Feeding Westchester:
Feeding Westchester is the county’s leading nonprofit hunger-relief organization at the heart of a network of nearly 300 partners and programs. With a mission to end hunger in Westchester County, the organization sources and distributes good, nutritious food and other resources to every community in Westchester – from Mount Vernon to Mohegan Lake. In the last year, Feeding Westchester delivered more than 20.4 million pounds of food or 17 million meals to our neighbors through soup kitchens, food pantries, schools, shelters, residential programs, and mobile distributions.

www.feedingwestchester.org
Nancy Lyons
914.418.5204
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The types of volunteer opportunities available to students ages 14-18.
-Virtual food drive or food packing projects (attached are fliers with more information)

We invite students and their families to take part in our virtual Help from Home Winter Bag food packing project. This unique virtual food drive will help ensure that families, children and seniors in Westchester will have access to easy open, easy to prepare meals.

Participants can enlist their support network to help raise funds and awareness. Every $1 you help raise means 3 healthy meals for children, seniors, and families struggling with hunger in our community.

Friends of Karen:
Friends of Karen provides emotional, financial and advocacy support for children with a life-threatening illness and their families to help keep them stable, functioning and able to cope. We are located in North Salem, NY and have been helping sick kids and their families since 1978. Since our founding we have assisted 16,604 children – sick kids and their healthy siblings.

www.friendsofkaren.org
Denise Tredwell
914-617-4052
denisetredwell@friendsofkaren.org

Use social media to hold a grocery gift card collection to help our families provide nutritious food for their children – sick child and healthy siblings. Food insecurity is a major problem for many of our families who are caring for a very ill child and now also facing the COVID-19 pandemic. Either ask your friends of family to donate gift cards or ask them to donate cash and
then you purchase the gift cards. Or we can create a unique online fundraising page on our website with your name on it and you can send the link to your family and friends. They make a cash donation online and we purchase the gift cards. We need grocery gift cards to Target, Walmart, Stop & Shop, ShopRite and Key Food. Please ask for activation receipts.

**Pajama Program:**
Pajama Program promotes and supports a comforting bedtime routine and healthy sleep for all children to help them thrive.

https://pajamaprogram.org/in-kind/ or https://pajamaprogram.org/volunteer/
Fran Nevins
fran@pajamaprogram.org

Individuals and groups who would like to hold pajama and book drives and are able to do so safely can find the latest information here: In-Kind Pajama and Book Drives

When collecting pajama and books in-person is not possible, you can create or join a team and fundraise to give back through our national network!

We've created the Good Nights Challenge for groups, classrooms, & schools who want to participate this year, but are unable to do a physical drive for various reasons: Good Nights Challenge Fundraiser

**Ronald McDonald House of Westchester:**
The Ronald McDonald House of the Greater Hudson Valley provides temporary housing and support services for families with hospitalized children from the Hudson Valley and beyond.

www.rmh-ghv.org
Brittany Moretti
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See Flyer on SHS PTSA Volunteer Fair Tab for opportunities.

**Somers Historical Society:**
Collects & preserves materials related to local history; present online educational programs & historical exhibits; encourage, assist others with & conduct historical research; interpret & assist in the care of town-owned historic collections & properties.

www.somershistoricalsoc.org
Grace Zimmerman
somershistoricalsoc@yahoo.com

See Flyer on SHS PTSA Volunteer Fair Tab for opportunities.
**Somers Library:**
Somers Public Library
https://www.somerslibrary.org/
Tara Ferretti
tferretti@wlsmail.org
https://somerslibraryny.blogspot.com/2020/05/how-to-become-volunteer-teen-book.html#more

**Somers Litter Task Force:**
Coordinated volunteers and cleanup days to make sure Somers is clean and pretty.

Annie Gullen
914-384-0888
keepsomersclean@gmail.com

**Special Olympics:**
Special Olympics approach is to deliver, high-quality training and competition in an inclusive culture through Unified Sports which allows for people with and without intellectual disabilities to play on the same field. We offer 30-plus Olympic-style individual and team sports that provide meaningful training and competition opportunities for athletes ranging in age from 2 to 99! Special Olympics teammates benefit in gaining quality sport experiences due to the rules set forth in Sport Rules Article 1. This premise for all Special Olympics sports is strengthened from partnerships with International Sport Federations, social inclusion opportunities through Unified Schools, as well as opportunities to develop basic skills at age 2 through Young Athletes.

https://www.specialolympics.org/
Teresa Gilli
tgilli@nyso.org

Future opportunities will open-most on hold due to COVID-19 right now.

**St Stephen's Episcopal Church:**
Episcopal Church Thrift Shop- Treasurers
ststephensarmonk.org
Trina Fontaine
info@treasuresthriftshop.org

Volunteer in the Thrift Shop on Saturdays.

**United for the Troops:**
Support our local troops while they are fighting for us.

www.unitedforthetroops.org
Sherri Donovan
914-447-7527
mpd442@aol.com
1. Make thank you/Thinking of you cards
2. Write letters
3. Cut up stars from retired flags (embroidered only)
4. Fill our "soil" bags to send a little piece of home
5. Collect donations from our wish list
6. Volunteer to come and pack care packages

**Volunteer NY:**
Volunteer New York!’s core mission is to inspire, mobilize, and equip individuals and groups to take positive action to address pressing challenges, support nonprofits, and strengthen the quality of life in our community.
They encourage adults to serve, youth to build character, families to bond, young professionals to lead, mature adults to share their wisdom, and businesses to support our community.
Last year they inspired more than 35,000 volunteers who helped contribute over 360,000 hours of service to 500 local nonprofits at a value of over $11.7 million to our community.

[https://www.volunteernewyork.org/youth](https://www.volunteernewyork.org/youth)
Jessica Friedlander
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Sign up for the latest volunteering opportunities for kids, teens, and families, including virtual and in-person projects

Download the Youth Volunteer Guidebook smartphone app
Find information on Camp Vollo, Volunteer New York!’s virtual summer camp.

**YMCA Teen Leaders Program:**
The YMCA of CNW is committed to youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. It is a charitable, not for profit organization that welcomes all people regardless of age, race religion or economic status and strives to enrich each and every life through a unique, dynamic combination of programs that strengthens spirit, mind and body.

[www.ymca-cnw.org](http://www.ymca-cnw.org)
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This is the only volunteer program that is available now in Jan 2021.

**For additional questions, please contact Vicki Durso at vdurso@Optonline.net**