



# BUSINESS CONNECTIONS ALEXANDRIA for Associations

Volunteer Alexandria enables Alexandria's businesses and associations to address pressing needs in our communities while strengthening their own company through engaging their employees in community service. Business Connections offer opportunities for all employees and members to actively engage in community life, to participate in teambuilding projects and to gain expertise that increases skills, while aligning the company's mission and goals with community service. We create projects to accommodate employees with special needs. Volunteer Alexandria works with multiple nonprofit and municipal agencies in Alexandria to support people in need.

Business Connections is a fee-for-service program that offers customized employee engagement opportunities at sites throughout Alexandria. Our comprehensive project management ensures a high impact day of service that meets both employees' expectations and philanthropic goals with the company. With Business Connections projects, Volunteer Alexandria provides:

- Custom-Tailored Project Design
- Logistical Details/Material Management
- Project Coordination - Start to Finish
- Pre-Project Employee Orientation, if needed
- Post-Project Survey, if needed

Over the past two years, we have worked with over 100 companies and associations to manage a variety of service projects, where Business Connections volunteers have:

- Built vegetable gardens for a homeless shelter and congregations
- Maintained volleyball fields and removed invasive plants in local parks
- Installed a parking lot and cabinetry for the local Boys and Girls Club and built book shelves for children
- Prepared mailings and delivered meals to homebound seniors
- Beautified a group home for mentally challenged residents by landscaping and painting the outside areas
- Landscaped the grounds of recreation centers and museums
- Cleaned pools and painted murals

Our supporters embody the strong commitment to community that resonates throughout the City of Alexandria. Engagement with Volunteer Alexandria identifies your company as a leader - seeking to make meaningful contributions to the well-being of our region. It also offers a proven return on investment: employee volunteering improves retention and supports recruitment, provides valuable leadership and professional development opportunities, and strengthens talents. Positive community visibility provides access to new markets and customers.

We provide a variety of on-site projects that are able to accommodate anywhere from 10-150 people and support the community by providing hand-made products (cards, care packages, bracelets, etc.).

***Please note that this is a Fee-for-Service program and expense depends on the number of volunteers.***

5-24 volunteers - \$1,000-\$1,500

25-74 volunteers - \$1,500-\$4,000

75-100 volunteers - \$4,000-\$6,000

*Expenses for food, beverages, and transportation, if needed, are the responsibility of the team hosting the activity, unless otherwise discussed.*