


Service Opportunities


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REMEMBER:

- **Direct** is “direct, face to face, interaction with and service to the poor, elderly vulnerable, and handicapped.”
- **Indirect** is help with church and other community organizations that do not involve face to face human interaction with poor, elderly, vulnerable, and handicapped

UPCOMING SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **St. Thomas More Concessions (Indirect)**
 - 12/2, 12/5, 12/18 5:15-8
 - Sign Up Here: [St. Thomas More Athletics: 2025 High School Concession Stand Sign Up](#)
- **La Posada at the Cypress Springs Mercedarian Prayer center (Indirect)**
 - Sunday December 7th 2:00 -5:00
 - Help with set up, clean up, pony ideas, crafts, serving food, guiding families, petting zoo, dressing up as characters from Frozen, or face painting.
 - If you are interested, please contact Jessica Barre at jbarre@csmmpc.org
- **All are Welcome Ministry Volunteer (Direct)**
 - Retreat-March 14, 8:30-1:30 at St. John, Prairieville
 - St. John Fair-April 25th, 12-1 at St. John, Prairieville
 - Event notification email sign up: [All Are Welcome - Volunteer email notification](#)
 - Contact Jodi Devore & Edda Dupaquier allarewelcomebrd@gmail.com
- **Beyond Gymnastics (Direct)**
 - October 26th –2 pm- 5 pm → Special Needs Resource Fair
 - Assist with games and monitoring activities
 - Weekly classes as a buddy and many other events like camps and fairs are available!
 - Sign up to volunteer here: [Beyond Gymnastics - Volunteer Interest Form](#)
- **First Saturdays with Sacred Heart!**
 - Mass–Meal–Mission
 - Join local teens every First Saturday in Mass, a Meal at the Underground Hub, and Service in the local community (SvDP Home Visitation, Food Pantry Socking, Sweet Olive Cemetery Clean Up, Blessing Bag Prep and Distribution, Litter Ministry Walks)
 - See flyer here for more information:  **First Saturday.JPG**
- **Magnolia Rose Foundation (Direct)**
 - Various dates and locations

- Assist, play, and hang out with children and teens that have autism. The Magnolia Rose Foundation brings education, experiences, and opportunities for play for children with autism in the Greater Baton Rouge area.
- Several events this fall. Find them on their website: [2025 Play Dates — The Magnolia Rose Foundation](#)
- Interested in volunteering? Sign up here: <https://forms.gle/MEoB16m6KCUD4uP2A>.
- **Old Jefferson Bingo (Direct)**
 - Join Senior Caroline Lucas to play bingo with residents at Old Jefferson Community Care Center
 - You MUST call the nursing home AFTER filling out the Sign Up Genius below. If you do not call, you will not receive hours if you do end up attending bingo.
 - Please check your email regularly after you sign up for additional information
 - Sign Up here: December Dates coming shortly (this will count for spring hours, not fall hours)
- **Food Pallet Breakdown at Catholic Charities – INDIRECT HOURS**
 - **One Saturday per Month**
 - [Catholic Charities Diocese of Baton Rouge: Food Bank Pallet Breakdown \(signupgenius.com\)](#)
- **BREC Sunshine Socials (DIRECT)**
 - Join BREC Adaptive & Families Helping Families for a night of dancing to serve adult and teen individuals with developmental and intellectual disabilities. Help is needed with hospitality!
 - December 19th
 - Find the date and sign up here:
<https://brec.givepulse.com/event/625628-2025-sunshine-socials>
 - MUST SIGN UP TO VOLUNTEER

ONGOING SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **Big Buddy Extended Learning Academy (Direct)**
 - Contact Laurie Hardison for more info
 - laurie@bigbuddyprogram.org or (225) 388-9737
- **La Plantation Retirement Community (Direct)**
 - 26635 hwy 16 Denham Springs, LA 70726
 - Contact AHEAD of time to schedule a time to serve. Help with activities, games, devotions, and much more.
 - Amanda Rabalais - Administrator
 - arabalais@plantationmgt.com
 - 225-241-0500
- **Shield Program/Wingmen (Direct)**
 - Earns service hours at select events
 - Attend training to become part of SWORD & SHIELD Community

- Accompany your Wingman at school events throughout the year and special events
- **St. Andrew's United Methodist Nursery & Children's Care (Indirect)**
 - Sunday mornings 8-12
 - 16 years or older
 - Contact Kay Richardson- children@saumbr.com or 225-937-4480
- **Gaitway Therapeutic Riding Center (Direct Hours)**
 - Assist in horse riding lessons for adults and children with disabilities
 - Opportunities to serve 6 days a week
 - Sign up and contact info here: [Volunteer Interest Form \(everyaction.com\)](http://everyaction.com)
- **Missionaries of Charity Soup Kitchen (Direct Hours)**
 - Everyday except Thursday and Sunday
 - Arrive at St. Agnes church at 8:30am. Go to the back of the school building and ring the bell. Get a St. Michael letterhead from the sisters.
 - Required Attire: Students should wear t-shirt (no tank tops) and **MUST** wear pants or shorts **TO THE KNEE** in order to serve
 - *****PARENTS ENCOURAGED TO GO WITH STUDENTS TO SERVE FOR SAFETY**
- **Garden View Assisted Living Bingo (Direct)**
 - Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday at 3 pm
 - More information contact: Life Enrichment Coordinator Amanda Starks at amandas@gardenviewbr.com
- **The Hospice of Baton Rouge (Direct Hours)**
 - Many opportunities to serve those in Hospice care (end of life care)
 - Link to more information HERE: [MyImpactPage - The Hospice of Baton Rouge \(betterimpact.com\)](http://betterimpact.com)
- **Baton Rouge Food Bank (Indirect Hours)**
 - Food sorting every weekend. Parent chaperone required!
 - Sign up Here: <https://volunteer.brfoodbank.org/calendar>
- **Nursing Home Visits (Direct Hours)**
 - Call ahead to local nursing homes to see about visiting.
 - Some great options: Sunrise, Garden View, Old Jefferson, Claiborne Creek in Central, Landmark South, Magnolia Bridge Senior Living, and many more
- **St. Vincent de Paul Bags of Hope and Sandwich makers (Indirect Hours)**
 - Saturdays available. Parent chaperone required!
 - Sign up and more information Here:
 - [https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4BACAB2EA6FC1-bags4#/?](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0E4BACAB2EA6FC1-bags4#/)


SEASONAL SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

- **Miracle League Cypress Mounds (Direct)**

- Spring Season- Tuesday Night: 6-12 year old players: 6:00 - 7:00 pm / 13-16 year old players: 7:00 - 8:00 pm
- Thursday Night: 17+ year old players: 6:00 - 7:15 pm OR 7:15 - 8:30 pm (based on schedule to be provided)
- Sign up to Volunteer: [Volunteer Registration](#)
- Contact: Charleen Lauman- volunteer@miracleleagucm.org
- **BRSC Unified Soccer (DIRECT)**
 - Help with BREC's unified soccer! You will be paired with a player with a disability and assist your partner through each step of the session, working through passing, stretching, and other drills. Each hour-long session concludes with a scrimmage with partners!
 - Location: Burbank Soccer Park, Field #4. 6-7:00 pm.
 - Upcoming Sessions
 - Any questions, contact Paul Fletcher: pffletcher@brsoccer.org or call BRSC Office: (225) 924-2157
- **Team of Dreams Gonzales (Direct)-has a Fall and Spring Season!**
 - Spring Season sign ups for volunteers to come March 1st
 - Check facebook for more information!

<https://www.facebook.com/people/Team-of-Dreams-Gonzales/100083391308011/>

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