds, planting, and many other projects along the Reservoir to keep this area beautiful. There is a place for everyone to serve along the Rez!

Mississippi Cultural Crossroads
Contact: Felicia Harried feliciaharried@yahoo.com
Volunteer: Volunteer to help around the office, assist with the end-of-year giving campaign, handyman skills, other office work-remote options available!
Donate: Upgrade heat/air units, upgrade laptops, art supplies (paper, cardstock, craft paint, yarn, scissors, etc.), van or small bus in good condition

Mississippi Symphony Orchestra
Contact: Arlette Thompson 601-502-6788 or arlettethompson3@gmail.com
Volunteer: Serve as an Usher during The Nutcracker Performances December 3rd-5th

Operation Shoestring
Contact: Tolanda Jones tjones@operationshoestring.org
Donate: Sponsor a child for Christmas to provide gifts
Volunteer: Help out by working the Angel Tree Toy Drive December 16th and 17th; Volunteer with the after school program and host Holiday activities for students aged K-5

Pretty Kitty TNR
Contact: Carollyn Henry 601-618-1951 or ktnr@prettykittytnr.org
5860 N Commerce Plaza Dr. Jackson, MS 39206
Wishlist: Donations of cat toys, cat towers, scratching posts, beds, fleece throw blankets, canned kitten pro-plan (liver or chicken), purina kitten chow, pet ag kitten formula
Volunteer: Volunteers are needed to spend time playing with kittens, examine kittens, medicate kittens, feed/water/clean/ and scoop up after kitties.

REAL (Rural Education and Leadership Christian Foundation, Inc.
Contact: Chanda Roby 601-932-1101 or chanda@realchristianfoundation.org
Donate: Located in Richland, Mississippi, REAL is currently serving in 12 communities -located in 10 counties throughout Mississippi. During its 23-year history, REAL has given away over $1.5 million dollars in rural Mississippi. REAL receives money and support through direct mail, grant proposal awards, online giving, event sponsorship, book sales, and direct giving from people. People can give to REAL today to support its efforts toward Helping Christian Ministries Succeed by donating through REAL's website, https://realchristianfoundation.org/donate-now, or CASHApp, $REALatWork. Donors should choose/type "MSGives" in the subject or memo line for each platform, respectively.
The Good Samaritan Center
Contact: Lauren Ladner laurenladner@goodsamaritancenter.org
Donate: frozen turkeys, toys/gifts for children of all ages. Canned holiday foods (yams, cranberry sauce, pumpkin puree, etc.), warm winter clothing, financial donations can be made through PayPal (https://www.paypal.com/donate/?cmd=_s-xclick&hosted_button_id=XXZ6CPHCSUX54.)
Volunteer: 12ks for the Holidays volunteers, wrapping Christmas gifts, general volunteers in clothes closet and around center

The Salvation Army
Contact: Tina Richardson 601-982-488 ext. 117 or tina.richardson@uss.salvationarmy.org
Donate: Adopt an angel to provide Christmas gifts to based on their individual wish list, financial donations may be made through the Salvation Army website.
Volunteer: Angel Tree Toy Shop Helper, Thanksgiving Dinner Prep & Deliver, Donation Center Assistance, and Food Pantry Assistance

The Young Futurists Project
Contact: Blanche Adams badams@jacksonmedicalmall.org
Donate: Monetary gifts, school supplies, laptops, gift cards used for incentives, snacks, PPE supplies (masks, disinfectant wipes, and spray) Donations can be made through PayPal (lgreer@jacksonmedicalmall.org) The donations are to help keep our students engaged and motivate them to participate in the program.
Volunteer: We need volunteers for our after-school program. It is Monday-Thursday 3:30-6:30, we are also recruiting for our upcoming summer program in 2022. WE are still working on details of times and days of our upcoming summer program. Currently we have partnership with JPS and service students at Jim Hill, Lanier, Murrah, and Brinkley each afternoon at each school.

Wingard Home Ministry
Needs: Christmas Little Lamb Sponsorship Program & Volunteers for general and skilled labor projects.
1279 North West St. Jackson, MS 39202-2059
601-906-1979
www.wingardhome.org