COVID-19 & VOLUNTEERING

Volunteer Requirements

- Minimum age for shifts is 12+. Garden Shifts are all ages. Anyone under 16 must be accompanied by an adult (18+) chaperone.
- New Volunteers are required to complete the New Volunteer Application before you attend your first shift.
- If you are doing these hours for Mandated Community Service, please fill out the application. Program approval usually takes 3 days and is required before your first shift.

Mask Mandates

- Food Repack/Sort Shifts: Beginning Friday, April 1, 2022, masks/face coverings will become optional for volunteers at all times inside Oregon Food Bank facilities in Portland and Beaverton. We continue to center the health and safety of our clients, volunteers and staff in all we do. We encourage you to do what is best for you and will continue to monitor and update based on state and CDC recommendations.
- Offsite Shifts: Please continue to bring and be prepared to wear a mask/face covering to offsite volunteer shifts at Partner Agencies, and Free Food Markets.
- **Garden Shifts:** Please wear a mask upon arrival for orientation and when accessing indoor spaces. Masks are optional in the garden working on projects.

COVID-19 Requirements

- Beginning Monday, December 6, 2021 proof of vaccination will be required to volunteer in food repack/sort shifts at Oregon Food Bank's Portland and Beaverton locations.
- Acceptable forms of proof are a CDC vaccination card, a photocopy of the card, or a photo of the card on a mobile device or Healthcare App. Cardholders must be at least two weeks past receiving their second dose in a two-dose series (Pfizer-BioNTech or Moderna), or a single-dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine.
- Eligibility to receive the COVID-19 vaccine has expanded. Everyone 5+ is eligible for a vaccine. Please refer to the Oregon Health Authority for more information. We encourage and support this massive vaccination effort so we can all #EmergeStronger!
- To account for social distancing every volunteer must register ahead of time. Each shift has a limited number of spots. Walk-ins may be turned away.



COVID-19 Restrictions

Please note that restrictions related to COVID-19 continue to be in effect for all volunteer shifts, please consider other ways to contribute if you or someone in your household:

- Has a cough, fever 99.5 or higher, or any type of respiratory illness (seek medical advice)
- Has headaches, tiredness, body aches, chills, sore throat, sneezing, stuffy or runny nose, difficulty breathing, loss of taste/smell, nausea/vomiting, diarrhea
- Has been in close contact or caring for someone who is suspected or confirmed to have COVID-19
- If you're a returning resident or you've traveled to Oregon from outside the state, please refer to Oregon Health Authority requirements

Thank you for your support in protecting the health and well-being of our communities and the broader food stream!

