



Inspire to Serve

A Volunteer Service Initiative Sponsored by
the Network Volunteer Center and Thrivent!

Each year, the Network Volunteer Center partners with many service organizations in town to host our annual Volunteer Fair to promote community volunteerism. For the second year in a row, we would like to go a step further and encourage volunteer projects during National Volunteer Week, April 14th-22nd, 2018. The hope is that our community volunteer projects can inspire more people to serve their community *AND* have a greater impact in the community. The winning Inspire to Serve projects will be announced April 7th at the Volunteer Fair and will receive \$250 from Thrivent Financial in seed money to help fund their project!

Here are the requirements for the project:

- 1) Organizations interested must complete the Inspire to Serve Project Entry Form and return it to the Network Volunteer Center by 5:00 pm, Thursday, March 15th. The entry forms can be sent by mail (975 S. Mesquite St., LC, NM 88001) or via email (thenetwork@las-cruces.org).
- 2) All organizations taking part in the Inspire to Serve project must also be a participating organization in the April 8th Volunteer Fair.
- 3) Projects will be judged by the Steering Committee members and Network Volunteers on the following criteria:
 - Ingenuity—How creative, clever, fun, and/or original is your project?
 - Inspiration—How does your project inspire others to serve? How many will be serving? Does the project encourage community partnerships?
 - Impact—Who does your project impact? How does your project positively affect an identified need?
- 4) All projects must take place during National Volunteer Week, (April 14-April 22nd).



Questions: Contact Network
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We hope that many of our long-time Volunteer Fair partners will participate in this community endeavor. Even if your project does not win the seed money, we still encourage participants to hold their service event. The Network Volunteer Center will work hard to promote your event and encourage Network Volunteers to come help!