

SERVE DAY 2022

Project Guide

# lincoln**berean**

# WE'RE SO GLAD YOU ARE A PART OF A LIFE GROUP!



Serve Day is Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, during the break between the Winter and Spring sessions.

If you choose to participate, your group will choose a serve project based on the talents and resources within the group, and you can use this guide to help you plan for a successful Serve Day.

We are excited for Serve Day to see how God utilizes us to make a difference in our community.

The Life Group & Outreach Teams



"For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. For the whole law is fulfilled in one word: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.'"

Galatians 5:13-14

"For even the Son of man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.

Mark 10:45

The vision of Serve Day is for us, the local church, to go into our communities and love our neighbors. Hundreds of people will take on practical projects, and through these acts of service, we hope people's hearts will be brought ever closer to Jesus.

Our greatest hope would be to see this event be a catalyst toward greater churchwide outreach. In other words, we hope to see people become more engaged with their neighbors and community as a result of this event.

# **GROUP TIMELINE**

Week of Feb 27th	SERVE DAY PLANNING STARTS Think about projects that your group would like to complete during Serve Day. Appoint members of your group to help make Serve Day successful (consider selecting members other than LG leaders).
Week of March 6th	SIGN UP FOR SERVE DAY Take time to look over opportunities or propose your own project. Have each member register themselves. Pick up your Serve Day t-shirt the weekend of March 12/13 at church.
Week of March 20th	<b>REVIEW PROJECT PLAN</b> Review the project plan with your group and talk about the resources needed. Begin to make a list of those items and start collecting them.
Week of April 3rd	SECURE PROJECT RESOURCES Make sure you have all the necessary resources for your project and that your group members are ready to serve.
April 9th	<b>SERVE DAY</b> Show up to your project location 15-30 minutes before and start by praying together.
Week of April 24th	<b>DISCUSS</b> At the start of the next Life Group session, take time to debrief your Serve Day experience.





#### SERVE DAY IDEAS

Here are a few ideas to get you started as you begin to think about Serve Day. This is not an exhaustive list, but ideas to get you thinking!

### **PROJECT IDEAS**

Host a free garage sale

Help with home clean-up or repairs for those who are physically or financially unable to do it themselves

Ask a local school how you can help

Serve a hot breakfast to the homeless downtown

Do a community trash clean-up

Host a "block party" with food, games, and music for families

Clean up a park

Do a prayer walk in your neighborhood or another neighborhood in town

Ask a local business how you can help

Bring lunch/treats to your local police or fire station

Take lunch or treats to local librarians

Drop off treats or notes to those working in a hospital

# PROJECT PLANNING STEPS

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### STEP ONE

# Choose a Project

Discuss the following questions with your group to help decide on a Serve Day project.

- Who in your neighborhood has a need?
- What business or non-profit within your sphere of influence could use a blessing?
- What are some areas you're passionate about?
- What serve opportunities best suit your group's skills and abilities?
- What resources do you have access to?

Once your group has discussed the options, decide together on the best project for you group. Remember, you can either propose a project or choose one from our website\*.

### **STEP TWO**

# **Register Your Project**

## TO PROPOSE A PROJECT:

- The week of March 6th, have your Serve Day point leader email Megan at <u>mkuehl@lincolnberean.org</u> to share your project. Please include:
  - Project name
  - What time your project will take place
  - Your group members that will be serving & T-shirt sizes for each member (and their kids joining)
  - If you have space for others to join your project
- Your project will be reviewed by someone on our Outreach Team within 1-2 days. Someone will send you an email once it's been processed.
- 3. Your group members will be registered when your project is approved. If you indicated you have openings, it will be listed on our website for others to join in as well.
- 4. Each group member will be sent a waiver to fill out via email before Serve Day.

## TO CHOOSE A PROJECT ALREADY LISTED:

- 1. During your Life Group meeting the week of March 6<sup>th</sup> go to our website: <u>lincolnberean.org/serveday</u>
- 2. Select the project your group decided on. Make sure there is still enough availability for your group.
- 3. Have each team member register themselves separately. We would love for your children to serve with you, but you don't need to register them. Include which of your kids (18 or under) will be joining you in the registration notes. Please include their t-shirt size.
- 4. Sign the waiver attached to the project.
- 5. Invite anyone from your group that wasn't in attendance of your Life Group to register for the project as well.

### STEP THREE

# Plan Your Project

During your Life Group meeting, appoint someone from your Life Group to be the "point leader" of Serve Day (ideally not the Life Group leader). This person will coordinate the details and communicate the plans to the Life Group. You can use the following page to help you plan out your project.

- Have your Serve Day point leader log into the "Group Leader" portal using the same log-in information\* for their giving account.
- Familiarize your group with the individual or organization you are serving.
- Make a list of preparations and assign responsibilities according to each group member's skills and gifts.
- Make sure all group members have access to project details.
- Communicate regularly with your group to make sure all preparations are ready to go.
- Read through the FAQ's on our Serve Day website to prepare yourself. If you have additional questions, don't hesitate to reach out to your Life Group coach.

Point Leader:
Project Name:
Number of people needed:
Time:
Location:
Supplies needed:
Additional Roles to Fill
Photographer:
Gather Resources:
Snacks/Drinks:
Job site foreman/director:

### **STEP FOUR**

# Serve

- Meet your serve group the day of Serve Day ready to serve!
- Pray together as a group. You can use the following bullet points as suggested prompts.
  - That people would see the love of Jesus through us
  - That our hearts would be changed to think less of us and more of others
  - Kids would see us model service to the Kingdom of Jesus
- Love people!
- Have fun!
- Share your photos/videos with us by emailing outreach@lincolnberean.org

## SEE A LIST OF YOUR SERVE GROUP

As the point leader, you will be able to see who joined your project through our "groups" portal. You will log in with the same email that accesses your giving. You might have someone join your project that isn't in a Life Group. This is a great opportunity to welcome and encourage them in community.

# CELEBRATE TOGETHER



We encourage you to celebrate together all that God has done through this Serve Day. Have a picnic lunch in a park, host a potluck at someone's house, or simply gather to pray and talk about the day.

Thank you for your investment in Life Groups and this Serve Day. It truly couldn't happen without you. Again, we are here to guide you every step of the way and help answer questions. Please don't hesitate to reach out. See a list of our FAQ's on the Serve Day page if you have additional questions.

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