

Establishing Volunteer Opportunities that Promote Human Rights

Today is Human Rights Day — the anniversary of the day the global community adopted, in 1948, the United Nation’s [Universal Declaration of Human Rights](#) (UDHR), a milestone document that proclaims the rights to which every human being is entitled — regardless of race, color, religion, sex, language, political or other opinion, national or social origin, property, birth or other status. The UDHR has been translated into over 500 languages. One of these tongues, [Navajo](#), is native to our state.

In Colorado, as in the world, much work remains before we can say that we fully recognize the “inherent dignity and... equal and inalienable rights of all members of the human family,” as the UDHR establishes. Why not develop ongoing employee volunteer opportunities to help realize this vision? Below are several nonprofit organizations that might be able to help.

Organization	Mission	Opportunity	Location	Remote?
Amnesty International	Undertake research and action focused on preventing and ending grave abuses of human rights.	Sign petitions or volunteer your time research and expose human rights violations through Amnesty Decoder , by using your computers or phones to sift through pictures, information and documents.	Global	Yes
Black Girls Code	To increase the number of women of color in the digital space by empowering girls of color ages 7 to 17 to become innovators in STEM fields, leaders in their communities, and builders of their own futures through exposure	Volunteer your skills and time to be a tech or non-tech volunteer on a one-off or recurring basis.	US	Yes, during COVID

	to computer science and technology.			
Center for Racial Justice in Education	Train and empower educators to dismantle patterns of racism and injustice in our schools and communities	Volunteer your skills and time to help them achieve their mission.	US	Yes
Dream Corps Tech	Cultivating future leaders and entrepreneurs from underrepresented backgrounds, creating a pipeline of diverse talent that will shift the culture of the tech sector.	Become a volunteer instructor to equip students with the technical skills they need for career opportunities or sign up to dream up the future for low-income or communities of color.	US	Yes, during COVID
Eskaton	Enhance the quality of life of seniors through innovative health, housing and social services.	Volunteer your time through the phone reassurance program to provide friendly check-in calls to older adults who live alone or are isolated.	Global	Yes
Human Rights Campaign	End discrimination against LGBTQ people and realize a world that achieves fundamental fairness and equality for all.	Volunteer through contributing to policy change, fundraising, recruitment and outreach.	US	Yes
United Nations Volunteers	Contribute to sustainable human development through volunteerism worldwide.	Volunteer your skills and time to impact the United Nations'	Global	Yes

		Sustainable Development Goal 10, reduced inequalities.		
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