



Volunteering with the Indianapolis Urban League is an experience affording volunteers an opportunity to uplift residents in our community through service. We define our volunteers as a friendly and caring person who is 18 years or older, willing to donate their time and talent to provide excellent customer service to our guests.

Volunteer Experiences:

Drive-Thru Food, Meal and Community Resource Distribution

For three years, the Indianapolis Urban League, and its partners have hosted no-contact, drive-thru food and meal distributions for families impacted by COVID-19 due to loss of jobs and income reduction to foster hunger relief and help combat food insecurity in our community.

Volunteer Experience Dates and Times:

Tuesdays:

April 11

May 9

June 13

July 11

August 8

September 12

October 10

November 14

December 12



Shifts: 7:00 am – 9:30 am and/or 9:30 am – 12:30 pm

Volunteer Duties:

Volunteers assist with a variety of duties including, but not limited to, set up of meal distribution site, bagging meals, directing traffic, distributing community resources, and loading food boxes.

All volunteer duties are completed with social distancing and no contact for the safety of all. Masks, gloves, and hand sanitizer are provided. Volunteers are welcome to wear their own face masks. Masks are required to be worn at all times covering the nose and chin. Gloves are required when handling items for distribution.

Light refreshments are provided for breakfast and a boxed lunch for the 9:30 am- 12:30 pm volunteers. Warm beverages and bottled water are available throughout the day.

Attire:

Company t-shirt or plain red t-shirt, jeans or long pants, and comfortable closed-toe shoes such as sneakers are acceptable (No Crocs). **Dress for the weather with hats, gloves, coats, etc. We are outside most of the day.**

Parking and Building Entrance:

Free parking is in the Indianapolis Urban League parking lot.



Additional Volunteer Experiences:

**Back-to-School Backpack & School Supply Block Party
Saturday, July 22, 2023, Indianapolis Urban League**

Volunteers will support the excitement of heading back to school by distributing FREE backpacks filled with school supplies, engage youth in learning in the KIDS ZONE with FREE education activities while they have loads of fun in the bounce house, direct them to a fresh look with a FREE haircut, and encourage them to stay healthy with FREE health screenings for youth and adults, and send them to concessions to eat – FREE food. This is a free community event for all ages. Volunteers are also needed to assist with venue set up and tear down, directing traffic and other event day support.

**4th Annual Entrepreneur and Small Business Fair
Saturday, August 26, Indianapolis Urban League**

Volunteers will direct small business owners to their vending area, panel discussions and workshops, and greet guests and direct them to the various activities. Day-of activities include small business panel discussion and workshops, a taste of Indy’s culture at Food Trucks and Concessions, an opportunity to SHOP small businesses and enjoy smooth sounds from the LIVE DJ, and more! This is a free community event for all ages. Volunteers are also needed to assist with venue set up and tear down, directing traffic and other event day support.

**Holiday Assistance Celebration
Wednesday, December 13, 2023, Indianapolis Urban League**

The Indianapolis Urban League and its partners provide holiday assistance to more than 400 families for youth 13 and under. Companies adopt a family for the holiday catering to specific needs. Volunteers assist with distributing items and directing the guest flow. The goal in 2023 is to serve 700 families.

Annual Experience:

Project Ready Mentor

The purpose of project ready mentor is to help high school students’ progress academically, and intellectually, by benefiting from enrichment opportunities as they develop important skills, attitudes, and aptitudes that position them for success during and after high school.