ServeTogether: One world. One Community. One goal

Get involved in service projects in your community today

What is ServeTogether?

Always want to be more involved in your community? Believe you have talents that can be used for a higher purpose?

Serve together is the app that will make getting involved in community service easy. By inputting your interests, connecting your schedule, and sharing your location, ServeTogether’s algorithm can provide you with service opportunities that match your interests and your schedule, making your service goals achievable.

How does it work?

1. Choose to make your account public or private
2. Sync your Google/Outlook Calendar
3. Indicate how far you’re willing to travel using the slider bar
4. Indicate the number of hours per week you wish to dedicate to service
5. Indicate your service interests (Educational, Faith-Based, Environmental, etc.)
6. Let ServeTogether calculate the perfect opportunities for you
7. Find and sign up for opportunities under the recommended opportunities section on your profile page

Features:

1. Find and follow your friends
   a. Like and comment on their activity
   b. Chat with them about their service work
   c. Add them to your service groups
   d. See with which organizations they work
   e. Share your service work to social media
2. Find others with whom you can carpool and attend events
3. Search for more opportunities
4. Learn about public transportation near you
5. Use the map to find local donation and municipal centers
6. Track your past and upcoming opportunities
Manifesto:

Participating in community service allows one to connect with others and to feel a sense of purpose. In the past, I have noticed I feel greater overall happiness when I can see the difference I make in other people’s lives. However, with the fast-paced society we live in today, many people have trouble finding time to search for and participate in service opportunities that work with their busy schedule. In order to facilitate participation in local efforts, I propose creating an app called ServeTogether, which uses a Machine Learning algorithm to connect individuals with the perfect service opportunities.

Serve together uses information you share to present you with service options and to inform you about local service and environmental efforts. The algorithm looks at your proximity to places, your interests, the need of specific organizations, and your schedule to find easy to access opportunities. In order to find these opportunities, it searches the internet for local organizations and times they have available. In addition, organizations can connect with ServeTogether directly to have their events publicized in the manner they wish. Once you’ve signed up for an event, the app suggests public transportation you can use to get there or offers to connect you with other volunteers near you to carpool. Beyond service events, the app also uses your location to show you the location of donation centers (ex: Goodwill) and municipal centers (ex: recycling) near you.

By making community service opportunities and environmental efforts more accessible, ServeTogether helps all individuals participate in service, and it helps local organizations connect with more volunteers. ServeTogether features a simple design with intuitive navigation which connects you with a variety of different resources, people, and organizations. With ServeTogether, I believe more individuals will find the time work with people in their community and see the true value of service work: connecting with others by sharing their talents. By providing everyone with a tool to facilitate involvement in service, ServeTogether eased the dichotomy of dedicating your life to your job and dedicating your life to service. Ultimately, ServeTogether helps unite communities and provide people with the opportunity to think beyond themselves, thus enabling human flourishing.