

**Nevada Volunteers**  
**Nevada Volunteers Network**

**Partnering Agreement**

Between

**Nevada Volunteers and \_\_\_\_\_**  
**(The Organization)**

In an effort to increase awareness of the value and impact of volunteering, Nevada Volunteers is creating a statewide network to enhance volunteerism and volunteer leadership. This Agreement acknowledges The Organization as a partner in the *Nevada Volunteer Network* and outlines responsibilities of each party. The term of this agreement shall be one year from date of signatures.

The Organization agrees to:

1. Enter, maintain, and keep current all information posted on the Nevada Volunteers volunteer matching system including the organization's information, contact person (s) for volunteers, and opportunity listings.
2. Respect and uphold the privacy of all persons, volunteers, and potential volunteers referred through or as a result of the volunteer matching system.
3. Comply with the attached agreement regarding prohibited activities when using the Nevada Volunteers volunteer matching system.
4. Encourage volunteers to register through the [www.nevadavolunteers.org](http://www.nevadavolunteers.org) site and to record their volunteer hours and assist them in learning how to do so.
5. Engage in best practices of volunteer management such as
  - a. Providing a position description for all volunteer opportunities
  - b. Provide a welcome and orientation to the job for volunteers
  - c. Maintain and follow appropriate policies on fingerprinting/background checks of volunteers and health and safety procedures
  - d. Thank all volunteers for their time and participation
6. Agree to partner with Nevada Volunteers by:
  - a. Providing information about successful volunteer events which can be posted on the website. Any articles, stories, or information provided to Nevada Volunteers for use on the website will imply that appropriate releases have been obtained for such use.
  - b. Provide Nevada Volunteers with information about upcoming training or professional development opportunities related to volunteer management that are open to the public and/or may be of interest to other volunteer leaders.
  - c. Allow Nevada Volunteers to count aggregated data from the organization's postings for use in compiling a state report on volunteerism.
  - d. Participate in a satisfaction survey on an annual basis.
  - e. Allow Nevada Volunteers to list the organization as a "partner" on the website.

Nevada Volunteers agrees to:

1. Provide an electronic volunteer match system ([www.nevadavolunteers.org](http://www.nevadavolunteers.org)) to facilitate volunteer recruitment for nonprofits, faith-based and governmental agencies that allows volunteers to register with the participating agency;
2. Provide information about training, networking events, and new resources on volunteer leadership through the Nevada Volunteers website;
3. Provide recognition to partners for their efforts on behalf of volunteerism in Nevada by posting stories on the website, providing recognition through the volunteer match system, and listing the organization as a partner in published materials;
4. Host networking opportunities for partners through electronic services and face-to-face.

Matching criteria from the volunteer match system does not constitute an endorsement of the volunteer by Nevada Volunteers and does not absolve The Organization from the responsibility to interview the potential volunteer to determine his/her suitability for the volunteer position. In no event shall Nevada Volunteers and/or its agents be liable for any damages whatsoever, whether based on contract, tort, negligence, strict liability or otherwise, for any of the services that it provides pursuant to the terms of this Agreement. If you are dissatisfied with any portion of the services, or with any of these terms of use, your sole and exclusive remedy is to discontinue using the services.

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Janet Wright

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(Authorized Signature)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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## NEVADA VOLUNTEER NETWORK (NVN)

### Prohibited Volunteer Activities

*Prohibited volunteer activities are important elements in the roles of all members of the Nevada Volunteer Network. The Organization ensures that all postings to the Nevada Volunteers volunteer matching system are consistent with allowable activities. The Organizations understands that while the list of prohibited activities does not govern all their operations, it does set limits on allowable NVN activities.*

#### Illegal Activity

- Activities that involve, or advocate for, destruction of public or private property; harm to individuals; or otherwise violate local, state or federal laws (e.g., an abortion clinic protest that advocates harming clinic staff, a protest that involves deliberate disruption of downtown traffic/business, activity that involves destruction of a lab whose experiments involve animals in testing, etc.).

#### Religious Activity

- Religious and/or sectarian activity and/or proselytizing. Faith-based organizations may sponsor NVN volunteer opportunities, but posted opportunities may not require volunteers to engage in activities that are religious in nature (e.g., leading prayer groups, etc.), or to be a member of the organization's affiliated church, religion, etc.

#### Political Activity/Advocacy

- Political advocacy related to national, state, or local campaigns (candidate or ballot initiative)
- Assisting, promoting or deterring union organizing
- Partisan voter registration drives

#### Research

- Participating as subjects in medical trials, scientific or market research.

#### Administrative Roles/Displacement

- Activities that displace paid staff

#### Type of Organization

- Activities performed with or for individuals independent of an agency
- Activities performed with or for for-profit entities. Exceptions may be made in the case of volunteers who are providing direct services that do not benefit the for-profit entity itself.

Contact Information:

Primary Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization website: \_\_\_\_\_

Please fax all pages back to Nevada Volunteers at:  
775-825-1901

Or mail to:  
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We will sign and return a completed copy to you! Thanks for joining the Nevada Volunteers Network!