

# GIVE BACK WHILE YOU GATHER



Give back while you gather! There are so many ways your organization or group can give back to the community while you visit Hamilton County. From collecting items to donating time, your group can find the right match and give to the organizations that most need your assistance.

## **GIVE YOUR SUPPLIES** **ITEM COLLECTION DURING A** **CONFERENCE**

**TEACHERS TREASURES** is an organization that collects items Central Indiana's teachers need most and frequently pay from their own pockets. Attendees can bring new school supplies to the conference as a donation.

**GOOD SAMARITAN NETWORK** is a collaboration of many non-profits in Hamilton County that feeds, clothes, and cares for the less fortunate furry friends and residents in the area. Attendees can donate gas gift cards, canned food, or clothing.

**HAMILTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY** happily accepts pet food, animal toys, stainless steel water bowls and much more for this nationally acclaimed no-kill shelter.

## **GIVE YOUR TIME** **ACTIVITIES FOR SMALL GROUPS** **(1 - 50 PEOPLE)**

**AGAPE** - This therapeutic riding center needs labor assistance with landscaping, painting and cleaning projects around its facilities. Please note that all projects take place outside and materials necessary to completing the project need to be purchased by the group.

**CARMEL CLAY PARKS DEPARTMENT** - Volunteers can step outside to help make the local parks a little more beautiful. The parks department needs assistance in spreading mulch and gravel in the playground areas and trails, removing invasive species of plants from the wooded areas and prairies, and cleaning up litter.

**GOOD SAMARITAN NETWORK** - Groups can sort food, clothing, pet food, hygiene and household products. Groups can also make hygiene kits, and/or assist with distribution to families.

**HAND, INCORPORATED** - This organization works to improve the community by assisting with housing needs for low to moderate income individuals, families, and senior citizens in Hamilton County. It needs volunteers for neighborhood cleanups, common area plantings, beautification and more. Projects typically take place outdoors during the spring, summer, and fall months.

**FISHERS PARKS AND RECREATION** invites volunteers to support the vibrancy of community and parks. Fishers Parks is in need of volunteers for park and neighborhood cleanups, invasive plant removal, recreation programs, events and more.

**HAMILTON COUNTY PARKS** - With approximately 1,600 acres of park property, Hamilton County Parks has a number of projects (gardening, invasive removal, landscaping, park cleanup, park improvement, etc.) for individuals, small and large groups. Projects can be customized to align with the group's mission, interests and skills.

**NOBLESVILLE PARKS AND RECREATION** - With over 870 acres of parkland, Noblesville Parks welcomes volunteer groups to help keep city parks clean and maintained for the community to enjoy. Volunteer projects may include mulching, flowerbed cleanup or other jobs in and around city parks. Depending on the time of year, volunteers may also be needed at large community events.

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**TETER ORGANIC FARM AND FAMILY RETREAT** - Help grow organic vegetables for donation to local food pantries and maintain the natural beauty of our community spaces. We have a variety of volunteer opportunities available for all ages and skill levels. Plant seedlings, harvest vegetables, maintain walking trails, deliver donations of fresh vegetables, take care of free range chickens, and help with on farm fundraising events.

### **ACTIVITIES FOR LARGE GROUPS (51+ PEOPLE)**

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## **GIVE BACK ON YOUR SPECIAL DAY**

**INSTEAD OF GIVING A FAVOR TO GUESTS, MAKE A SMALL DONATION IN YOUR NAMES TO ONE OF THE FOLLOWING HAMILTON COUNTY CHARITIES:**

**PREVAIL** (assists victims of domestic crimes)

**HAMILTON COUNTY HUMANE SOCIETY** (nationally acclaimed no-kill animal shelter)

**JANUS DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES** (provides training and meaningful employment for cognitively challenged adults)

**MEALS ON WHEELS** (provides meals to the elderly)

**HAMILTON COUNTY PARKS DEPARTMENT** (provides free or low cost access to the outdoors)

**GOOD SAMARITAN NETWORK** (supports a variety of support initiatives for people and animals in need)

\*Brides will receive a personalized card to print out and place on the tables to notify guests of the donation.

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## **NEED DETAILS?**

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