

Volunteer in the Community to Meet **AHCCCS** Work Requirements.

Starting January 1, 2027, new work requirements will apply to some adults ages 19 to 64 on AHCCCS. You need to do at least 80 hours of approved activities each month to meet the work requirements. Volunteering or doing community service is one way to meet the requirement. You can do one activity for all your hours, or you can mix different activities. Approved activities include working, going to school, doing job training, and volunteering.

What Volunteer Work Counts?

You must volunteer through a public or nonprofit organization. The work must directly benefit the community. The organization must:

- Oversee your volunteer work.
- Make sure the work does not support a partisan political purpose. For example, you can't volunteer for a political campaign. However, you can help register people to vote.
- Track what you did, and the dates and hours you volunteered.
- Provide a point of contact who can confirm your hours.

Make sure your volunteer work meets these requirements. This way it will count toward your work requirements, and you can keep your AHCCCS coverage.

Here are some examples of volunteer activities that meet work requirements:

- Volunteering at a food bank or pantry
- Tutoring or mentoring children through a school or nonprofit
- Helping with a meal delivery program run by a religious organization
- Doing court-ordered community service

What Volunteer Work Does Not Count?

There are some activities that do not count, including:

- Attending an event at your child's school
- Helping a family member move
- Doing yard work for a friend
- Picking up groceries for a neighbor

Find Volunteer Opportunities

The websites below can help you find opportunities. You can also check with your city, town, or school district, or local nonprofit organizations.

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| ➤ JustServe.org | ➤ Axe of Service (NAU) |
| ➤ HandsOn Greater Phoenix | ➤ Idealist.org |
| ➤ Valley of the Sun United Way | ➤ My AmeriCorps portal |
| ➤ United Way of Tucson and Southern Arizona | ➤ Azjobconnection.gov |