

# Tikkun Olam Project Partner Organizations

## Vogel Alcove

Bye-Bye bags are snack sacks that are distributed to the children at the end of the day. These snack sacks provide additional nutrition when the children are away from our facility. Volunteers gather the supplies and fill the bags.

Website: <https://vogelalcove.org/>

Contact: [volunteers@vogelalcove.org](mailto:volunteers@vogelalcove.org)

## Family Gateway

- Assemble emergency move-in kits. Click here to view our Wish List flyer.
- Assemble snack bags. Click here to view our snack bag flyer.
- Assemble sanitation kits with masks, hand sanitizer, and disinfecting wipes.
- Assemble laundry detergent pod kits by separating them into Ziploc bags with 4 pods in each bag.
- Host a Drive & Drop with your corporation, neighborhood, school, or place of worship.
  - Organize a drive for items from our Wish List and pick a day/time/location, then we'll provide a box truck for your network to drop off their items.

Website: <https://familygateway.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

## Jewish Family Service

If you are interested in seeing projects offered by JFS, then you should sign up and create your volunteer profile so when there is a volunteer opportunity of interest on their calendar, you will be ready to fill one of their openings. Not all are age appropriate or available when school isn't in session, but sometimes there also are at-home opportunities posted.

Website: [jfsdallas.volunteerhub.com](http://jfsdallas.volunteerhub.com)

Contact: Liz Bracken, 469.461.1240

## Dallas Furniture Bank

Dallas Furniture Bank (DFB) is the only agency in Dallas, Collin, and Denton counties with a mission to provide basic household furnishings to families transitioning out of homelessness, escaping homes in crisis, fleeing natural disasters or to others in need of furniture assistance. You can help in organizing a drive, putting together furniture, or many other ways!

Contact: 972.466.0600, [office@dallasfurniturebank.org](mailto:office@dallasfurniturebank.org)

## Jill Stone Community Garden

The community garden at Temple has a yearly goal of about 6,000 pounds of produce to deliver to Vickery Meadow Food Pantry. The volunteers meet every Wednesday and Sunday morning to do various tasks for the plants. You may come and go as needed due to YL+E.

Contact: Kay Mcinnis, [kaellan.mcinnis@gmail.com](mailto:kaellan.mcinnis@gmail.com)

## VNA Meals on Wheels

VNA Meals on Wheels provides hot, nutritious, freshly prepared meals five days a week to Dallas County residents who cannot obtain or prepare meals for themselves due to illness, advanced age or disability. These meals contribute to the overall health and well-being of participating seniors, including those with chronic illnesses and frail seniors who are homebound. Help deliver the meals to the elderly or food for their pets!

Contact: Inga Wilson, [wilsoni@vnatexas.org](mailto:wilsoni@vnatexas.org)

## Austin Street Center

For over 30 years, Austin Street Center has specialized in caring for the most vulnerable homeless men and women in Dallas. Beyond meeting basic needs, Austin Street is committed to individualized care for each person who comes to us for help. They constantly need donations of sandwiches to be delivered to their location.

Website: <https://austinstreet.galaxydigital.com/>

## North Texas Food Bank

North Texas Food Bank is a Dallas non-profit hunger relief organization that distributes donated, purchased and prepared foods through a network of more than 250 Partner Agencies in 13 counties. As a member of Feeding America, we support the nutritional needs of children, families and seniors through education, advocacy and strategic partnerships. You can help in the distribution center or Jan's Garden.

Website: <https://ntfb.org/get-involved/volunteer>

## The Bridge Homeless Recovery Center

Build welcome baskets for individuals who are residing at the Bridge. These include various items the residents need to be successful in this transition. You can learn more about the welcome baskets [here](#).

Contact: [volunteer@bridgehrc.org](mailto:volunteer@bridgehrc.org)

## Vickery Meadow Refugee Support

Many of the Vickery Meadow community members are refugees from various regions including the Middle East, Africa, and Southeast Asia. With new families arriving steadily, there is always a need for supplies. If you are interested in finding out various projects for the families, please reach out to Nancy.

Contact: Nancy Lubar, [nlubar1@gmail.com](mailto:nlubar1@gmail.com)

## Vickery Meadow Food Pantry

Students age 12 and above are welcome to volunteer at the Vickery Meadow Food Pantry, which is open Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday. If you are interested in volunteering, please reach out to Deidra Cizon at [dbcizon@swbell.net](mailto:dbcizon@swbell.net).

## Friendship Circle

Friendship Circle is a nonprofit dedicated to creative inclusive environments and making authentic friendships between people of all abilities. Teenagers can volunteer in various ways. For 12–13-year olds there are also various options including, creating a toy drive, creating an inclusive event/party, or volunteering at a pop up event.

Contact: Leah Dubrawsky, [leah@friendshipdallas.org](mailto:leah@friendshipdallas.org)

## Leket Israel

Leket Israel collects surplus high-quality food from over 1,000 food suppliers, including farms, hotels, corporate cafeterias, and IDF army bases. This fresh food would otherwise end up in landfills, causing increased greenhouse gas emissions which harm the environment. Leket Israel delivers the collected food to over 200 nonprofit partners serving tens of thousands of Israelis each week.

- Bake! Sell challah or other baked goods and donate the funds.
- Create a special craft—Havdalah or Chanukah candles, kippahs, etc. to sell and donate proceeds to Leket Israel.
- Make your own tote bags for the Leket Israel Giving Tree project, where Israeli teens pick produce from backyards to share with Israelis in need.
- Compile a recipe book to sell to friends and family and spread awareness about Leket Israel.
- Celebrating in Israel? Pick produce in the fields or help sort and pack fresh, surplus fruit and vegetables for those who need it most.

Contact: Elena, [elena@leket.us](mailto:elena@leket.us)

## Dallas Holocaust and Human Rights Museum

Visitor Guides are stationed throughout the Museum to greet visitors, answer wayfinding questions, and ensure our guests have the best experience possible. This is a great opportunity to explore the Museum and its permanent exhibition to prepare for the next tiers of volunteering.

Commitment: Visitor Guide volunteers are required to complete an online training and a 90-minute in-person orientation session. Visitor Guides must serve 10 hours before they are eligible to advance to the next tier.

Website: [dhhrm.org/volunteer-signup](http://dhhrm.org/volunteer-signup)

Contact: Brittni Coe, [bcoe@dhhrm.org](mailto:bcoe@dhhrm.org)

## National Council of Jewish Women

NCJW, Greater Dallas Section is excited to begin offering “Junior Service Projects” to partner with younger members of our community. These projects are designed to be smaller scale item drives for things such as books, coats, or socks and to benefit underserved parts of the Dallas area. Organizers of the drives can collect items for donation or money to be used toward the purchase of items for donation. These projects would be perfect for a B’nai Mitzvah candidate looking for a meaningful act of service.

Contact: Erin Zopolsky, 214.636.7491, [ezopolsky@gmail.com](mailto:ezopolsky@gmail.com)

If there is an organization that you already know and love that is not on our list that you would like to work with, please contact Hallie Weiner at [hweiner@tedallas.org](mailto:hweiner@tedallas.org) to confirm.