



Did you know there is a direct correlation between happiness and volunteering? A recent study¹ showed that people who volunteer monthly are 7% more likely to be "very happy" compared with people who never volunteered. This statistic increases to 12% for people who volunteer every two to four weeks.

The Pioneers have a long legacy of volunteerism, dating back to 1911 with 734 members, including Alexander Graham Bell. Today the Pioneers are over 500,000 strong and are the largest group of industry-specific employees and retirees dedicated to community service.

Pioneers is a network of volunteers who effect immediate, tangible change in local communities.

The more people volunteer, the happier they are.



Our projects are as diverse as the communities we serve. We focus our efforts on five initiatives to make a difference in the unique needs of our hometowns.

#### **Education**

Our educational programs emphasize literacy, personal development, technological skills and mentoring.

#### Life Enrichment

We care for senior citizens and people with disabilities. Life enrichment projects include building wheelchair ramps and educating seniors on modern technology.

#### **Health and Human Service**

In times of crisis, the Pioneers are there to help. From stocking food banks during natural disasters to providing gifts for children in need during the holidays, no need is too big or too small.

#### **Environment**

Caring for our environment is important to Pioneers. You will see us cleaning up parks and beaches, building trails and ramps and championing recycle projects.

### **Military**

We support our military by providing care packages for those serving overseas and helping the families here at home stay connected.





We want you to join us in making a difference. Become a member by registering online at www.pioneersvolunteer.org or by completing a membership form. Dues are \$22 per year. Not only does this enroll you as a Pioneer, but you will have access to the many member benefits offered by our partners. Each of our benefit partners are carefully chosen to provide the best discounts and value to our members.

Education	<ul><li>Discounts on books, shipping and more</li><li>Career exploration and planning</li></ul>
Health and Fitness	<ul><li>Hearing Aids</li><li>Weight Loss</li></ul>
Insurance	<ul><li>Auto, Home and Renters</li><li>Long Term Care</li><li>Life Insurance</li></ul>
Retailers	<ul><li>Discounts on personal computers</li><li>Identity theft protection</li></ul>
Travel and Entertainment	<ul><li> Hotel and motel reservations</li><li> Car reservations</li><li> Santa tours</li></ul>

# Join Today!

Volunteering builds

empathy,

strengthens

social bonds

and makes you

SMILE.

## Pioneers by the numbers:



Visit Us online www.pioneersvolunteer.org

Connect with us







