# Community Outreach Opportunities

#### FOOD FOR THOUGHT | feedtoledo.org

Food For Thought is a Toledo-based and Toledo-focused organization dedicated to feeding and nourishing our community. Build peanut butter and jelly sandwiches and assemble lunches for members in our community.

## **CONNECTING KIDS TO MEALS | connectingkidstomeals.org**

The mission of Connecting Kids to Meals is to provide hot, nutritious meals at no cost to kids in low-income and under-served areas throughout the entire year. Outside of the academic year, Connecting Kids to Meals is the largest provider of hot meals in Northwest Ohio. Businesses, community organizations and individuals can volunteer at Connecting Kids To Meals' downtown to package plates, utensils, condiments, snacks and other items making distribution of complete meal to sites very efficient. Feedback from volunteers indicates that they really enjoy their experience.

#### **SUNSHINE COMMUNITIES | sunshine.org**

Sunshine's mission is to create community among people with developmental disabilities, their families, friends, and staff. They do this by offering services that enable all of us to build relationships that enhance our lives through mutual caring and growth. Volunteer opportunities include field trips with residents, landscaping, meal prep, and holiday card making with residents.

## **TOLEDO GROWS | toledogrows.org**

Toledo GROWs is a grassroots effort dedicated to the continued growth and success of community-based gardens in the City of Toledo and the surrounding area. As a statewide and regional leader in community gardening, Toledo GROWs offers organizational resources and technical assistance to support the development of sustainable garden projects that serve people of diverse ages and abilities. This organization serves more than 125 community gardens. These include gardens at schools and other organizations, faith-based gardens, and neighborhood gardens. Throughout the seasons, Toledo GROWs works with community garden organizers to ensure that they have everything necessary to create a vibrant community garden. Volunteers will be able to pot plants, mulch, and prepare garden beds.

# KEEP TOLEDO/LUCAS COUNTY BEAUTIFUL | ktlcb.org

Keep Toledo/Lucas County Beautiful is dedicated to establishing greener communities through environmental education, litter prevention and voluntary partnerships. Volunteers are needed to sort recyclables and pick up litter in our city. All litter cleanup supplies will be provided and Keep Toledo/Lucas County Beautiful can help identify cleanup locations as well. Spring/Summer-Looking for volunteer groups to help provide recycling services at large events. This includes placing recycling containers, monitoring the containers throughout the events, and emptying and disposing of the recyclables as they fill up.

