

Local Service Opportunities

Bethesda After-School Program:

Build meaningful relationships with children, grades 2-6; aiding in homework help, arts and crafts, and spiritual development.

Time: Mondays 3:00-6:30pm

bethedayouthcoord@messiah.edu

Bethesda Hotspot Program:

Connect with young adults in a relaxed environment with food, sports, & devotional time.

Time: Thursdays 5:30-9:15pm

bethedahotspot@messiah.edu

Center for Champions:

Form relationships and connect with middle school aged kids through team competitions, Bible lessons, and one-on-one mentoring.

Time: Thursday 5:00-8:45pm

c4ccoord@messiah.edu

New Hope Ministries:

Assist in meeting the needs of those in Enola by serving in areas such as the food pantry, the warehouse, or interacting with their guests.

Time: Mondays 1:00-3:30pm

newhopecoord@messiah.edu

Salvation Army After-School Program:

Provide academic support, play and relationship building for elementary students attending Roller Enrichment Academy & STEAM Academy.

Time: Mondays 3:00-5:00pm

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Wildheart Ministries:

Assist with a variety of projects including: community beautification, the community farm, or organizing community events.

Time: Fridays 2:30-5:30pm

wildheartcoord@messiah.edu

LHM-Horizons:

Serve a meal to participants of a transitional housing program that provides safe housing, three meals a day, and additional resources.

Time: Fridays 4:00-7:00pm

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Bethesda Women's Shelter:

Assist in meeting the needs of a local women's shelter by organizing donations and working on shelter beautification projects.

Time: Thursday 1:30-3:40pm

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Paxton Ministries:

Foster relationships over dinner and activities with adults challenged with poverty, mental illness, or intellectual disabilities.

Time: Tuesdays 5:30-8:00pm

paxtoncoord@messiah.edu

Messiah Lifeways (1:1):

Develop a one-on-one relationship with a resident of Messiah Lifeways retirement community. Weekly commitment is required.

Time: Tuesdays 1:30-3:15pm

messlifewayscoord@messiah.edu

Messiah Lifeways (Small Group):

Participate in meaningful conversations and service activities with elderly residents of Messiah Lifeways.

Time: TBD.

intergencoord@messiah.edu

Messiah Student Food Pantry

Assist with the operations of the on-campus food pantry, including: inventory, organizing shelves, & welcoming guests.

Time: Fridays 2:45-5:15pm

sgafoodpantry@messiah.edu

Other Service-Learning Opportunities

Service Trips:

Fall Break Service Trips:
Locations: Nashville, TN & Bronx, NY
Cost: \$50/per person
Applications Open Sept. 2

International Summer Service Trips:
Locations: Poland & Kenya
Applications Open Sept. 9!

servicetripsga@messiah.edu

Need your ELI credit?

Volunteer on a weekly basis in one or multiple local service opportunities within a semester to fulfill your ELI credit.

*Students must have completed 24 credits prior to starting the ELI.

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Service Day:

Thursday, April 8, 2027

There are no classes this day. Volunteers will either serve with an on-campus or off-campus service project.

