



# GET INVOLVED GUIDE

**You can help a family facing homelessness thrive!**

**Our mission** is to partner with families and their children, providing stable housing and transformational support so they are empowered to overcome homelessness and thrive for generations to come.



## Volunteer Opportunities

Make an impact by volunteering your time with Bridge Communities. Contact Mary Slade at [mary.slade@bridgecommunities.org](mailto:mary.slade@bridgecommunities.org) to learn more about these opportunities.

**Mentoring:** Provide consistent encouragement and guidance to our client families so they can overcome homelessness.

**Tutoring:** Use your teaching or tutoring experience to help a student achieve academic success with weekly one-on-one sessions.

**Bridge Communities Boutique:** Assist clients in selecting professional interview- and employment-ready attire and help manage the boutique.

**Family Wellness Program:** Assist clients in Peer Support workshops, family events, and gardening.

**Associate Board:** Provide strategic input, raise funds, build your network, and work together to make a difference with like-minded professionals.

**Employment Program:** Use your experience as an HR professional to assist job-seeking clients by reviewing client resumes, participating in mock interviews, and providing feedback.

**In-Kind Professional Services:** Support Bridge families by providing services. We need attorneys, mechanics, doctors, hair stylists, dentists, orthodontists, optometrists, and more.

Visit our website at [bridgecommunities.org](https://bridgecommunities.org) to learn more and follow us on social media for updates!



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## Special Donations

Gift Bridge families with the resources they need to be successful. Contact Mary Slade at [mary.slade@bridgecommunities.org](mailto:mary.slade@bridgecommunities.org) to learn more about the below opportunities.

**Cars:** Give working parents reliable transportation and put them on the road to success with the tax-deductible donation of your car.

**Supply Closet Drives:** Help clients' budgets go further by donating cleaning supplies, personal care products, and other necessities not covered by SNAP benefits. You can organize a drive or donate items.

**Gift Cards:** By donating gift cards and gasoline or grocery cards, you can help make sure a family has the necessities they need to focus on achieving their goals while in our program.



## Special Events

Volunteer as a day-of helper, committee member, become a sponsor, or buy a ticket and join us at one of our many fundraising events. Contact Margo Matthew at [events@bridgecommunities.org](mailto:events@bridgecommunities.org) or visit [bridgecommunities.org/news-events](https://bridgecommunities.org/news-events) for more information.

**Wine Women & Shoes**  
Celebrating Women, Transforming Lives

**Pickleball Tournament**  
Glen Ellyn Backyard BBQ

**Sleep Out Saturday**

## Impactful Giving

Invest in Bridge families' futures and help support their goals through meaningful giving. Contact Kristin Short at [kristin.short@bridgecommunities.org](mailto:kristin.short@bridgecommunities.org) to learn more about the below opportunities.

**Community Builders Sustaining Giving Society:** Ensure a consistent, reliable source of support to families through your monthly or quarterly gift.

**The Bridge Communities Founders Fund:** Connect teens to college prep workshops, career assessment, ACT and SAT tutoring, scholarships, and more.

**Cornerstone Legacy Society:** Let Bridge help you achieve your financial goals and leave a legacy of generosity.

**Fundraising Events:** Host a social media fundraiser or choose Bridge as a third-party recipient for your fundraising event or giving party.

**Scholarships:** Help a child attend summer camp, enrichment programs, or even higher education with scholarships.



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