

Expectations & Guidelines

Love Modesto & Volunteer Central

A Part of Love Stanislaus County



PROJECT LEADER/COORDINATOR EXPECTATIONS:

STAY CONNECTED WITH LOVE MODESTO

- Review and respond to messages and emails from the Love Modesto team.

PROJECTS ALIGN WITH LOVE MODESTO GUIDELINES

- Make sure your projects serve the common good, welcomes all participants, is family-friendly, and follows Love Modesto's guidelines.

PROVIDE CLEAR PROJECT DETAILS

- Include key information such as tasks, expectations, location and arrival time to create a smooth, stress-free volunteer experience.

ENGAGE CONSISTENTLY WITH VOLUNTEERS

- Respond promptly to sign-ups or inquiries via email, text, or phone so volunteers feel acknowledged.
- Follow up with reminders, appreciation, feedback requests and details about future events.

PROMOTE YOUR PROJECTS

- Use social media, emails, flyers and personal outreach to encourage sign-ups through lovemodesto.com

PROJECT GUIDELINES:

These guidelines ensure that all projects and events are safe, inclusive, and family-friendly, supporting Love Modesto's mission to serve the community with respect, unity, and integrity, and providing clear guidance on the types of activities that align with our mission.

COMMUNITY-FOCUSED AND INCLUSIVE

- Projects and events are safe, welcoming, and family-friendly, supporting Love Modesto's mission to serve the community with respect and unity.

FUNDRAISERS AND EVENTS

- Events must be family-friendly, appropriate, and comfortable for people of all ages and backgrounds.

NON-RELIGIOUS AND NON-ADVOCACY BASED

- Projects must not include mandatory religious components, proselytizing, or activities focused on advocacy, activism, or promoting specific ideologies.

NON-POLITICAL INVOLVEMENT

- Projects must avoid partisan politics, influencing elections or legislations, political events or campaigns, and voter registration efforts.

PROHIBITED ACTIVITIES

- Projects must not benefit labor unions, involving organizing or protests, or conflict with existing service contracts or collective bargaining agreements.

Examples of Project Opportunities



- **Neighborhood Cleanups** – Clean up parks, streets, or public areas to boost community pride and promote a cleaner environment.
- **School Beautification** – Paint murals, plant flowers, or tidy up classrooms and playgrounds to create a welcoming school atmosphere.
- **Food Distribution** – Sort, pack, and hand out food at local pantries or food banks to support families in need.
- **Clothing Drives** – Sort and package donated clothing to provide respectful, organized service to individuals and families.
- **Senior Support** – Make care packages, write uplifting notes, or assist with yardwork to show care for older adults.
- **Hygiene Kits** – Assemble personal care kits for shelters, schools, or outreach programs helping those in hardship.
- **School Supply Giveaways** – Help set up and run events where students receive backpacks and supplies for school success.
- **Event Hospitality** – Assist with setup, clean, and guest support at family-friendly community events, festivals, or library activities.
- **Community Gardens** – Join others in building, planting, or maintaining garden spaces to promote healthy living and teamwork.
- **Library & Literacy** – Organize books, read to children, or help prep materials for reading programs at libraries or centers.
- **Hospice Care Support** – Create comfort kits, write encouraging notes, or assist with light tasks to bring care and encouragement to patients and families.
- **Fun Run Support** – Help with course setup, water stations, registration support, cleanup, and handing out supplies at family-friendly charity runs.
- **Cancer & Illness Support** – Create rice bags, comfort kits, or write uplifting notes to encourage patients and families facing cancer and other serious illnesses.
- **Holiday & Awareness Events** – Volunteers support inclusive community events by assembling or distributing care packages and assisting with setup, clean up, or guest activities.
- **Museum Projects** – Support preservation efforts by assisting with cleanup, organizing, inventory, tours, or shop maintenance.

We greatly appreciate project leaders for their understanding and willingness to guide and promote projects that serve our community, aligning with Love Modesto's mission. We are excited to work together to support, value, and meet the needs of our community. If you have any questions, please contact our office at 209-409-8135.

