## **REASONS WE VOLUNTEER**

Every volunteer has a reason for joining any organization that requires their time, energy, commitment, and sometimes dollars. However, when a volunteer's needs are met, they are satisfied and will share that satisfaction with others. Each person's reason for joining is highly subjective and includes the unspoken question "What's in it for me?" Is your reason on this list?

Spread positive energy and hope Loads of fun

Earn good Karma Guilt

My family and friends are doing it

Escape or keeping busy

Giving purpose to my life
Good Conversations

To be an insider or achieve status in the community

Contribute to a cause I care about Recognition

Share your skills and talents

To make a difference

Educating others

Getting my voice heard

Effecting social change or a change in my life Be a watchdog

Surpassing my comfort zone Learning something new

Had a personal experience with the cause-illness or need

Like working with Kids

No one else is doing it

Feel needed or useful

Meet new people and make new friends

Religious reasons

Accepting a challenge

Explore new interest

Be able to criticize

Opportunity for personal growth Stay active

Giving back to my community

Now have flexible time

Providing support to my friends and their activities

Impress someone Get out of the house

Gain leadership skills Repay debt

Good therapy

Explore careers

Learn new skills or enhance the ones I have

Do something different
Earn college credit
Love organizing

To be the agent for change Stand up and be counted

Work in a safe, clean environment Like the staff

Something different to do each day

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