



# DAY OF SERVICE

## JUNE 14, 2026

**June 14, 2026** (Flag Day) has been designated as Washington's State's Day of Service in honor of America's 250th.

The Day of Service is about volunteering in your local community. Communities around the state can participate by identifying a project that is meaningful to you and encouraging all service organizations and citizens to participate. Projects can be big or small. They can be specific to your area or part of a larger national volunteering effort. They can be one individual, a small group, or an entire town. The most important point is to volunteer in some way in 2026.

### **Do we have to volunteer on June 14?**

No. Feel free to choose any date in 2026 that works for you and your community.

### **Who can participate?**

Everyone. This initiative is open to anyone in Washington State – individuals, children, families, groups, communities.

### **What types of service projects count?**

Anything that benefits your community. Organize your own project or work with existing groups.

### **Be Part of the Largest National Service Effort in American History**

The Washington State Day of Service is part of **America Gives**, a national initiative focused on reinvigorating a national year-round culture of service in the United States. America Gives will focus on three key pillars: charitable giving, volunteering, and public service, including military service.

The United States has a long history of service, from Benjamin Franklin's first volunteer fire brigade in the 1700s, to the founding of organizations like the American Red Cross in 1881, to the creation of the Peace Corps and more well into the 20th century.

It is hoped that through this effort, the country will create a lasting legacy of service for generations to come.



**Learn More About America Gives:**  
<https://america250.org/america-gives>



**For more information and ideas, visit our Resources Page at  
[www.America250WA.org](http://www.America250WA.org)**

# HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE



Volunteer with your local history museum to help preserve and share your community's story



Clean up a local park or nearby trail



Collect food, diapers, hygiene products or school supplies for a donation drive (be sure to ask what supplies are needed the most)



Offer to plan a special activity for a senior center such as an art project, story hour, or game night



Volunteer for a shift at a local animal shelter



Support a local nonprofit by helping fundraise, serving on a board, organizing a public program, or contributing other special skills you might have



Work with local senior centers to repair facilities



Work with your local tree or urban forest foundation to plant trees



Check out more ideas at **Serve Washington**, our state's service commission and designated AmeriCorps administrator: <https://servewashington.wa.gov>



## Create A Community "Museum of Service"

In addition to volunteer projects, communities are encouraged to create a "museum of service" as part of their America250 efforts.

This initiative was created by the National Museum and Center for Service, an America250 WA partner, to help highlight the enduring American spirit of service.

The "community museum of service" identifies local people or groups dedicated to serving others, and finds public spaces (libraries, businesses, museums, community centers, etc.) where posters can be hung to recognize them.

Communities around the state can create lasting local exhibits that celebrate the spirit of service.

The NMCS has developed a detailed toolkit to help communities create their own museum of service.

[www.nmcfs.org/250andbeyond](http://www.nmcfs.org/250andbeyond)



## Become a partner:

[www.America250WA.org/partners](http://www.America250WA.org/partners)

Local partners are key to ensuring all Washingtonians are able to participate in America's 250th. Partnership is open to any nonprofit or municipal organization.

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