



Corporate Volunteer Groups

Thank you for your interest in supporting The Food Group. We cannot have any significant impact without support from groups like yours.

We host many groups at our warehouse and strive to create a welcoming environment where your group can incorporate a lunch, presentation, or meeting as part of your shift. Onsite parking and wheelchair access is available.

Attendees

Group size

- Groups of 16-24 people are ideal for most volunteer shifts.
- Groups up to 40 people can be accommodated by special arrangement or split into multiple shifts throughout the day.

Everyone is welcome. Let us know any needs or accommodations to ensure volunteers have the best experience possible.

Groups are welcome to use our space before or after a shift. We ask for a minimum 3 day notice to book extra time outside the regular shift.

Calendar

1. **Browse the VolunteerHub [calendar here](#)** to find a date that works best for your group.
2. **Email volunteer@thefoodgroupmn.org** your preferred dates or for other options.
 - **1pm – 3 pm on Wednesdays** work great for us at the New Hope warehouse.

Summer group opportunities:

- **Thursday AM** - produce gleaning at orchard and farms
- **Sunday** - food donations rescue at the Minneapolis Farmers Market on Lyndale
- **Various** – farm help at our organic farm, Big River Farms

>> For summer opportunities email Marena at mekblad@thefoodgroupmn.org



Group Registration

- After you've reserved a date for your group, we'll provide a custom group page for volunteers to sign up through their account on VolunteerHub (This allows for efficiency, automatic reminders, access to our waiver, and group tracking).
- We ask to coordinate with a single group contact.
- We can share a list of registrants to the group contact upon request. If your group size changes, we can adjust the landing page upon request.
- The event contact will receive a volunteer completion certificate for the group after the event.

Sponsored Volunteer Projects

- Your organization covers the cost for The Food Group to source the product, coordinate the packing project event at our warehouse, and delivery logistics.
- These projects are different from standard shifts and fulfill a specific and current need identified by our partners
- Sponsored Volunteer Projects require 45-60 days notice.

Current needs in our community:

Hygiene packs

- A group of 15 people can pack 550 hygiene packs in 90 minutes.
- The estimate for this type of pack is \$2500.

Kid snack packs for summer break

- Projects can vary depending on the need and we don't typically pack boxes of mixed perishables unless a specific need has been identified.
- The estimate for this type of pack \$3500 for 500 packs.

>> For sponsored project opportunities email Sean at shurdle@thefoodgroupmn.org