

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

COLUMBUS ADULT EDUCATION CENTER

1860 South 300 East

Volunteers needed for ongoing classes, teaching English to refugees, providing nursery for the students children during classes, Greeters, Family History.

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<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COE4EAEAA2DA0FDCE9-61962308-post>

SLC CEMETERY CLEAN UP

My Hometown Salt Lake Central missionaries are invited to participate in the post Memorial Day clean up at the SLC Cemetery.

Wednesday, June 3rd, 6-8pm

Sign up with the link above. We'll meet in front of the Sexton's house (corner of N Street and 4th Ave). Wear closed-toe shoes, bring gloves, sun-screen and a water bottle.

JUNE 2026 DAY OF SERVICE

June 20th ... Missionaries arrive at the CAEC (1860 S. 300 E.) by 8:00 am to get tools, etc.

Missionaries will go directly to their project sites and expect volunteers to arrive between 8:30 and 9:00am, after they checkin.

We are working on a better option for signing up. Watch for an email with details.

Questions? Call Kathryn Woodbury 919-475-0108

SPECIAL THANKS!

Thank you to everyone that adjusted, adapted and carried on with our projects at the May Day of Service. It was a challenging day with a few surprises. Yet, you went the extra mile and accomplished much. Our prayers are with Gary and Julie as they are facing his medical challenges. We hope to see them return soon. Until then Don and Cathy Brown will be serving as the Executive Directors.



We've had a variety of projects in April and May this year. Fence repairs have been high on the list, with a bit of painting as well. There are always plenty of yard cleanup projects to do. This yard project grew beyond expectations as our missionary, Van Johnson (in the yellow vest), led neighbors and ward members in exceeding the homeowners expectations! In addition to completing the project Van made a new friend as they discovered their mutual backgrounds and love of Finland. We are always thrilled when the neighbors step up to serve one another. If you are attending a ward please remember to encourage their participation.

FELLOWSHIP AND FOREVER FRIENDS

In April we enjoyed a potluck dinner with our MHT SLCC missionaries. Kathryn Woodbury gave some instructions on new software programs we'll be using. Brian Verhaaren shared information on things happening at the Columbus Adult Education Center. Dinner was excellent as always with a wide variety of homemade dishes. One favorite was Liz Lovato's salsa. She agreed to share her recipe. (see next page)

Tim and I (Bonnie Jacobson), have completed our three year assignment as Associate Executive Directors of Neighborhood Services. We will miss your fellowship. We have been blessed to associate with you and have learned from your examples.

EASY HOMEMADE SALSA...RECIPE SHARED BY LIZ LOVATO

INGREDIENTS

- ½ bunch cilantro (about 1/2 cup packed – see note)
- 1 jalapeño pepper, stem and seeds removed (leave seeds if you want more heat)
- ¼ of a medium red onion
- ½ to 1 teaspoon minced garlic (about 2-3 cloves)
- 2 cans (15-ounces each) regular or fire-roasted diced tomatoes, well-drained
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 teaspoon sugar (optional, but I like how it balances the flavors)
- 2 tablespoons fresh lime juice

INSTRUCTIONS

Add the cilantro, jalapeño, red onion and garlic to a food processor (see note for blender). Pulse until the ingredients are finely chopped.

Add the tomatoes, salt and lime juice. Pulse until the salsa reaches desired consistency. I tend to like the tomatoes finely chopped, but you can leave it chunkier.

Add additional salt and lime juice to taste, if needed (important!). Serve immediately or refrigerate for up to a week. Extra liquid can be drained off before serving, if desired.



Another yard clean up project that required a lot of above and beyond efforts to complete. We are so blessed to have missionaries that step up when it's hard and inconvenient. We are also very lucky to have the Pioneer Single Young Adults and Other-side Academy to provide willing and skilled labor.

DAYS OF SERVICE ... 2026

JUNE 20TH...

JULY...Enjoy your families as we celebrate our country. There will not be a Day of Service.

AUGUST 8th...

SEPTEMBER 12th...

OCTOBER 10th...

Please continue to submit projects!