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## What is International Year of Volunteers 2001?

The United Nations General Assembly has proclaimed 2001 as the International Year of Volunteers. This 12-month celebration is an opportunity for increased awareness, and recognition and promotion of volunteering. Millions of volunteers around the world will be recognized for their contributions to helping others. Millions more will be inspired into service by their deeds.

## Get Involved

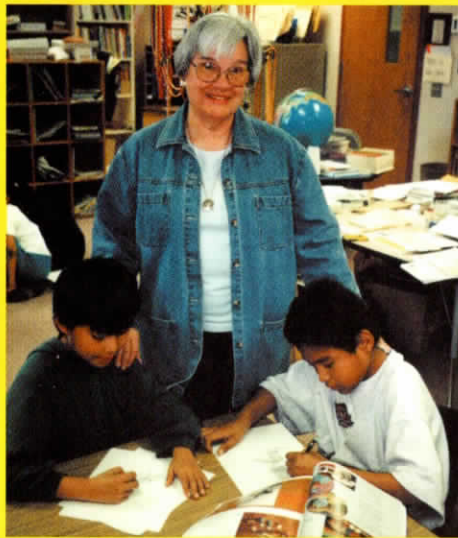
Everyone in the United States can participate in IYV 2001. Here are some ideas to get started:

### Civic or Community Organizations

- Spread the word about IYV 2001 to others. Tell members, colleagues, government leaders, professional associations, volunteer groups and the media.
- Ask your governor or mayor to proclaim 2001 as the International Year of the Volunteer.
- Create a community volunteer award in honor of IYV 2001. Share the volunteer's story on the IYV 2001 U.S. Web site.
- Host a kick-off event on Dec. 5, 2000, or a culmination event on Dec. 5, 2001.

### Families or Religious Groups

- Contact your local volunteer center to find out about volunteer opportunities available in your community.
- Pledge to serve a certain number of volunteer hours during 2001.
- Recognize a volunteer with a note of thanks, lunch or in some other special way.
- Tell your story at [www.iyv2001us.org](http://www.iyv2001us.org).



### Individuals

- Contribute experiences or stories as a volunteer with youth in classroom or club settings.
- Share your skills or expertise to increase volunteer involvement. Train new volunteers, be a speaker at an event, mentor a child, host a meeting, etc.
- Try opportunities available through Seasons of Services such as Make A Difference Day and National Family Volunteer Day. Find out more at [www.pointsoflight.org](http://www.pointsoflight.org) or [www.makeadifferenceday.com](http://www.makeadifferenceday.com).

### Materials and Tools

The U.S. steering committee for IYV 2001 offers tools to help individuals, groups, organizations and corporations participate in strengthening volunteerism. Visit our Web site at [www.iyv2001us.org](http://www.iyv2001us.org) for news, tips for involvement and downloadable materials such as a brochure and the official IYV 2001 logo.

### For More Information

Visit [www.iyv2001us.org](http://www.iyv2001us.org) or call:  
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The Association of Junior Leagues International  
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