

2026 Volunteer Opportunities

40
YEARS OF SERVICE



Care
For the
Homeless



**Purpose in Action.
Creating Impact Together.**

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ABOUT US

Care For the Homeless is a leading provider of integrated supportive services for individuals and families experiencing homelessness across New York City. **For over 40 years, we have met people where they are — in shelters, health centers, and through street outreach** — delivering compassionate, comprehensive care rooted in dignity and respect. Today, our network includes 16 health centers and six shelters, serving more than 14,500 New Yorkers each year across all five boroughs.



As one of the nation's pioneer organizations addressing health services for those experiencing homelessness, Care For the Homeless has spent over **four decades** setting the standard for **integrated healthcare, shelter, and social services.** Since our founding in 1985 with funding from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation and The Pew Charitable Trusts, we have been at the forefront of innovative solutions —expanding access to care, building pathways to stability and developing programs that treat the whole person with dignity and respect.

Every year, we serve thousands of adults, children, and families providing vital medical & behavioral care while providing wraparound services including food & shelter, housing stability, and other critical services to adults in need.



Our legacy of leadership in homeless services is strengthened by meaningful partnerships— with corporations, community leaders, policymakers, and thousands of employees who volunteer their time and skills. Together, we are creating pathways to stability, improving health outcomes, and building a more compassionate and equitable New York for all.

Service, with purpose.

You can create meaningful change beyond the workplace. Through corporate volunteer engagement with CFH, companies and employees have the opportunity to directly support New Yorkers experiencing homelessness while strengthening community connections, teamwork, and shared purpose.

Whether assembling essential supplies, serving meals, supporting outreach initiatives, or participating in awareness events, your partnership helps provide compassionate care, shelter, healthcare, and critical services to individuals and families across New York City.



Each project can be customized for your group. Monetary partnership support is encouraged, which directly supports our care and shelter programs.

2026 Projects.



01

Meal Service

Volunteers can help serve prepared meals. Must be scheduled one month in advance. Bingo or other games can be led after meal services.

- Small group activity: 4 - 6 individuals
- Location: Bronx, Manhattan, Brooklyn
- Time Commitment: 3 hours

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02



Essential Supplies Initiative

Assemble personal care items, Narcan kits and clothing/comfort kits for distribution at our shelters, community health care centers and outreach teams.

- Small or large group activity
- Location: CFH (main or shelter) or corporate partner site; 10-15 on site at shelter
- Time Commitment: 2 hours

03



Women's Shelter Clothing Closet

Organize and distribute items from our women's shelter clothing closet, Class ReRuns.

- Small group activity: 4 - 6 individuals
- Location: Bronx
- Time Commitment: 2 hours
- Regular (once/week or monthly)

04



Wellness Activities

Lead our residents in wellness activities that promote physical and mental health well-being. Activities can include chair yoga, meditation, movement exercises and other wellness activities.

- Location: Bronx, Manhattan, Brooklyn
- Time Commitment: 2 hours



05

Back to School Essential Supply Packing

Assemble backpacks filled with essential school supplies to be distributed to children at our community health care centers.

- Small or large group activity
- Location: CFH or corporate partner site
- Time Commitment: 2 hours



06

Game Nights

Lead fun game or art activities that create a sense of community, belonging and joy to individuals at our shelters.

- Location: Bronx, Manhattan, Brooklyn
- Time Commitment: 2 hours
- Regular (once/week or monthly)



07

Finance and Job Empowerment Workshops

Provide residents with practical tools and guidance designed to support long-term stability and independence. Budgeting, resume writing and review, and mock interviews can help prepare our residents for independent living.

- Location: Bronx, Manhattan, Brooklyn
- Time Commitment: 2 hours
- Regular (once/week or monthly)

We welcome and encourage corporate partners to support volunteer opportunities through a philanthropic contribution, helping offset the operational and programmatic costs associated with providing meaningful services, supplies, staffing and care to New Yorkers experiencing homelessness.

PARTNER WITH US

Lunch & Learns

Lunch & Learn sessions provide new and existing partners the opportunity to engage in meaningful conversations around homelessness, healthcare access, mental health, outreach, and the growing needs facing vulnerable New Yorkers. Led by members of the CFH leadership and programs teams, these sessions can be hosted at your office or our office, or virtually. They invite the continued conversation of connecting in our communities and provide insight into how impact can be implemented locally.

Additional Opportunities

We have a number of opportunities to become involved this year in addition to our support service opportunities including volunteering at our fall Homeless Awareness Certified 5K Run/Walk in November at Riverside Park or at our annual Legacy of Hope event which recognizes community leaders and partners for their dedication to ending episodes of homelessness. All events and opportunities are available for sponsorship. See our volunteer and partnerships information in more detail on our website.



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Community impact grows when organizations show up together.

