

## Volunteer Opportunities to Serve NOW

**Childcare for essential personnel** The two YMCAs and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Tuscaloosa have started childcare for children of healthcare and essential personnel. They need childcare workers to assist. There is a job description and a background check is required. This service is for children 6 years old to 14 years old. It is daily, 6:45 a.m. to 7:15 p.m., in shifts at the three sites. These are paid positions.

They also need volunteers to help clean the facilities every hour. This will be in addition to the regular cleaning which is done by the staff. There is an application for this volunteer opportunity too.

If you are interested in either of these positions, contact the church office for the applications ([contact@fumct.org](mailto:contact@fumct.org)) or the YMCA at [nbboggs@ymcatusc.org](mailto:nbboggs@ymcatusc.org).

**Meals on Wheels** delivers a hot meal to homebound seniors each day at noon. They are seeking volunteers because many of their volunteer drivers are retired and fit in the “at risk” category. If you would like to volunteer on a temporary basis to help them through this crisis, call Diane at (205) 469-0383. The time commitment is minimal. You will call at 9 a.m. to see if they need you to drive that day. You report to the kitchen at 10:30 a.m. and get your route, instructions and the prepared meal. Meal delivery begins at 11 a.m. and you will be finished by 1 p.m.

At this time, you will not have any contact with the recipient due to health concerns.

**The Community Soup Bowl** needs servers too. In order to comply with CDC guidelines, they have closed the dining area and are preparing plates to go. Your job would be to put the food on a plate and hand it out the door to a person or a family. The Soup Bowl is at 1711 23<sup>rd</sup> Avenue in downtown Tuscaloosa and the serving time is 10:45 a.m. until 1 p.m.

If you can help, please contact Lynne Richardson at (205) 556-4951 to get on the schedule.

**Tuscaloosa’s One Place** is a family resource center. Their offices are at 810 27<sup>th</sup> Ave. They are preparing a mobile food bank and they need help starting April 3<sup>rd</sup> to package the food that they will distribute. The time commitment is 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. Anyone 18 and older who is healthy can email Kelsie Tibbetts at [ktibbetts@tuscaloosaoneplace.org](mailto:ktibbetts@tuscaloosaoneplace.org) to help.

**West Alabama Food Bank** needs help packing and distributing food boxes everyday from 9 – 11 a.m. Volunteers do not come in contact with clients. All boxes are loaded into the trunk of cars. Volunteers are asked to register on [volunteer@westalabamafoodbank.org](mailto:volunteer@westalabamafoodbank.org)

**Distribute meals to school children.** The Church of the Highlands is coordinating volunteers who do not work for the Tuscaloosa County School system to give out meals starting March 23<sup>rd</sup>. (County school employees will have another assignment through the schools). The time is 10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. If you are interested, call 205-710-6074.

The church will continue to find opportunities for you to serve. Please call the office at (205) 345-7261 and we can give you the most up to date information. Thank you for helping at this critical time.