



## CHURCH-SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS: VOLUNTEER IDEAS

Before making any decisions, we recommend that church and school leaders go through the Church-School Partnerships Action Plan to think through volunteer activities based on the goals and assets of the school and the gifts and resources of the church. Remember: The church is not coming in to “save” the school, but rather coming alongside the school in a supportive role. Encourage church volunteers to serve with students, families, and staff whenever possible.

*Have another idea? Email us and let us know – [info@lovinghouston.net](mailto:info@lovinghouston.net)*

### IDEAS BY SCHOOL NEED

#### Faculty & Staff

- Teacher Appreciation Gifts & Events
- Teacher Training Scholarships
- Staff Coffee Stations & Dessert Bars
- Workroom Volunteers
- In-Classroom Aides
- Office Help
- Library Volunteers
- Hall Monitors
- Bulletin Boards
- Set-Up/Take-Down Classrooms
- Music & Art Supplies
- Teaching Supplies

#### Students

- Mentors
- Tutors (school subjects, ESL, SAT)
- Reading Buddies
- Bus Greeters
- Field Trip Volunteers
- Career Fair Speakers
- After-School Volunteers and Snacks
- Fall Festival Help
- College Prep Help
- Weekend Meals/Lunch Account Money

- Incentive Gifts
- Educational Aids & Equipment

#### Parents & Families

- Financial Education
- Parenting & Marriage Classes
- PTO Volunteers
- Health Tips & Needs
- Food Pantry
- Clothes Closet
- Job Training
- Resume Help
- Housing Assistance
- ESL Classes
- Transportation to Appointments
- Childcare During Classes/Appointments
- Supplying Families with Lice Kits
- Toiletry Donations

#### Facilities

- Landscaping & Community Garden
- Teachers' Lounge Updates
- Sports Facilities & Building Updates
- Deep Cleaning
- Painting/Staining



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### IDEAS BY CHURCH GROUPS

#### Individuals & Groups

- Mentors
- Tutors
- Reading Buddies
- In-Classroom Assistants
- Office Help
- Library Volunteers
- Hall Monitors
- Workroom Volunteers
- Bus Greeters
- Field Trip Volunteers
- Career Fair Speakers
- Transportation to Appointments
- Money for Lunch Accounts
- Incentive Gifts

#### Small Groups

- Sponsor-a-Teacher
- Staff Coffee Stations
- After-School Program Volunteers
- After-School Program Snacks
- Weekend Meals
- School Supply Drives

### IDEAS BY CALENDAR

#### Fall

- Back-to-School Supply Drives
- New Teacher Orientation Snacks
- Classroom Set-Up Help
- Fall Festivals
- Holiday Food Drives & Programs

#### Kids Ministry

- School Supply Drives
- Teacher Appreciation Notes

#### Youth Group

- Reading Buddies
- School Supply Drives
- Set-Up/Take-Down Classrooms
- Landscaping/Gardening
- Pen Pals

#### Women's Group

- Bulletin Boards
- Workroom Volunteers
- Childcare During Classes/Appointments
- Landscaping/Gardening

#### Men's Group

- WatchDOGS Volunteers
- Set-Up/Take-Down Classrooms
- Building Fixes & Updates
- Facility Repairs & Maintenance
- Deep Cleaning
- Male mentors are in high demand!

#### Spring

- School Supply Drives
- Teacher Appreciation Month Luncheons
- Field Trip Support
- Classroom Take-Down Help
- End-of-Year Parties
- Prom and Graduation Support