

## **Serve Outing Ideas**

When you volunteer and serve others, you have an opportunity to not only serve them in this world, but to show them God's love and potentially impact their spiritual future. Therefore, we require Connect Groups to have one Serve Outing per season. You can make a real impact on your community while bonding as a group.

Not sure where to serve? Here are some ideas to help you get started:

**Abide:** Abide strives to revitalize the inner city by developing stronger families, safer neighborhoods, and emerging leaders. Volunteer opportunities include preparing the food pantry, serving food to the community, and beautifying campuses and surrounding areas. You can even volunteer for unique group opportunities.

Location: 3223 N 45th St.

**Open Door Mission:** The goal of <u>Open Door Mission</u> is to end the cycle of homelessness and poverty in Omaha. You can help by sorting and organizing donated items, stocking the food pantry, serving, preparing meals, and more. Learn more <u>here</u>. NOTE: You must complete an <u>application</u> to serve at Open Door Mission.

Location: 2828 N 23rd St. E

Hand of Hope: <u>Hand of Hope</u> aids those impacted by natural disasters all over the country by rebuilding homes, churches, and communities in devastated areas. If your group can <u>make a trip together</u>, that's fantastic! But if that's not possible, you could have a group fundraiser (such as a bake sale or a group garage sale) to raise funds to <u>donate</u>.

**Embrace Teachers:** Embrace Teachers enriches the lives of educators at seven schools in the Omaha Public School District by providing conference meals, classroom supplies, encouragement gifts and cards, and prayer. Contact <u>Lisa Hickey</u> to learn more, or you can work directly with one of the elementary schools: Central Park, J.P. Lord, Jackson, Jefferson, Miller Park, Ponca, Spring Lake, or Springville.

**King of Kings ministry:** There are plenty of ways for your group to serve right in our building! Groups can greet visitors, get involved with children's ministry, prepare coffee, serve food, and more. Check out all the ways you can serve <u>here</u>.

Location: 11615 | St.

Habitat for Humanity of Omaha: If your group wants to get out and get their hands dirty, this is a great opportunity! You can partner with <u>Habitat of Humanity</u> to help with home construction on-stie on in the Habitat ReStore. Check out your opportunities <u>here</u>.

Location: 1701 N. 24<sup>th</sup> St.

**Table Grace Café**: Table Grace Café provides nutritious lunches to homeless and less fortunate people in downtown Omaha. The Café served more than 20,000 meals in 2019, 70% of which went to patrons with low or no income. Your group can volunteer to cook and serve food and interact with people looking for some light in the world. Call 1.402.965.1276 to get more information about serving.

Location: 1611 Farnam St.

**Food Bank for the Heartland:** This organization strives to eliminate community hunger by supplying emergency and supplemental food to people in need in Nebraska and Western Iowa. <u>Food Bank for the Heartland</u> allows you to sign up for <u>specific events</u> or <u>register as a group</u> and be assigned to an appropriate activity.

Location: 10525 J St.

These are but a few of the great opportunities available to help our community. Have more ideas? Has your group had a great time serving somewhere else in the past? Email <a href="mailto:dan@kingofkings.org">dan@kingofkings.org</a> with other ideas or opportunities.