



LAKEVIEW PANTRY
Food for Today, Hope for Tomorrow

Contact Us

volunteers@lakeviewpantry.org
(773) 525-1777

Dear Volunteers,

Lakeview Pantry relies on people like you, individuals who want to make a difference in the world and in their community, to help it complete its mission. You truly are the face of our organization and our representatives in the community. We strive to provide quality food, friendly service and hope for tomorrow. You are the bearers of that hope. Together we can work to eliminate hunger in our community and provide quality service to our neighbors. This is our primary goal and what brings us together.

We can also use this opportunity to learn from each other. Our diverse histories provide us with the chance to grow, establish new relationships and work to end poverty together. The connections we develop here can change hearts and minds, raise awareness of our cause and recruit new advocates for those in need. Thank you for being someone who makes a difference, and thank you for joining our Lakeview Pantry Family.

Sincerely,

Aliya Prescott

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Manager of Volunteers





Volunteer Welcome Packet

Volunteer Program Policies

Scheduling Details:

Scheduling on your personal site is quick and easy. To access your personal site, request a link by entering your information at www.lakeviewpantry.org/volunteer/existing-volunteers. You'll get an email with a link to your page where you can sign up for shifts, cancel shifts and update your personal information. [Click here](#) to see step-by-step instructions on how to sign up for a volunteer shift!

Full Shift Time:

Please make sure to arrive on time and stay for the entire shift. Exceptions can be made ahead of time for specific circumstances. Please simply do your best to communicate with us about any issues that may arise with shifts. We really appreciate your cooperation and understanding of this need. Lakeview Pantry would not be able to achieve all that it does without you and its many other dedicated volunteers.

Cancelation Policy:

Should you need to cancel for any shift, please let us know as soon as possible. The best way is to cancel on your [personal site](#). If you need to cancel within 24 hours of your shift, please email volunteers@lakeviewpantry.org or your site coordinator.

Scheduled Volunteer Shifts

Date	Time	Job	Details	Cancel
Wed 1/13/21	9:00 AM - 12:00 PM	Packing Crew @ Avondale		

Community Service Policy:

If you need community service hours, we can aid you in completing them. Please note, we do not accept theft or violent crime charges. Before your first day, we will need documentation of your charge on file. Keep in mind that you are responsible for tracking all of your hours. The Volunteer Department will sign off on your hours upon completion and request. Request letters by email only and allow the Volunteer Department two business days to complete the request.



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Staff are on site to provide assistance and direction:

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Dress Code:

Please make sure to wear appropriate clothing for volunteer work in our food pantry, such as casual wear. Closed-toed shoes are required. Please do not wear anything revealing or with inappropriate words or pictures. Simple, functional clothing is best as a way of being in solidarity with our clients. Lakeview Pantry t-shirts are available for volunteers.

Code of Conduct and Anti-Harassment Policy:

The Pantry is dedicated to maintaining a supportive environment that values individual diversity in which respect for the individual is encouraged and protected. The Pantry is committed to maintaining an environment free from all forms of harassment and insists that all employees, clients, board members, volunteers, vendors and other third parties be treated with dignity, respect, and courtesy.

Harassment on the basis of an individual's actual or perceived race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, age, pregnancy, national origin or ancestry, disability, military service, veteran status, genetic information, or any other personal characteristic designated by federal, state, or local laws will not be tolerated at the Pantry.

Sexual harassment is a form of gender harassment. This policy prohibits harassment based on gender regardless of whether the offensive conduct is sexual in nature and regardless of whether it rises to the level of a legal violation. Any unwelcome conduct based on gender is prohibited regardless of whether the individual allegedly engaged in "harassment" and their alleged targets are of the same or of different genders.

The conduct prohibited, whether verbal, physical, or visual, includes any discriminatory action and any unwelcome conduct directed at or affecting someone because of that individual's protected status. Among the types of unwelcome conduct prohibited by this policy are epithets, slurs, negative stereotyping, intimidating acts, and circulation or posting of written or graphic materials that direct or reflect hostility toward individuals because of their protected status. Even where conduct may not be sufficiently severe or pervasive to constitute unlawful harassment, the Pantry discourages any such conduct while on-site.

Any volunteer who believes they are being harassed by another person, or who is a witness to such harassment, should promptly inform the Manager of Volunteers, any Pantry manager, director or officer, human resources or the CEO.

If Issues Arise:

Should any issues arise while you are volunteering "on the floor" (i.e. at the counters, intake desk, etc.), please find a staff member immediately and say "**I need you right now.**" We will know to provide help and support right away as soon as we hear this phrase. Please approach



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a coordinator with any general inquiries about the Pantry and the Manager of Volunteers for any specific inquiries concerning the Volunteer Department.

Volunteering with Friends or Family

Bringing Friends:

If you would like to attend a shift with a friend, both you and your friend must be active volunteers and sign up for the shift on your personal site.

Requirements for youth to volunteer at Lakeview Pantry:

1. Register to [volunteer](#)
2. Complete a [youth waiver](#)
3. Watch our virtual orientation with a parent or guardian
4. Answer “no” to all of our COVID-19 screening questions

How to add youth 15 years and younger to a shift:

The parent/guardian should sign up for a shift on their personal site, then email volunteers@lakeviewpantry.org stating the youth's name and what shift they would like to be added to. The Volunteer Team will then send you a confirmation email that the youth has been added to the shift. All youth 15 years and younger must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. If you would like to chaperone for someone else's youth, we must receive written approval from the youth's parents.

Volunteer opportunities for youth depend on their age. Please click [here](#) to see all youth volunteer opportunities.

Group Volunteer Opportunities:

If you are looking to bring a group to volunteer, please email volunteers@lakeviewpantry.org.



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Other Ways to Help Lakeview Pantry

Thank you for your support!

- **Donate Now:** Plus, ask your employer if they will match your donation. You can also sign up to become a Pantry Partner, donating on a monthly basis. To make a donation, visit lakeviewpantry.org/donate or contact us at development@lakeviewpantry.org to learn about our Annual Fund and how your donation makes a difference!
- **Fundraise for Us:** Host an event to benefit Lakeview Pantry or launch a personal campaign to raise money from your friends and family. For more information, visit www.lakeviewpantry.org/fundraise-for-us or contact Kathryn Lyons at kathryn@lakeviewpantry.org, 773-849-9357.
- **Plan a Food Drive:** Help us keep our shelves stocked by planning a food drive. For more information, visit www.lakeviewpantry.org/host-a-food-drive or contact Bill Thomas at glenn@lakeviewpantry.org, 773-525-1777 ext. 267.
- **Become a Sponsor:** Whether you represent a corporation, grocer, or are an individual donor, we have various sponsorship opportunities available that offer you recognition at our events, on our website and at our new building. To learn more about our sponsorship levels and the opportunities available, visit www.lakeviewpantry.org/ways-to-help/corporate-sponsorship-opportunities or contact the Development Team at development@lakeviewpantry.org, (773) 525-1777.
- **Connect with Us Online:** Sign up for our e-newsletter at www.lakeviewpantry.org/news-events and follow us on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram and LinkedIn @LakeviewPantry!

We are grateful for your support, and we want you to stay in touch!

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