

DAY OF CARING

PITCH IN. GIVE BACK. JOIN US!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2020



Hello Volunteers:

This year, due to COVID-19, Day of Caring will look a little different. Our #1 priority is the safety of our volunteers, agency staff and their clients. As Virginia moves into Phase 3, we are keeping an optimistic outlook while planning this event but have erred on the side of caution with the conditions this fall remaining unknown. We will communicate with you any changes that arise.

After months of quarantine and isolation, we are looking forward to coming together and doing good in our communities.

SAFETY

Safety is our #1 priority. All Agencies and Volunteers will be required to comply with CDC Guidelines.

- Organizations will be required to complete a [Safety Form](#) stating your organization will comply with CDC Guidelines in place at the time of the project.
- All Volunteers will have to sign a Waiver for Healthy, Safety, and Photo Release

PROJECTS/EVENT DATE(S): Friday, September 18, 2020 BUT PROJECT DATES MAY VARY

- The main day and preferred project date for Day of Caring will be [Friday, September 18th](#).
- As we continue to minimize large gatherings we understand that some of our nonprofits have several projects that can accommodate large groups of volunteers or may have other large groups planned onsite which would conflict with our request to host smaller groups. This year projects can be posted on or after September 18, 2020 to provide for the safest environment and smaller groups.

We will be using Volunteer Peninsula again this year for volunteers to sign up for projects.

- [CLICK HERE](#) to check out our website for the latest information, videos, and user guides
- [CLICK HERE](#) for the updated 2020 Day of Caring Agency User Guide

2020 DAY OF CARING TIMELINE:

July 1- July 27- Agencies submit Day of Caring projects

July 31- September 7- Volunteer sign up for projects (projects will remain pending until July 31)

September 18- Day of Caring and United Way Campaign Kick Off- Drive-Thru Parade and projects

NEW KICK OFF CELEBRATION FOR VOLUNTEERS AND ORGANIZATIONS

JOIN US the morning of Friday, September 18, 2020! United Way invites YOU, our volunteers and community leaders, to decorate your vehicle (optional) and drive thru the parade route to celebrate our community. The parade route will be lined with Day of Caring Agencies and United Way Partner Agencies to cheer you on and showcase their organization.

- **Register at** <https://unitedwayvirginiapeninsula.wufoo.com/forms/p1gp89711ptg3zm/>
- The first 500 participants will receive a packet of agency information, local business coupons, and United Way giveaways.
- Due to COVID-19, the health and safety of our volunteers, agencies, and participants is our #1 priority. We hope that Day of Caring volunteers that do not feel comfortable participating this year will still join us for this celebration within the safety of their own vehicle. (You do not have to volunteer this year to participate)

DAY OF CARING SHIRTS:

- Due to the drastic effects COVID-19 has had on our local businesses, United Way and the Day of Caring Committee made the decision to recognize our 2019 Sponsors and Food Donors as 2020 Supporters. These businesses have supported this event for many years and we want to continue to thank them. When you are conducting business in our community, please think of these local supporters.
- We are excited to share that we've worked with a local artist, Jenny Pritchard of Williamsburg, and have an incredible design. Shirts will be available for purchase this year through an online store (link coming soon). We have worked to keep the cost low and hope you will consider buying one to add to your Day of Caring shirt collection.

NEW COVID-19 REQUIREMENTS FOR DAY OF CARING 2020:

- PPE must be provided to volunteers or communicated that they must bring their own to participate.
- United Way is asking that all projects be limited to the number of volunteers that the agency can safely congregate with CDC Guidelines in mind. You can post multiple projects on multiple days to make it easier.

SHARE YOUR PICTURES:

As mentioned above, we will not have the photo contest this year but we would love to view and share your picture on our social media and with other agencies, community partners, and volunteers.

Please send your Day of Caring pictures to- DayofCaring@uwvp.org

QUESTIONS?

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