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Use the descriptions in the following index to select the volunteer or donation opportunity that is best for you!

2. Volunteer as a member of our "Green Team"!

Help direct recycling efforts in the Toy Shoppe or on Food Distribution Days

Opportunities for everyone:

3. Staff the Volunteer Center / Holiday Information Desk - Volunteer right at the hub of Holiday Program communications and administration.

4. December Holiday Toy Shoppe - Help create pre-sorted toy packages. Jobs vary from sorting and packaging, to distributing toys.

5. Organize a Food or Toy Drive - Team up with officemates, classmates, neighbors, church groups, club members, or just about anyone to gather food and toys for local, low-income families. Samaritan House supports your effort every step of the way by providing guidance, donation barrels and boxes, and pick-ups when requested.

6. Monetary and In-Kind Donations -Short on time but still want to help? Support the Holiday Program with a tax-deductible monetary contribution or in-kind donation.

7. Holiday Giving Tree -Volunteer to staff the Samaritan House Holiday booth at Hillsdale Mall.

8. San Mateo Harvest Festival -Volunteer to staff the Samaritan House booth at the San Mateo Harvest Festival.

Opportunities to work directly with clients:

9. Family Sharing Programs- Share the spirit of the holidays with those who need it most by providing food, toys, and holiday cheer directly to local, low-income families and seniors.

10. Deliveries - Deliver holiday food and toy packages to those clients who have trouble getting around.

11. Thanksgiving Day - Help make this holiday special for clients by preparing foods at the Kitchen, setting up and decorating the Dining Room, greeting diners, serving food and cleaning up.

12. November Food Distribution- Help distribute food to our clients. Jobs vary from distributing food to loading shopping carts or bagging frozen turkeys.

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Opportunities for volunteers with children under 11:

14. Family Day – Food Distribution Center - Family Days are reserved exclusively for families, especially those with children younger than 11. Family Day jobs, such as food sorting, are designed for a wide age range.

15. Family Day – Toy Shoppe -Family Days are reserved exclusively for families, especially those with children younger than 11. From arts & crafts to toy packing, Family Day jobs are designed for a wide age range.

16. Club Days- Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and other service-oriented youth groups are some of our favorite workers. Club Days are designed especially with them in mind.