



VOLUNTEER NEWS

WITH VOLUNTEERS LIKE YOU, WE HAVE A CHANCE TO MAKE THIS WORLD A BETTER PLACE. THANK YOU FOR ALL YOUR HARD WORK. IT MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE.



#2020FFYVolunteers Stronger Together



VOLUNTEERING IN 2020

This year has been one big ball of mystery, anxiety, change, and adventure. Before the Pandemic began, it started out with our usual annual events. The Royal Ball was a huge hit with all the kids who were able to attend to show off their Roaring 20s garb. Our volunteers helped in a major way. From decorating cupcakes to checking in guests. They made this event a night to remember. It was also our first year participating in the United Way, Martin Luther King Jr. Day of Service. We had a wonderful group help out at Columbus Youth Camp moving furniture. We had so many amazing students helping in the Boys and Girls Club. We were able to hold the annual Bowl For Kids' Sake to support Big Brothers Big Sisters. This event was so special because three weeks later everything shut down. Our volunteers made that weekend a huge success. You were able to provide that support in so many ways. Helping bowlers find their lanes, counting donations, and cooking food! That night provided the support Big Brother Big Sisters needed to get through this year.

On March 13th, FFY had to close their doors. In May, after so much hard work and tough decisions, we were able to reopen and provide emergency care to some of the families in our community. Big Brothers Big Sisters were able to continue their programming virtually with the support of all their amazing BIGS! Columbus Youth Camp was able to welcome back their volunteers over the summer. We had so many strong groups from the community supporting this program. Columbus Youth Camp provided our kids an opportunity to get outside and learn about their environment. Hiking, canoeing, and seeing nature up close. The entire camp depends on volunteers. Thank you to all of those who were able to support us by clear trails, cleaning and staining decks, and cleaning up our new rental property. All of this provides funds and a future for Columbus Youth Camp.

We were able to hold our annual fundraiser Great Girls Wonderful Women as our first virtual event ever! All because of our great committee made of volunteers from the community. This Event was able to provide an uplifting message virtually to the 6th grade girls in our community and couldn't happen without our volunteers.

Our volunteer coaches were able to return in the fall. This year has been so crazy. Having our fall sports gave these kids some stability and we cannot thank you enough for supporting these programs. All of our Coaches are volunteers and this program wouldn't exist without you. We also had a small group of volunteers provide much needed support to the Boys and Girls Club. With the addition of e-learning, these groups were so vital in supporting our kids and providing a safe place to be.

All of us at Foundation For Youth want to say: Thank you so much for the immeasurably valuable work you have done for our organization! We have not thanked you enough, and want to let you know that your dedication is essential to the work that we do. We cannot do it without you and we would not want to do it without you. You bring ideas, positive energy and a beautiful intensity to all of our programs. We hope to see you all again in the years to come!

LOOKING FORWARD TO 2021

We are looking forward to expanding our volunteer program and provide more virtual opportunities!

We know going into 2021 will still be a mystery on when things will return to normal. We are working on keeping our opportunities up to date.

To see our current and future volunteer opportunities visit:

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