



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES 2017-2018

With an open heart and an open mind, The Night Ministry compassionately provides housing, health care, and human connection to those in Chicago struggling with poverty or homelessness.

SERVE A MEAL

Small groups provide and serve meals.

The Crib

- Provide and serve breakfast or dinner to 25 young adults at our LGBTQ-friendly overnight shelter.
- 7 am or 8:30 pm, Friday, Saturday, or Sunday.
- **Requirements:** 1-4 volunteers, age 21+.

Street Meals

- Provide and serve hot dogs, soup, or sack suppers alongside the Health Outreach Bus in one of six Chicago neighborhoods throughout the week. Times vary by day and stop.
- **Requirements:** 4-6 volunteers; age 14+. Provide 60-200 meals, depending on the stop.

ONGOING PROGRAM VOLUNTEERS

Individual volunteers build supportive relationships, provide hospitality, and assist with activities.

- **The Crib**
- **Health Outreach Bus**
- **Open Door Shelter**
- **Requirements:** Ages 21+. Must attend volunteer orientation and complete application.

SERVICE SATURDAY

Volunteers help sort donations and pack safe-sex or hygiene kits on certain Saturdays throughout the year.

- 9 am – 12 pm at 4711 N. Ravenswood Ave.
- **Requirements:** Age 12+. Register in advance.

CORPORATE LUNCH & LEARN

Host representatives from The Night Ministry at your workplace for a short presentation on our work, followed by a service project such as making sandwiches, trail mix, or hygiene kits.

- **Group Size:** Minimum 10
- **Duration:** 45-75 minutes
- **Location:** At your site (Maximum of 30 miles from 4711 N. Ravenswood, Chicago, IL 60640)
- **Supplies/Ingredients:** Provided by group

ASSOCIATE BOARD

Meet other young professionals and support The Night Ministry through volunteering, fundraising, networking, and advocacy opportunities.

- Inquire at associateboard.tnm@gmail.com.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Create a holiday party for up to 12 teen moms and their children at our Lakeview Shelter.

- **Requirements:** 3-6 volunteers, female & 21+.

To get started, e-mail volunteering@thenightministry.org or call 773-784-9000.

Donations can be dropped off Monday-Friday, 9 am - 5 pm
at 4711 N. Ravenswood Ave., Chicago, IL 60640



IN-KIND DONATIONS 2017-2018

ONGOING NEEDS

- Packages of new white or black adult **socks**
- Packages of new adult size **underwear**
- Single-ride **Ventra passes**
- **Gift cards:** \$5-\$10 to McDonald's, Subway, Dunkin Donuts, or Starbucks; 15-\$30 to Jewel, Mariano's, Walgreens, CVS, or Target

SERVICE PROJECTS: FOOD

These are a great way to involve youth.
The following are distributed at the Health Outreach Bus.

Cookies

- Store-bought or homemade. Basic recipes such as chocolate chip, sugar, and oatmeal cookies are the most popular.
- Please pack cookies three to a baggie. We accept 50-200 bags.

Trail Mix

- Mix together some of the following: dried fruit, chocolate (M&Ms or chocolate chips), nuts, pretzels, cereal, and/or granola.
- Please package 1 cup to a baggie; we accept 50-200 bags.

Sack Suppers

- Prepare turkey or ham and cheese sandwiches and/or bag lunches (chips, fruit, dessert, drink).
- We accept 50-200, depending on need.
- Must be scheduled in advance.

ONE-TIME NEEDS

Visit

<https://www.myregistry.com/public/thenightministry>

to view our on-going wish list.



SERVICE PROJECTS: HYGIENE KITS

Hygiene kits are distributed throughout our programs. Collect all or some of the items below and assemble into kits or donate separately. Travel/Sample size only; can be packed into gallon-size resealable bags.

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| • Shampoo | • Mouthwash |
| • Conditioner | • Lip balm |
| • Soap | • Comb/brush |
| • Body lotion | • Disposable razor |
| • Toothpaste | • Shaving cream |
| • Toothbrush | • Wash cloth |
| • Deodorant | • Moist towelettes |

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