



SOLANO VOLUNTEERS

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Solano Volunteers – Center for Volunteer & Nonprofit Leadership (CVNL)

Accomplishments Report for: July 1, 2025 – May 8, 2026

The following is a report for the Volunteer Solano Program that includes local meetings and events attended, presentations and demonstrations, nonprofit and government agencies registered, volunteers registered, available volunteer opportunities, and Days of Service conducted.

Volunteer Engagement and Portal Management

- Conducted outreach within the county, with nonprofits and volunteers, for the Solano Volunteers portal and promotion of the overall program.
- Provided technical assistance and troubleshooting to volunteers and agency users.
- 28 meetings/events/demonstrations attended to promote the portal and program.
- Maintained a growing social media presence: Solano Volunteers Facebook and Instagram Pages, including:
 - 1,703 Followers
 - 57,231 Impressions (total # of times content was displayed)
 - 10,874,802 Reach
 - 2.5% overall engagement rate (above average, according to industry standards)

Volunteer Recruitment, Matching & Engagement:

- 41 new volunteer opportunities during 2025-2026
- 51 new volunteers registered during 2025-2026
- 2,047 registered volunteers on the portal
- 5,679 unique individuals visited the Solano Volunteers matching portal during 2024 to search for volunteer opportunities

Volunteer Portal Narrative:

While most contract metrics continue to meet or exceed expectations (including strong volunteer registration and engagement levels), the number of active volunteer opportunities currently reflected in the system is lower than figures reported in previous years.

CVNL determined that several factors likely contributed to this reduction, including inconsistent historical definitions of what qualified as an "active" opportunity, differences in how one-time versus ongoing opportunities were counted, and staff transitions that impacted reporting continuity.

Despite the lower number of currently active opportunities, volunteer engagement on the platform remains strong,

reinforcing CVNL's confidence that the issue is primarily related to historical measurement methodology and data management practices rather than reduced community participation.

CVNL has initiated a focused outreach and rebuilding strategy that includes direct engagement with agencies currently registered on the portal, support for agencies in posting and maintaining active opportunities, outreach to organizations not yet utilizing the platform, and ongoing data cleanup efforts to ensure more accurate and consistent reporting moving forward.

As part of our strategy, CVNL will propose a revised benchmark of 100 volunteer opportunities submitted or posted during the first quarter of the upcoming fiscal year, with incremental increases of 25 additional opportunities in each subsequent quarter. This phased approach will support sustainable growth while establishing clearer standards for tracking and reporting active volunteer opportunities going forward.

Days of Service:

1) Family Volunteer Day

November 24, 2025

Number of Volunteers: 315 - 47 volunteers on packing day and 268 volunteers on the day of the event.

Solano Volunteers served as a sponsoring agency for the event; included in marketing and communication materials; provided breakfast and lunch for all participating volunteers.

Project Description: Solano Volunteers partnered with Operation Gobble-Gobble Food Box Distribution with Assembly Member Lori Wilson's Office. There were 1,488 households and 6,248 individuals served. Fourth year participating in this event.

2) Martin Luther King, Jr. Day

January 20, 2026

Number of Volunteers: 30

Project Description: Partnered with the Vallejo NAACP for the MLK, Jr. March and Community Program. The community expanded this year's celebration to a three-day event and held a peaceful march from Kentucky Street along Mare Island Way, demonstrating unity and strength. Participants gathered and paid tribute to Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., with a powerful reminder of his words about perseverance and collective progress.

3) Earth Day Event

Number of Volunteers: 262 volunteers collected over 4,300 pounds of trash across 11 Solano County sites.

Project Description: Solano Volunteers provided marketing and social media outreach for the Earth Day volunteer events to engage the community in volunteer service and provided clean-up supplies for the event. Our staff attended Andrew's Park site and supported over 50 volunteers.

4) World Environment Day

June 5, 2026

TBD – details on this activity will be provided after the event takes place.

Disaster Preparedness & Response

Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD): An umbrella group of nonprofits and government agencies working together to prepare for disasters.

- The VOAD membership consists of 85 agencies.
- Added various organizations to the roster during this reporting period, including: Benicia Community Foundation, California Human Development, Solano Family Justice Center and Lutheran Social Services.
- Facilitated and provided administrative support for monthly VOAD and Executive Board meetings, which centered on the theme of communication during both routine operations and emergencies.
- Continue dedicated storage unit for the VOAD via funding originally obtained from the United Way of the Bay Area. Since March 2026, CVNL has funded and managed the storage unit.
- Maintained a growing social media presence:

Solano VOAD Facebook page:

719 Followers

4,637 Impressions (total # of times content was displayed)

1,628 Reach (# of people who saw content)

Solano Volunteers in the Media

Earth Day 2026

- <https://cvnl.org/262-solano-county-volunteers-participate-in-the-2026-earth-day-cleanup/>
- <https://www.solanorcd.org/?view=article&id=77:volunteers-swarm-solano-county-waterways-to-clear-debris&catid=18>

National Volunteer Month 2026

- <https://www.facebook.com/solanovolunteers/posts/pfbid02MNm4Gp3tUmKLW49XNts6XMjQrvXmReA1Ti3Hu4gT9FL5ndZ2udU63Wzqhz4t3SaGI>
- https://motioncount.com/challenge?return=%2Fmatters%2FsolanocountyCA_c9cbc43f790af2e9

Health Resource Fair 2026

- https://www.instagram.com/p/DWjsgOu?utm_source=ig_web_copy_link&igsh=NTc4MTIwNjQ2YQ%3D%3D

MLK Day of Service 2026

- <https://www.pressdemocrat.com/2026/01/14/mlk-day-events-across-sonoma-napa-counties-emphasize-service-community/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/solanovolunteers/posts/pfbid02fE59G6wMRdAPkFs4CRWV9GAZVQcvB8Cwf sbB7bKZsXAVBkRwqdeYS1B4UDgDX1H2I>

Operation Gobble Gobble 2025

- <https://www.thereporter.com/2025/11/19/operation-gobble-gobble-set-to-feed-thousands/>

Suisun City Strong, Emergency Preparedness Fair

- <https://www.suisun.com/Events-directory/Suisun-City-Strong-Emergency-Preparedness-Fair>