

Serve United Project Guidelines

Serve United 2026 is **April 17 and 18, 2026**. **Friday** has shifts from 8:30 AM to Noon and another from 1:00 PM to 4:30 PM. **Saturday** is 8:30 AM to Noon. Your organization may submit project(s) for a single or multiple shifts, but you **MUST** have enough work for the entire time for your volunteers.

The project submission deadline is Noon CST on March 17, 2026.

Volunteer registration is from March 10 to April 9. A list will be provided to project supervisor(s) prior to the event to contact your volunteers directly if needed.

Project Supervisors will pick up an "Event Site" sign and their shirt from the United Way on April 13-15. We also ask that you share your participation in the event on social media once volunteer registration begins.

Projects MUST

- Have the points of contact listed as supervisor(s).
- Supply water for volunteers.
- Have enough work to fill the shift.
- Be for and submitted by a nonprofit.
- Be within Smith County. Projects outside of Tyler are less likely to be selected.
- Occur at one location.
- Have an indoor bad weather backup plan if outdoors.
- Provide any needed tools and materials.
- Have an organization supervisor present. This is the point of contact for United Way and Volunteers. They will receive a T-shirt to wear at the event.
- Be of service in nature. Projects cannot be fundraising or outreach.
- Receive acceptance from Serve United.

Project descriptions will be posted as submitted. Fun and engaging descriptions gain volunteers more quickly.