



Volunteering with Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa

About Us: Loaves and Fishes is a 501(C)3 nonprofit founded in 1983. **The mission of Loaves and Fishes of Contra Costa is to provide community-based food programs and partner services that focus on basic needs.**

We are the largest provider of hot meals to the hungry in Contra Costa County, serving over 133,000 hot meals this fiscal year in our dining rooms.

- **Minimum age to serve with a supervising adult is age 12. Volunteers must be able to stand between 3-4 hours, lift up to 25 pounds, and assist with clean up.**
- **Volunteers must complete an online application in VolunteerHub prior to volunteering.**

Dress Code: Long pants, closed-toe shoes, no sleeveless shirts, long hair up or back. This is a health code, and we must comply otherwise a volunteer may be asked to leave.

Locations and Shifts (All Shifts are Monday to Friday):

- **Martinez:** 835 Ferry Street (corner of Ferry and Green), 9:30am to 1:15pm, 6-8 volunteers
- **Pittsburg:** 1415 Simpson Court (off East Leland), 9:30am to 1:15pm, 6-8 volunteers
- **Oakley:** 1403 N. Main Street, 10:15am to 1pm, 4-6 volunteers
- **Antioch:** 403 W. 6th St (American Legion Hall), 10am to 1pm, 4-6 volunteers
- **Central Kitchen:** 510 Garcia Ave, Unit H, 9am to 12pm, 4 volunteers

Volunteers are placed by the Volunteer Manager based on need in dining rooms, interest, and availability. Shifts are subject to change as needed. At times we may move/cancel your volunteer shift to accommodate certain Corporate Volunteers, National Charity League or for Week of Caring.

New volunteers are given an orientation and will be supervised by the Dining Room Manager upon arrival. Please view our website for other important information to familiarize yourself with our organization.

Specific Volunteer Duties:

- Notify dining room manager of arrival, put on name tag, wash hands and put gloves on, then ask dining room manager for specific duties
- Assist in setup of dining room
- Light food preparation: green salad, fruit salad, bread/butter
- Serve meal (buffet style) at specific station
- Help bus, clean trays/cups
- Assist in take down/cleanup of dining room

Possible duties that may also be assigned: Help unload vehicles when donated groceries arrive, roll silverware, replenish food from the kitchen as it runs out, etc.

Please do not bring purses or other valuables when you volunteer as we cannot be responsible for lost items. If you have specific questions, please email us at: info@loavesfishescc.org.

Thank you! We look forward to having you volunteer with us to help feed the hungry of Contra Costa County!