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Cloud Peak Energy supports the communities in which it operates in a number of ways. The company encourages volunteerism among its employees, maintains a matching gifts program, provides a mechanism for organizations to directly approach them for funding and conducts and responds to community needs assessments, which allow community leaders to set key priorities.

Together with Cloud Peak Energy Inc. and the Gillette News Record, ServeWyoming hopes that this Guide inspires you to get involved and make a difference in your community. So take a look, circle your favorite opportunities, and make the call or send the email that gets you involved. Whether you have one day a week, one day a month, or one day a year to volunteer there is an opportunity that will allow you to make a significant impact on your community!

In Service,

Rachel Chadderdon
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PROJECTS

Serve Wyoming promotes collaborative efforts among private, non-profit and governmental organizations that advance community service, volunteer programs and activities in each Wyoming community. We also collaborate with other Corporation for National & Community Service programs such as AmeriCorps*VISTA and Senior Corps. Serve Wyoming gives every citizen an opportunity to help solve our biggest challenges in education, the environment, public safety, human needs, and homeland security.

In addition to coordinating funding for organizations throughout the state, our Commission has the role of developing, communicating and promoting a statewide vision and ethic of service in Wyoming. To attain this, we are working on a variety of projects which include:

**AMERICORPS*STATE**
Providing funding to recruit AmeriCorps members and training to manage and operate AmeriCorps programs across Wyoming. Projects may vary to meet community needs and application process begins in the Fall of each year.

**DISABILITY INCLUSION & AWARENESS**
Serve as a resource to promote inclusion in volunteerism.

**EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS**
Serve as a neutral convener to mobilize and train volunteers in the time of an emergency or disaster.

**PARTNERSHIP BUILDING**
Develop investments and partnerships to sustain ServeWyoming and the programs we support.

**PRO BONO VOLUNTEER NETWORK**
Increase nonprofit capacity through the engagement of highly skilled volunteers.

**PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT & TRAINING**
Increase grantee capacity and statewide awareness of national service through professional development, training and technical assistance, member development, and outreach.

**VOLUNTEER WYOMING**
Serve as a resource to our communities and increase the number and effectiveness of volunteers in Wyoming.
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PROGRAMS

Proudly Supports These Programs:

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Sheridan County YMCA
Teton Science Schools
UW Center for Service, Leadership & Community Engagement
Wyoming Coalition Against Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault
Wyoming Conservation Corps - University of Wyoming
Volunteers are an integral part of the Wyoming community, providing a valuable service to our neighborhoods, schools, health facilities, and community organizations. By generously donating their time and talents to people in need, volunteers positively impact the quality of life of others and strengthen the community. Whether educating children, aiding the ill, enriching culture, protecting the environment, or feeding the hungry, your favorite organization needs your help.

Wyoming volunteers make a positive difference in communities all around the State. In 2010, more than 139,291 Wyoming residents reported serving 15.4 million hours of service for a nonprofit or community organization. This translates to more than $292 million in value to communities and organizations around the state.

In 2007, ServeWyoming launched a program designed to connect potential volunteers with organizations across the state, and to measurably increase the number and effectiveness of volunteers. We call this program Volunteer Wyoming. Volunteer Wyoming currently has 9 demonstration sites in which a Volunteer Center has been established and a ServeWyoming representative together with a local contact person serve as the volunteer leader for local efforts. Those sites include: Albany, Campbell, Converse, Fremont, Goshen, Laramie, Natrona, Sheridan and Sublette Counties. The online matching database, www.volunteerwyoming.org has been a vital part of the program, and this summer we upgraded the system to have a cleaner more user friendly interface to make it easier to use for volunteers, corporate partners and nonprofit organizations.

What does this mean for organizations and volunteers who have existing accounts? All accounts were transferred, and usernames will be defaulted to the user’s email address. Once you login to the same web address . . . www.volunteerwyoming.org or www.servewyoming.org and click on “Volunteer now!” you will be asked to reset your password. All of your previous information will be migrated to the new system, so there is no need to repost old volunteer opportunities.

Interested in signing up as a volunteer or organization? Go to www.servewyoming.org, click on “Volunteer Now!” and select if you are an individual or an organization. Fill in the information fields and you will be on your way to a great volunteer connection. As a reminder, your email address will serve as your user name.

As our state’s governor-appointed commission for service and volunteerism, ServeWyoming strives to build a culture of citizenship, service and responsibility in Wyoming. It is our mission to improve lives and strengthen Wyoming communities through volunteerism. ServeWyoming promotes volunteering and service as a means to strengthen communities through days of service, special initiatives, and community partnerships. As a result of the Volunteer Wyoming program in 2011, we have served more than 7,800 people who reported serving 16,500 hours. These volunteers contributed $335,435 in value to our state. We also address community needs by administering AmeriCorps*State funding that allows AmeriCorps members to serve in nonprofit, community-based and educational organizations throughout Wyoming.

Please consider volunteering or increasing your commitment to community service. The rewards are immediate, lasting, and deeply appreciated. You can contact us at 866-737-8304 or go to www.servewyoming.org and click on “Volunteer Now!”
Advocacy for Visual Arts (AVA)

Janitor (Construction/Home and Lawn Maintenance, General):
Sweep, mop, dust, general cleaning of building. Possible outside maintenance as well.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Youth, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Administrative Helper (Administration/Organizational Support, General):
Assist with filing, bulk mailing, general office type work.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 14
Good For: Youth, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Helper (Administration/Organizational Support, Construction/Home and Lawn Maintenance, General, Special Event Support):
General help with organizing and cleaning/moving tables and boxes, etc., assist teachers and staff.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 16
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Building a better community by enriching lives through art.
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American Cancer Society

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide, community-based, voluntary health organization dedicated to eliminating cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives, and diminishing suffering from cancer, through research, education, advocacy, and service.

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Relay For Life Volunteer (Administration/Organizational, Support, Advocacy, Board/Committee Members, Communications/Marketing, General, Health/Personal Care, Internship, Recreational Activities, Special Event Support, Youth):
There are several ways to volunteer with the Relay For Life, on the comitee, as a team captain, or as a participant.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18; Minimum Age w/Adult: 14
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Cancer Resource Center Volunteer (Counseling Information Support, Customer Service, Education, General, Health/Personal Care):
As a CRC volunteer you will help cancer patients by fitting wigs, getting information about their cancer, being supportive and helping make their cancer journey easier. This position is located at the Cancer Resource Center located inside the Cancer Center at Campbell County Memorial Hospital.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+
The American Red Cross prevents and alleviates human suffering in the face of emergencies by mobilizing the power of volunteers and the generosity of donors.

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Disaster Action Team (Disaster/Emergency Services):
Must be willing to be “on call” one shift per month.
Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Unit Leader (Civic Participation, Mentoring, Recreational Activities, Youth):
Any adult willing to register with Boy Scouts of America and willing to provide leadership and programs to Cub Scout Packs and Boy Scout Troops. Registration includes background check and specific training requirements.
Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 21; Minimum Age w/ Adult: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Merit Badge Counselor (Advocacy):
Any adult willing to register with Boy Scouts of America and willing to teach Scouts about specific fields and areas of interest in order to allow the Scout to earn Merit Badges. Requires adult to be proficient in the merit badge subject by vocation, avocation or special training. A list of Merit Badges can be found at meritbadge.org.
Occurrence: Semi-annually
Minimum Age: 21; Minimum w/ Adult: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP
Campbell County 4-H

4-H Adult Volunteer (Administration/Organizational Support, Advocacy, Animal Science, Arts/Culture, Board/Committee Members, Civic Participation, Communications/Marketing, Customer Service, Donations Management, Education, Environmental, General, Mentoring, Recreational Activities, Youth):

These volunteers provide opportunities for youth to form positive relationships with adults, participate in hands-on learning activities and build developmental assets and life skills.

**Occurrence:** Monthly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Good For:** Adults 18+

Campbell County Chamber of Commerce

**Business Advocacy Committee** (Board/Committee Members):

The Business Advocacy Committee (BAC) helps to determine the direction to be taken by the Chamber in local, county and state government.

**Occurrence:** Monthly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Good For:** Adults 18+

**ChamberPak Assistant** (Special Event Support):

Assists with stuffing the ChamberPak mailer each month.

**Occurrence:** Monthly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Good For:** Adults 18+, Older adults 55+

**Retail Committee** (Board/Committee Members):

This group of dynamic individuals assist members in marketing, promoting shop locally, encouraging good customer service and aiding in the expansion of local business.

**Occurrence:** Monthly
**Minimum Age:** 18
**Good For:** Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+
Campbell County Genealogy Society

CAMPBELL COUNTY GENEALOGY SOCIETY

A nonprofit organization to assist and support family history research of its members, provide basic help to researchers, and encourages local information gathering.

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campbellcountygeanealogysociety@yahoo.com
(307)299-3709

Research Volunteer (Administration/Organizational Support, General):
Assist community members in family history research.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Campbell County Memorial Hospital

Providing and matching healthcare opportunities with citizens who have a desire to serve. Volunteers enhance patient care and service, empathy for families and visitors, and supportive services to CCMH staff.

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Gillette, WY 82717
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(307)688-1536

Education Volunteer Opportunities (Administration/Organizational Support, General):
Looking for a detail oriented individual who would like to assist with activities that revolve around maintaining current stock supplies and room readiness in the hospital wing at HSEC (Health Science Building at Gillette College).

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Central Billing Office Volunteer (Administration/Organizational Support, General):
A detailed oriented opportunity to scan charts, organize records, and verify documents.

Occurrence: Contact Organization
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Pioneer Manor Various Volunteer Opportunities
(General, Recreational Activities):
Resident shoppers, resident visitors, and active volunteers.

Occurrence: Contact Organization
Minimum Age: 18; Minimum Age w/ Adult: 12
Good For: Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+,
Campbell County Public Library

One-to-One Computer Instructor (Advocacy, Education):
Teaching library patrons how to use current technology. Computers, tablets (various), iPhone, and using Overdrive ebooks.
- Occurrence: Weekly
- Minimum Age: 18
- Good For: Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Outreach Volunteer (Board/Committee Members):
Assist with book selection and retrieval. Deliver library materials to home bound residents.
- Occurrence: Weekly
- Minimum Age: 20
- Good For: Adults 20+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

Library Children’s Department Aide (Administration/Organizational Support, Customer Service, General):
Assist staff with clerical tasks, basic computer skills, circulation activities, crafts, and minor materials repair.
- Occurrence: Monthly
- Minimum Age: 18; Minimum Age w/ Adult: 13
- Good For: Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Campbell County Rockpile Museum

Tasks include greeting visitors, answering questions, receiving telephone calls, gift shop sales, and assisting staff.
- Occurrence: Weekly
- Minimum Age: 18
- Good For: Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Event Volunteer (Arts/Culture, Customer Service, Education, Family Services, General, Recreational Activities, Special Event Support, Youth):
Tasks include assisting staff at a variety of historical and educational programs and events.
- Occurrence: Semi-annually
- Minimum Age: 14
- Good For: Youth, Disabled, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family
Gillette Abuse Refuge Foundation

To provide a comprehensive range of quality confidential services to meet the needs of those affected by domestic violence and/or sexual assault, and to reduce the elements that foster violence through community collaboration and education in Campbell County and Wyoming. GARF is sponsored by the Wyoming Office of the Attorney General, Division of Victim Services.

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(307) 686-8070

Gillette Community Theatre

Gillette Community Theatre entertains, engages, and educates people from all walks of life through theatrical performances and involvement with the community.

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Volunteer Advocates (Administration/Organizational Support, Advocacy, Communications/Marketing, Counseling Information Support, Donations Management, Education, Family Services, General, Special Event Support, Youth):
Assist with 24-hour crisis line, support groups, fundraising, administrative, public education, newsletter assistance, life skills, domestic violence and sexual assault advocacy, peer players and shelter assistance.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Actors (Arts/Culture, Education, Recreational Activities, Special Event Support, Youth):
Productions are cast with volunteers from the community; contact us for audition information.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 5
Good For: Youth, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Directors (Arts/Culture, Education, Mentoring, Recreational Activities, Special Event Support):
GCT is looking for community members with theatre experience to direct productions.

Occurrence: Semi-annually
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Tech Crew (Arts/Culture, Education, Recreational Activities, Special Event Support):
Tech crew volunteers assist backstage and with light and sound. No experience necessary.

Occurrence: Semi-annually
Minimum Age: 14
Good For: Youth, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+
IMPACT Youth Mentorship

Impact Youth Mentoring

To make a positive IMPACT on at-risk youth through support, encouragement, and relationship building while helping them develop life altering skills and exposing them to new and insightful events.

Mentor (Mentoring):
- A mentor provides role modeling, advocacy, friendship and support.
- Offers new ideas and new experiences.

Occurrence: Weekly
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

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Levis & Lace Square Dance Club

Square Dancing is friendship set to music.

Square Dancer (Customer Service, Family Services, General, Recreational Activities, Youth):
- A time of healthy, wholesome and inexpensive fellowship as well as an opportunity to learn new dances and connect with new people.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 12; Minimum Age w/ Adult: 10
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

Contact: Don Haney
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Life RU Ready?

Life RU Ready? is a “life-simulation” health fair for teens and parents designed to increase awareness of the consequences of the teen’s behavior, to decrease motivation to participate in risk-taking behavior, and to provide new opportunities for parent-teen communication.

Support Team (Advocacy, Civic Participation, Education, General, Special Event Support):
- Assist area coordinators to help bring to life the various consequences of teen risk behaviors ie: alcohol and substance use, tobacco use, impaired driving, suicide, teen pregnancy, etc.

Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Adults 18+

Contact: Joli Carr
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Gillette, WY 82717
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(307)687-6482

Peer Player (Advocacy, Civic Participation, Special Event Support):
- Peer Players act out scenes that depict a typical teen house party. Learn about advocating for healthy choices for yourself and your peers.

Occurrence: Semi-annually
Minimum Age: 15
Good For: Youth, Family
Make-A-Wish® Wyoming

We grant the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength, and joy.

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(307)234-9474

Salvation Army

An international movement (an evangelical part of the Universal Christian Church) whose ministry is to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discretion.

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VOLUNTEER TIPS

- The current estimated dollar value of volunteer time is $18.79 per hour in Wyoming. This number helps acknowledge the millions of individuals who dedicate their time, talents, and energy to making a difference. Charitable organizations use this estimate to quantify the enormous value volunteers provide.
- Choose your level of involvement: Spend time researching volunteer opportunities to find a good match with your interests, the amount of time you are willing to volunteer and the organizations that address issues you care about. You can choose to be involved at a variety of levels, from short-term episodic projects to longer-term skills-based opportunities such as serving on a board of directors.
- Volunteer from home (or work): You don’t have to go to a specific place to volunteer. You can collect food, clothing or pennies and donate them to an organization. Organizing project for your neighborhood, workplace or family is a flexible way to benefit a nonprofit of your choice.
- Looking to make some new friends and new connections? Volunteering is a great way for you to meet new people, find like-minded individuals, and get more connected with your community.
- Find the right fit: Determine what skills you have and what you would like to learn. Don’t be afraid to try new things. Volunteering is a great way to learn, grow and develop new skills.
- Start with what you know: Are you passionate about the work of a specific organization and want to help them achieve their mission? Do you like leading, coaching or mentoring others? Have you been volunteering a long time and seek more responsibility? Answering these questions can help you determine where and how you want to volunteer.

Wish Granter (Family Services):
Work with staff to grant wishes to children in Gillette and the surrounding areas.

Occurrence: Monthly
Minimum Age: 21
Good For: Adults

Christmas Bell Ringing Campaign
(Special Event Support):
Volunteers of any age needed to ring bells during our campaign beginning the Friday before Thanksgiving and ending December 24th.

Occurrence: Annually
Minimum Age: 18
Good For: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP
United Way of Campbell County

To provide an efficient and effective way for citizen’s to voluntarily care for one another through planning, fundraising, allocations and community involvement.

United Way of Campbell County Volunteer
(Administration/Organizational Support, Advocacy, Communications/Marketing, General, Internship): Continually willing to accept volunteers for assistance with office, campaign duties.

- **Occurrence**: Monthly
- **Minimum Age**: 18
- **Good For**: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Wright Community Assistance

Wright Community Assistance, helping people in their time of need.

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Wright, WY 82732
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(307)464-1544

Sales Position at the Community Closet (Administration/Organizational Support, Advocacy, Board/Committee Members, Special Event Support):

- Sorting, organizing and selling items at the food pantry.
- **Occurrence**: Weekly
- **Minimum Age**: 15; Minimum Age w/ Adult: 10
- **Good For**: Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

Board of Directors Members (Administration/Organizational Support, Advocacy, Board/Committee Members, Special Event Support):

- Meeting once a month to help guide the agency.
- **Occurrence**: Monthly
- **Minimum Age**: 25
- **Good For**: Adults 25+, Older Adults 55+

Food Pantry Volunteer (Civic Participation, Donations Management, General, Special Event Support):

- These individuals will be sorting and organizing the food.
- **Occurrence**: Monthly
- **Minimum Age**: 18; Minimum Age w/ Adults: 8
- **Good For**: Youth, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family

VOLUNTEER TIPS

- Challenge yourself to continually try new things! Not only does it make life more interesting, but it allows you to add more skills to your repertoire. Ever wondered what it would be like to search for fossils and go on digs? Get in touch with your museum. Always wanted to see what it’s like to be in the limelight? Talk to your local community theater. Are you a huge soccer fan? Be a coach. The possibilities are endless!

- Volunteer as a group. Do you want to build a greater sense of teamwork and strengthen relationships? Talk with the volunteer coordinator at an organization about volunteering with your friends and coworkers.
Wyoming Family Literacy

Custodial Engineers (Administration/Organizational Support, Family Services, Youth):

Need individuals who would enjoy picking up and cleaning up the playground. Also, need individuals to shampoo carpets and paint interior walls.

- **Occurrence**: Weekly
- **Minimum Age**: 15
- **Good For**: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family, RSVP

Adult Educator (Education, Family Services, Mentoring):

Need people to instruct adults about parenting and help to teach parents education principles.

- **Occurrence**: Weekly
- **Minimum Age**: 18
- **Good For**: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

Family Literacy Assistant (Education, Family Services, Youth):

You will be assisting teachers with instruction and leading young children.

- **Occurrence**: Weekly
- **Minimum Age**: 18
- **Good For**: Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, RSVP

Wyoming Game and Fish Department

Hunter Education Instructor (Administration/Organizational Support, Animal Science, Education, General, Mentoring):

Volunteers are needed to teach Hunter Education classes. A certification process is required.

- **Occurrence**: Monthly
- **Minimum Age**: 18
- **Good For**: Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+

Field Work Volunteers (Administration/Organizational Support, Animal Science, General):

Volunteers are needed for various field work done by the Game and Fish.

- **Occurrence**: Monthly
- **Minimum Age**: 18; Minimum Age w/ Adult: 16
- **Good For**: Youth, Disabled, Group, Adults 18+, Older Adults 55+, Family
Every month the national news is filled with sights, sounds and terrible costs associated with catastrophic weather related or other natural disasters. Though more fortunately located than some states, Wyoming is not immune from natural disasters.

On August 12, 2005, a deadly tornado hit Wright, Wyoming killing two people and injuring 13. This tornado was on the ground for about 15 minutes and damaged 40 to 50 mobile homes. In the span of two weeks in March and early April 2009, three blizzards hit Northeast Wyoming dumping a total of 24 to 58 inches of snowfall on our county. On August 23, 2011, the Rourke Fire, near the Wildwood Camp area, prompted a series of evacuations as the blaze charred over 4200 acres and threatened many structures. As demonstrated by the wild land fires Wyoming experienced this summer, critical fire weather conditions continue to exist reminding us that being prepared is of vital importance to help keep our residents and visitors safe.

As we all know from past events, it is important to plan ahead to ensure a rapid and successful response in times of disaster. This is why ServeWyoming has recently launched our Emergency Volunteer Management and Coordination Initiative, in partnership with the Wyoming Office of Homeland Security and the Wyoming Department of Workforce Services to conduct outreach and create a readiness campaign to recruit skill-specific volunteers whose services would be needed during and after a disaster.

When disasters do strike, well-meaning community members show up to disaster sites ready to help. But, without a pre-established, centralized location to organize and coordinate their efforts, their offers of help are often underutilized and even problematic to professional responders. By pre-registering with ServeWyoming, Campbell County residents will be prepared to use their valuable skills, talents and experiences when and where they are needed most.

ServeWyoming also encourages you to prepare by packing a “Go Kit” of items you would need or want if you had to evacuate – do it in advance, because you may have only a moment’s notice if you need to flee. The more people who are ready for an emergency, the safer and more secure our community will be.

For more information on the Emergency Volunteer Management and Coordination Initiative and how you can pre-register to volunteer during disaster, go to www.servewyoming.org or call us at (866)737-8304.
Success Stories

“As a small, young organization working on a statewide level, it is easy to become solely focused on AHW’s current projects and not set aside time to plan for the future. In March 2012 we received a ServeWyoming Service Grant for “non-profit management” and were paired with a Pro-Bono Volunteer, who had many years of non-profit experience. From guiding us through the final stages of drafting an attainable, succinct Strategic Plan to helping us create a Fundraising Plan, Conflict of Interest policy and board orientation materials, our Pro-Bono Volunteer has been a phenomenal mentor and her expertise is helping make AHW a stronger, sustainable organization that will thrive for years to come.”

Hilery Lindmier
Executive Director Alliance for Historic Wyoming

“The old adage ‘you can’t teach an old dog new tricks’ is not true when dealing with non-profit management! I have been working with Hilery Lindmier, the Executive Director of Alliance for Historic Wyoming for several months and have gained as much or more than I have given. While working with Hilery to develop a strong infrastructure for AHW, we have developed a wonderful collegial relationship that is mutually beneficial. Hilery is far more techno savvy than I am and has been wonderful about sharing her knowledge. I think Hilery would agree that in addition to developing policies and procedures, we have developed a wonderful friendship that benefits both of us.”

Marilyn Connor
Pro Bono Volunteer

“Exposure to art doesn’t occur in isolation. The Nicolaysen Art Museum & Discovery Center believes that art should be accessible to all people. The Neighborhood Stabilization Program and Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Certified Sunshine Projects designed two apartment buildings near the NIC. The National Endowment for the Arts and Grimshaw Investments partnered to create a public arts project between the apartment buildings. Additionally, the NIC partnered with art teachers and students in Natrona County to create original artwork to hang on each floor in both of the apartment buildings. This was a substantial undertaking, which could not have been completed without the ServeWyoming, AmeriCorps and ServeWyoming community member volunteers who worked tirelessly to hang the art so that all residents in the apartment buildings are enriched by their daily exposure to art.”

Amanda Kay Huckabay
Development Director
Nicolaysen Art Museum & Discovery Center

“What I’ve taken away from this experience can be summed up in one word - Relationships! Without ServeWyoming and its relationships with Corporation for National and Community Service, I wouldn’t have had this life opportunity. AmeriCorps is like on the job training, and I loved volunteering my time for the common good. This was the only opportunity where it was ok to have a disability. I was also glad to get lots of education, and to be able to offer my perception of how disabilities affect society, and how we can learn from each other. Those discussions led to my being on the inclusion team that’s being formed at this time. At ServeWyoming, service becomes who you are, not just what you do.”

Pam Zurawski
AmeriCorps
State Children & Nutrition Services

“As ServeWyoming has been a partner with the Casper-Natrona County Health Department for 3 years now. We have worked together to write our Disaster Volunteer Management Plan, and went further than we ever thought possible with the creation of a Volunteer Reception Center, a way to assign spontaneous volunteers to appropriate locations and jobs in a disaster. We recently exercised the plan, and it was an overwhelming success! Without the commitment and assistance of ServeWyoming, we would not be able to help our community be as prepared as it now is.”

Audrey Gray
Public Health Response Coordinator
Casper-Natrona County Health Department
As A Participant You Can Help Us Complete These Goals:

- Form an Inclusion Team
- Develop strong partners
- Recruit and encourage more people with disabilities to volunteer
- Foster a more inclusive environment within National Service and volunteerism

As our state’s commission on service and volunteerism, **ServeWyoming** encourages qualified individuals to participate as members in AmeriCorps programs. Like other inclusion teams across the nation, **ServeWyoming** is forming a team to create collaborative and innovative approaches, to include people with disabilities in programs like **AmeriCorps** and other volunteering opportunities.

We are excited to invite the **National Service Inclusion Project** ([www.serviceandinclusion.org](http://www.serviceandinclusion.org)) to help guide us through our strategic planning, and we need **YOUR** help!

For more information contact: nurieh@servewyoming.org or 307-234-3428

[www.servewyoming.org](http://www.servewyoming.org)
Thank you for your interest in ServeWyoming’s Pro Bono Volunteer Network. Rather than cash grants, ServeWyoming facilitates grants of ServeWyoming professional consulting services called “Service Grants.”

Awardees are granted the help of one of our pro bono volunteers who work in a variety of fields and are interested in sharing their skills with a qualified nonprofit. The pro bono volunteer will work with your nonprofit for a short-term, specific project designed to build capacity within your nonprofit.

We are currently offering Service Grants in Albany, Campbell, Fremont, Johnson, Laramie, Natrona, Sheridan and Uinta Counties. ServeWyoming partners with many organizations doing important work in a range of issue areas. Unfortunately, our own funding limitations keep us from awarding Service Grants to all organizations that apply. Organizations are strongly encouraged to apply as early as possible.

Please visit www.servewyoming.org and click on “Get Pro Bono” to review the grant criteria before you apply. If you have questions regarding our grant criteria or the content of any of our Service Grants, please contact the ServeWyoming office, and we will be happy to answer your questions.

Are you looking for ways to utilize your skills to make a positive impact on your community? Apply your skills to the greater good. Join ServeWyoming’s Pro Bono Volunteer Network.

This is a network of Wyoming professionals who are committed to driving social change in their communities. This is a great opportunity to develop skills, teach others and learn more about the nonprofits in your community.

Once you have applied, you will be matched when a qualified nonprofit has been awarded a Service Grant that requires skills similar to your own. Rather than cash grants, ServeWyoming facilitates grants of professional consulting called “Service Grants.” The pro bono volunteer works with the nonprofit on short-term, specific project designed to build capacity within your nonprofit.

We are currently helping nonprofits in Albany, Campbell, Fremont, Johnson, Laramie, Natrona, Sheridan, and Uinta Counties, but many professionals have agreed to telecommute and share their skills with other counties. We are continually looking for ways to expand the program to other counties.

If you are interested in applying, please go to www.servewyoming.org and click on “Give Pro Bono” or call us at (307) 234-3438.
Community Volunteer Management Training

ServeWyoming, together with the support of the City of Gillette, is pleased to invite you to join an innovative learning opportunity, Multi-Generational Volunteer Leadership and Neighboring Techniques, designed to help nonprofit professionals, businesses and corporations build a stronger, deeper base of volunteers to help meet your agency's mission.

Volunteer Wyoming, a project of ServeWyoming, is a resource designed to assist citizens in finding volunteer opportunities within their communities. Volunteer Wyoming also aids nonprofit, public and private agencies, corporations and businesses in matching opportunities with skilled volunteers. In addition, Volunteer Wyoming offers short courses, tailored to your individual volunteer needs such as volunteer management, recruitment and recognition.

To ensure training materials for all attending, please RSVP on/or before November 9th at 5pm to Jamie Ostermeyer at 307-674-8585 ext. 21 or Jamie@servewyoming.org. You can also RSVP and access more detailed information about this training on the ServeWyoming website at www.servewyoming.org.

ServeWyoming promotes the importance of volunteering as a way to mobilize people and resources to deliver creative solutions for community problems and opportunities.

Join us on November 14, 2012 Noon - 2:30 p.m.
Community Conference Room
City Hall (2nd Floor above the Police Department)
201 E. 5th Street Gillette, WY 82716

The 2013-2014 Competitive AmeriCorps Application will be announced SOON!

For updates, visit our website or subscribe to our newsletter at www.servewyoming.org
Emergency Response Volunteers Needed!!

Are you ready to help your community?

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN YOUR COMMUNITY BEFORE, DURING, AND AFTER A DISASTER

A major disaster could occur at any moment and quickly overwhelm the capacity of Campbell County’s local response organizations. Recovery of our communities after a disaster is dependent on adequate resources and trained volunteers. Spontaneous unaffiliated volunteers who show up at disaster sites, though well-meaning, can slow down the response process and place themselves and others at risk.

The pre-registration of potential volunteers enhances your community’s ability to mobilize appropriate emergency response volunteers as needed to assist with an emergency response. By pre-registering with ServeWyoming,

Campbell County residents will be prepared to use their valuable skills, talents and experiences when and where they are needed most.

ServeWyoming wants you to:

Get registered BEFORE a disaster strikes!

To get started, contact ServeWyoming at (866) 737-8304 or go to www.servewyoming.org