



## GO Teams Guides: Bare Minimum Event Ideas

Sometimes, it's impossible for volunteer groups to plan large service events. Members may have other commitments, especially during the holidays. Unpredictable weather conditions can also limit a group's ability to volunteer. Hopefully, with this guide, your group can still be inspired to act through simpler acts of volunteerism.

### Event Suggestions

- **Give time.** Donate time to volunteer at a local organization or institution. Participation can be for a few hours each month. Examples include food banks, libraries, nursing homes, animal shelters/sanctuaries, museums, and shelters.
- **Help your neighbor.** Sometimes, the people who need help are right next door. Offer to help your older neighbors as needed (fix something around the house, mow their lawn, take them to the grocery store, etc.). If a neighbor is going through a rough time, offer to prepare them a home-cooked meal. Make sure to first ask about any dietary restrictions or food allergies.
- **Donate.** Ask members to bring items to group meetings to be donated to local organizations. For example, over the winter months, collect winter coats/boots and donate these items to a local shelter. Give old books (in good condition) to the library or to a local charity. Have each member bring in (at least) one grocery bag of canned goods for a food bank.
- **Host a fundraiser.** Starting a fundraiser can be as easy as 1-2-3. 1. Choose a beneficiary for your fundraiser. If you have a regular volunteering commitment, that organization is a good choice. 2. Create a donation portal for your fundraiser. If you don't already have one, you can [ask GO Humanity](#) to create a unique fundraiser for you on our website. Another popular fundraiser is hosting a yard sale and donating the proceeds to a beneficiary.





## More Service Events Ideas

If your volunteer group is looking for fresh ideas or seeking to escape your service routine, check out our [resources and guides](#).

## Questions or Concerns?

If you need help with planning your event or have additional questions, the best way to contact GO Humanity is to use the [contact webform](#), which enables us to track the resolution of your question.