CORPORATE VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT





United Way of Rhode Island's Volunteer Engagement team works to deepen partnerships by supporting companies' Corporate Social Responsibility goals. We give employees a meaningful opportunity to give back to their community through charitable giving and volunteerism. Some community engagement examples are provided.

IN-PERSON VOLUNTEER

Team Volunteer Day - Plan a volunteer day with United Way. Your employees can participate in a hands-on, teambuilding volunteer project at a local nonprofit directly serving the community. Just inform us about your areas of interest, the size of your group, and your geographical location, and we will identify and create a meaningful volunteer engagement project for your team. We will arrange a registration link for your employees, collaborate with the nonprofit to coordinate the project, capture photos, and express gratitude to each volunteer.

VIRTUAL OPPORTUNITIES

Breaking the Cycle - (any weekday, up to 30 volunteers): Join us for a virtual, interactive workshop on poverty. In this workshop, you will take on the role of a low-income family with a limited budget. You will make tough decisions about how to allocate resources. Through discussions and information about poverty in Rhode Island, this experience will provide a better understanding of the complexities of poverty and inspire local change.

Equity Challenge (June) - Take meaningful action to raise your awareness of Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion (JEDI). This self-guided journey takes 20 minutes a day for five workdays. Participants will receive a daily email that presents resources to read, watch, or listen to. This project can be undertaken as a synchronized companywide initiative, or individuals can participate independently. Participants will earn an Equity Challenge Champion certificate.

DRIVES - Hold a drive at your worksite to help those in need. The list of needs is continually growing and includes children's books, clothing, diapers, food, hygiene kits, new home kits, snack packs for kids, toys, winter coats and mittens, work clothes, holiday gifts for children and isolated seniors, and more. There are virtual purchase and ship options available for your drive. United Way can work with you to determine the best approach to meet your goals and provide technical assistance in setting up and implementing your internal drive. We will even find a nonprofit to take your donated items.

