

# Helping Hands



## Needs

Helping Hands provides service opportunities for Church members, with projects chosen and led by local Church leadership. Helping Hands strengthens the reputation of the Church by helping to dispel negative stereotypes. It introduces Church members to their neighbors and community leaders as Christians who minister in their communities.



## Description

Under local priesthood direction, members may be invited to provide community service or to help others. This planning happens under the direction of the stake presidency and with assistance from the stake communication council. Helping Hands work may range from beautifying city streets and parks to helping with disaster relief. Service work also allows the Church to build relationships with other groups, such as community leaders, opinion makers, and the press. These associations can influence public opinion and help create a positive perception of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.



## Who is this for?

Helping Hands is for Church leaders and members with a desire to give service in their areas. It builds bridges of understanding with neighbors and influential community leaders. Helping Hands projects can be formed in all areas of the Church.



## How it works

Projects are usually planned by the stake communication council. These councils work under the direction of the stake presidency.



## Where to learn more

Visit [ChurchofJesusChrist.org/topics/humanitarian-service/helping-hands](https://www.ChurchofJesusChrist.org/topics/humanitarian-service/helping-hands) or contact your welfare and self-reliance manager.

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