

God's Love We Deliver is one of New York City's premier sites for group days of service. If you're looking for a great way to blend teambuilding with giving back, join hundreds of corporate, student and civic teams that volunteer every year! God's Love is the tri-state area's leading provider of nutritious, individually-tailored meals to people who are too sick to shop or cook for themselves. It's the only agency of its kind in New York, preparing every nutritious meal by hand and delivering them right to our clients' doorsteps every day. We rely on volunteers to do all the cutting, chopping and trimming, ensuring that there's a real human being behind each meal.

- Location: 630 Flushing Avenue
- **Directions:** Take the J, M or G train to Flushing Avenue. For further directions, try www.hopstop.com.
- Training: We provide both a God's Love orientation and Kitchen/Delivery training at the beginning of your shift.
- **Time:** It's very important that all volunteers arrive on time and stay for the full shift. Our kitchen and delivery departments rely heavily on our volunteers and plan specific work based on the anticipated headcount and duration of each shift.
- **Cancellation Policy:** We require a minimum of a week's notice if you need to cancel or cannot provide the minimum amount of volunteers.

## Kitchen Prep

With over 26,000 meals delivered each week, the kitchen staff relies on volunteers to help prepare these meals for over 2,600 clients. Tasks may include chopping onions, wrapping rolls, peeling potatoes or making meatballs. Volunteers should be able to stand for the full shift (3 hours).

- **Shift Times**: Monday -Thursday 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm, Friday 9am-12pm, Sunday 10am-1pm and 1:30pm-4:30pm
- Group Size: 10-15 people
- Dress Code: Clothing must completely cover shoulders, armpits, knees and toes. Long sleeves must be pushed above your elbows while working with food. All hair must be fully covered in the kitchen. We provide hairnets, however hats may be worn providing all hair is covered, including ponytails and bangs. No bracelets, watches or dangling earrings may be worn.
- Age Requirement: Volunteers must be at least 18 to work in the kitchen.
- **Cell Phones:** Cell phone use is not permitted while working in the kitchen.
- To ensure the safety of our clients, we ask that anyone who is ill does not work in the kitchen. With advance notice, we can occasionally find an office project for those not feeling well.

## **Delivery Bag Packaging**

Our frozen meals must be packaged correctly and individually for the following day's deliveries. In an assembly line fashion, volunteers will pack our delivery bags for each client and his or her dependents, making sure that they receive the right meal for them. Volunteers should be able to stand for the full shift (3 hours).

- Shift Times: Monday Friday 9am-12pm
- Group Size: 10-15 people
- Dress Code: All hair must be fully covered. We provide hairnets, however hats may be worn providing all hair is covered, including ponytails and bangs. For food safety purposes, the temperature of the room is kept fairly cool. A sweater or jacket is recommended.
- Age Requirement: Volunteers must be at least 16 for this project.

## Walking Delivery

Walking deliveries are a great opportunity to see the city and brighten someone's day. We have many Neighborhood Meal Distribution Centers (NMDCs) throughout New York where volunteers pick up meals and deliver them on foot in the area.

- **Starting Location:** 630 Flushing Avenue for Brooklyn deliveries. Depending on your office's location, we might be able to arrange deliveries in your area. Contact <u>ksuhr@glwd.org</u> for more information.
- Shift Times: Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:30am-1:30pm
- **Group Size:** 4-15 people. Depending on the size of your group, volunteers may be divided into 2 or 3 teams and sent to different neighborhoods.
- **Dress Code:** Deliveries take place rain or shine, so volunteers should dress for the weather and wear comfortable shoes.
- Age Requirement: Volunteers under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

# Large One-Time Group Opportunities

There are some days throughout the year that we need even more help for holidays and special projects. These are great opportunities for families and corporate groups, as they can accommodate children and large teams.

- "Blackout" and "Blizzard" Boxes - Twice a year, God's Love provides its clients with emergency kits of non-perishable goods in the event that we are unable to deliver to them. Both projects take place on a Sunday and up to 80 volunteers are needed to assemble the boxes.

- Avon Walk for Breast Cancer - We prepare the lunches for the participants and crew of the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer and host a cheering station for the walkers. The Avon Walk is always on a weekend in October and volunteers are needed on Saturday morning both in the kitchen and at the cheering station.

- **Thanksgiving Basket Build** - In addition to a Thanksgiving feast, God's Love also puts together gift baskets for our clients to make the holidays a little brighter. Up to 100 volunteers are needed the Saturday before Thanksgiving to package the baskets.

### **Sponsorships**

If you are interested in expanding your partnership with God's Love beyond volunteering, we offer great opportunities to demonstrate social responsibility and commitment to the community. We pride ourselves on developing real partnerships that offer mutual benefit at all levels of participation. You will receive recognition and brand exposure that will be tailored to meet corporate and philanthropic objectives.

- **Signature Events**: We host four signature events throughout the year. For more information about sponsoring or attending these events, please contact David Ludwigson at 212.294-8145 or dludwigson@glwd.org.

- Blackout/Blizzard Boxes: Biannual emergency kits are given to our clients in the rare event that we are unable to reach them. In addition to sponsoring opportunities, get your staff involved in building the boxes – a rewarding and fun volunteer project involving up to 80 people. For more information, contact Kate Suhr at 212.294.8160 or ksuhr@glwd.org.

- **Expansion Campaign**: As our numbers continue to grow each year, our need for an expanded building is urgent. We are currently in a \$25M expansion campaign and hope you will join us in this important endeavor. For more information on naming opportunities, please contact Amanda Halkiotis at 212.294.8140 or ahalkiotis@glwd.org.

- Holiday Sponsorship: In addition to providing special meals for our clients on Thanksgiving and the December holidays, we also provide gift baskets and guest meals so no one has to eat alone. Past menus have included Pumpkin Bisque, Cornish Game Hen with Wild Mushroom Stuffing, Potatoes with Carrot & Fennel and Apple Cobbler. For more information, contact Jillian Sandoval at 212.294.8151 or jsandoval@glwd.org.