

Build Your Resume By Donating Time & Talents to Nonprofits

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Meet Taproot

Taproot empowers mission-driven organizations by mobilizing skilled volunteers to advance resource equity.



Taproot for Volunteers



37,000

Engaged volunteers



1.9 million

Volunteer hours



\$300 million

Donated to social good organizations



400+

Virtual volunteer opportunities updated daily



19,000+

Social good organizations from 22+ issue areas



What is Skills-Based Volunteering?

A donation of one's abilities, talents, networks, and resources to social good organizations.



Added Capacity

Gives nonprofits
the tools to
support what
they do best:
uplifting their
communities



Community

Builds lasting connections between volunteers and social good organizations



Impact

Provide longterm value to social good organizations





What is your professional superpower?







What social causes are near & dear to your heart?





What's the career move you hope volunteering can help you achieve?



Benefits of Skills-Based Volunteering



Supporting Important Social Causes



Expanding Your Network



Building Your Resume



Strengthening Skills





Community needs continue to increase while funding and volunteer support for nonprofits declines.





Making a difference alongside a social cause you care about is the biggest benefit of volunteering your professional skills.

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Expand Your Network

- Geographically
- Positionally
- Thematically





Build Your Resume

- Feature Volunteer Work
- Be Relevant
- Prioritize Achievements
- Fill Employment Gaps



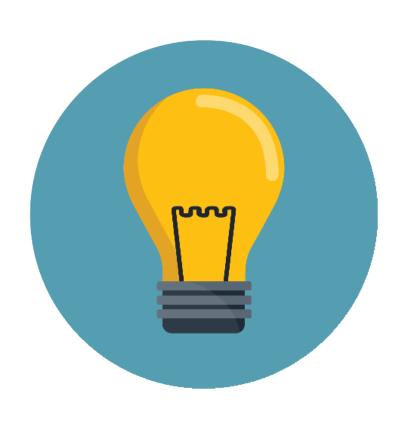


Strengthen Your Skills

- Be Relevant
- Reinforce Soft Skills
- Show Commitment



Transitioning Your Corporate Expertise to the Nonprofit Sector



- You and the nonprofit both bring unique areas of expertise to the partnership
- Listen and seek understanding before offering solutions
- Involve your nonprofit partner in decision making
- Be direct about your recommendations, needs, and expectations
- Stay open-minded about volunteer roles that 'require' broad expertise
- Treat skills-based volunteering like paid work





How to Give Back (While Building Your Resume) Through Taproot





Join the Taproot Community

- Free of cost, accessible across the U.S., U.K., E.U., Canada, and India
- Flexible virtual volunteering, one-hour consultations and multi-week projects, with nonprofits across 22+ issue areas
- Access to Taproot's full suite of partner-sponsored programming
- Access to skills-based volunteerism resources & best practices, networking, and user support from the national leader in skills-based proof volunteerism



Create an Account

- Get started at <u>taprootplus.org</u>
- Use an email you check regularly
- Complete skill and issue area selections upon sign-up
- Add LinkedIn profile, if comfortable sharing





Find a Volunteer Opportunity

- Sessions: one-hour consultations
- Projects: multi-week engagements resulting in a specific deliverable
- On the <u>Browse Opportunities</u> page, use filtering options
- Unsure if an opportunity is the right fit? Apply anyway!

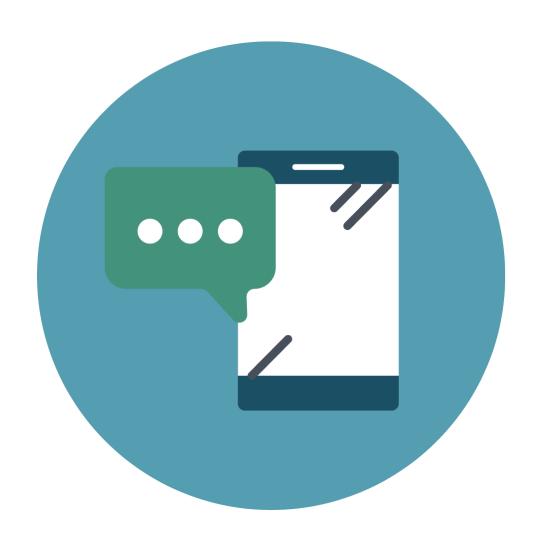




Apply for a Volunteer Opportunity

- Provide a brief statement of interest
- Select your availability for a call with the nonprofit
- Complete the Community Agreement





Connecting with a Nonprofit: Sessions

- Read up on the nonprofit
- Prep notes and questions before the one-hour call
- Optional: Share additional resources, help draft a Project description, or continue working together!





Example One-Hour Consultation Session Outcomes

- Consulting on recruitment strategies
- Tips for getting started with QuickBooks
- Advice for building a strong board
- Project management best practices
- Mapping out the strategic planning process







Connecting with a Nonprofit: Projects

- Prep notes and questions
- Make sure their timeline aligns with your availability
- Assess if you're a good match for the nonprofit's needs and culture





Example Multi-Week Project Outcomes

- Accounting systems set up
- Staff and volunteer retention tactics
- Data collection practice optimization
- Mission and vision statement development
- Annual impact report graphic design





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