



## Approved Sites

This list contains service sites suitable for all students. All opportunities listed below are also accepted as approved sites for junior students. **Juniors do have the opportunity to propose their own site as long as it creates space for first hand contact with people who are underserved or marginalized.** Please communicate with Mr. Lethcoe in the Student Ministry Office for approval of particular sites not listed below before serving! Also, be sure to call ahead to inquire about specific volunteering forms that may need to be filled out prior to your service; do not just show up without contacting the organization first. Always remember that you represent the entire Xavier community and the Catholic faith when you serve.

*Any questions regarding service sites, logging hours into x2VOL, or getting a new site approved, please contact Mr. Lethcoe at [jlethcoe@xavierprep.org](mailto:jlethcoe@xavierprep.org)*

### **Dress Code:**

*For all organizations, unless specifically noted, Xavier students must wear long pants, closed toed shoes, and a Xavier shirt. Xavier shirts may include the athletic shirts, house shirts, or polos. Men are allowed to wear athletic bottoms. No short-shorts, see-through pants, ripped-up pants, or yoga pants allowed. For further questions, please contact Mr. Lethcoe.*

### **Before Volunteering**

*To ensure that you'll be able to volunteer at the site of your interest, please contact the site at least one day in advance to schedule your visit and see if there is any required paperwork before your arrival.*

### **X2VOL**

*All students must log in completed hours to x2VOL within one week of completion. We want to ensure that our partnered organizations are not getting overwhelmed with last minute submissions before deadlines. Any hours submitted after a week of completion will not be counted towards your service hour requirement. Organizations may take a while to verify student hours so please be patient.*

## Mentor Programs:

- **Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Desert**  
Working with children to help with homework and mentor them  
-Contact: Kiara Felix  
-Phone: (760) 568-3977  
-Email: [KiaraBBBSD@aol.com](mailto:KiaraBBBSD@aol.com)  
-Website: <http://www.bbbsdesert.org/>

**Notes:** Students who are interested in Big Brothers, Big Sisters need to apply immediately. There is an application and pairing process in order to match you with a student who has a personality similar to yours.

## ***Boys & Girls Clubs of the Desert***

### ***\*Application Required***

*Boys & Girls Club of Desert Hot Springs:*

- 11-750 Cholla Dr, Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240

-(760) 329-8800

-<https://www.bgcofcv.org/>

*Boys & Girls Club of Palm Springs:*

-450 S Sunrise Way, Palm Springs, CA 92262

-(760) 327-1304

<https://www.bgcps.org/volunteer>

*Boys & Girls Club of Cathedral City:*

-Contact: Alyssa Milward

-Email: alymilward@gmail.com

-32141 Whispering Palms Trail, Cathedral City, CA 92234

-(760) 324-5844

-<https://www.bgcccity.org/>

*Boys & Girls Club of Palm Desert- Headquarters*

-Phone: (760) 836-1160

-Headquarters Address: 42600 Cook St #120 Palm Desert, CA 92211

-Website: <http://www.bgcofcv.org/>

*Boys & Girls Club of La Quinta:*

-Contact: Mayra Dubose

-Email: mavpcm9884@gmail.com

-49995 Moon River Dr, La Quinta, CA 92253

-(760) 564-5555

-Website: <http://www.bgcofcv.org/>

*Boys & Girls Club of Indio:*

-Contact: Ron Houston

-Email: [bgcdhsmaria2@aol.com](mailto:bgcdhsmaria2@aol.com)

-83100 Date Ave, Indio, CA 92201

-(760) 347-5712

-<https://www.bgcofcv.org/>

\*Students must put Ron's contact information to verify hours at this location

*Boys & Girls Club of Coachella:*

-Contact: Jose Perez

-Email: jperezbgca@yahoo.com

-85350 Bagdad Ave, Coachella, CA 92236

-(760) 398-5287

-<https://www.bgcofcv.org/>

**Notes:** Students who are interested in volunteering at Boys & Girls Club of the Desert need to contact the individual site to learn about volunteer opportunities and set times to volunteer. Sites may require to pay for a membership fee. However, it can be waived as a volunteer. To find out more information, go to the site of your interest.

- ***Birth Choice of the Desert:***  
 -Phone: (760) 775-5683  
 -Address: 79440 Corporate Centre Dr #106, La Quinta, CA 92253  
 -Email: bcdprc@gmail.com

## **Mentoring and Coaching Students with Disabilities:**

- ***Desert Arc***  
 -Contact: Cheryl L. Curley  
 -Office: (760) 346-1611 x 405  
 -Email: ccurley@desertarc.org  
 -3255 Country Club Dr, Palm Desert, CA 92260  
 -Website: [www.desertarc.org](http://www.desertarc.org)

**Notes:** Desert Arc provides services for the Down Syndrome community. Specific opportunities will be sent through x2VOL.

- ***Baseball Buddies***  
 -\*Seasonal placement (Spring Only)\*  
 -Contact: Lisa Manning  
 -Email: ANGELS5M@aol.com  
 -Location: Freedom Park ( 77400 Country Club Dr, Palm Desert, CA 92211)  
 -When: Mondays at 5pm

**Notes:** Students will play baseball with students with disabilities every Monday.

### ***VIP (Very Important Players) Program with AYSO Soccer:***

- \*Seasonal placement (10 weeks beginning in October)\*  
 -Contact: Nellie Castro  
 -Email: lqaysoregistrar@gmail.com  
<https://www.ayso443.org/Default.aspx?tabid=855460>

**Notes:** There are 50+ players that range from 2yrs old to 30 yrs old. This program is for players with mental and or physical disabilities. There are players with autism, Down syndrome, spina bifida, deaf, blind, and some kids that have been through traumatic events in their lives. All of these families are in need of financial assistance and get to play for free. There is an hour game every Saturday for 10 weeks, beginning the first Saturday in October. Most of the players need help following the ball and running up and down the field. That is where our VIP Buddies come into play. We have youth volunteers that assist these players at every game.

**-Students must sign up using the link above. They will have to go through a training process in order to become a buddy or referee.**

## *Migrant Outreach Initiatives:*

- ***Galilee Center***

-Contact: Lupe Torres

-Email: ltorres@galileecenter.org

-Phone: (760) 396-2100

-Address: 66101 Hammond Rd, Mecca, CA 92254

-Website: <http://galileecenter.org/>

**Notes:** Galilee Center is the first shelter in the Coachella Valley that is specific for migrant farm workers. They have food distribution every Thursday afternoon beginning at 3:30. Students are asked to be at Galilee Center by 3:15 p.m. **Make sure to call Lupe to let her know that you will be volunteering.**

- ***Catholic Charities: Refugee & Immigration Services***

-4659 83180, Requa Ave #9, Indio, CA 92201

-(760) 342-0157

-Website: <http://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org>

**Notes:** Immigration & Refugee Services provide information, assistance and BIA-accredited consultation to help non-citizens navigate the application process for naturalization, adjustment of status, work permits, fiancé visas, green card replacement, and other immigration remedies. Trained volunteers provide citizenship classes designed to assist prospective citizens in preparing for the USCIS naturalization interview and exam. **Go to Catholic Charities' website to sign up to help give classes.**

## *Senior Living Facilities:*

- ***Atria Senior Living Facility***

-Contact: Teresa Ramirez

-Phone: (760) 469-4478

-Address: 44300 San Pascual Ave. Palm Desert, CA 92260

[www.atriaseniorliving.com/retirement-communities/atria-palm-desert-palm-desert-ca/](http://www.atriaseniorliving.com/retirement-communities/atria-palm-desert-palm-desert-ca/)

- ***The Palms @ La Quinta***

\*Opportunities to serve at The Palms are coordinated through Mr. Lethcoe and the Senior Outreach Club (SOCS) on campus.

Club President: Ricardo Diaz- Class of 2023.

## *Homeless Services:*

- ***Coachella Valley Rescue Mission***

- \*Application Required***

- Volunteer Coordinator: Desire' Tegge

- Phone: (760) 347-3512 ext. 221

- Address: 47470 Van Buren St, Indio, CA 92201

- Email: dtegge@cvmr.org

- Website: <https://www.cvmr.org/ways-to-give/volunteer/>

**Notes:** You may work in the kitchen serving meals or helping to tutor residents.

- ***Martha's Village and Kitchen***

- \*Application Required***

- Volunteer Coordinator: Marc Gentzler

- Address: 83791 Date Ave, Indio, CA 92201

- Phone: 760.347.4741, ext. 310

- Email: mgentzler@marthasvillage.org

- Volunteer Website: <http://www.marthasvillage.org/volunteers.htm>

- ***The Narrow Door***

- Phone: (760) 775-6200

- Address: 43052 Madison St #101 Indio, CA 92201

- Website: <http://www.thenarrowdoor.org/>

**Notes:** The Narrow Door seeks to connect people to God and a supporting community. They do this by providing free public assistance that calls for immediate action in the areas of hunger relief, homelessness, clothing, hygiene, and discipleship programs.

They provide food distribution on Madison St. every Saturday at 9 a.m.

- ***Neighbors 4 Neighbors:***

- Volunteer Coordinator: Chet Hecht

- Phone: (760) 346-2697 ext. 102

- Email: cheth@stmargarets.org

- Address: 47535 Hwy 74, Palm Desert, California 92260 – Sanctuary Building, lower level across the Meyers Patio.

- ***Mission Outreach Project:***

- 66030 Desert View Ave, Desert Hot Springs, CA 92240

- (760) 774-3517