



Passion into Action: Deciding How to Serve

Once you take the plunge into service, you may be surprised at how many ways you can help others. In fact, it might be a little overwhelming. There may be dozens of agencies in your neighborhood looking for volunteers; you could find online service opportunities; or you may have a desire to help the people who live next door.

You know what issues you are passionate about. You want to do something to help. But how do you decide on a service activity?

Your service activity should be something you will enjoy doing. It's an opportunity to use your passion and skills to help others (or to develop your personal or professional skills), meet others, and make a difference in your community. Here are a few things to think about:

- What do you most enjoy doing with/for others?

- When you look back on this time in your life, what is something that will stick in your memory? Why?

- What do you want to accomplish?

- What kinds of service projects or activities would you like to do?

- How much time do you have to devote to service?
