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The Board Match 2009

The Board Match takes place on January 13, at the Moscone Center, 4:30 to 7:30 pm.

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Representatives from over 100 nonprofit organizations are waiting to meet and greet potential board candidates over the course of the evening.



"Ask The Experts!"

Experienced board members will be on-hand to answer candidates' questions about nonprofit board service and provide resources about board member roles and responsibilities.

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Don't wait - don't be left out!

If you are associated with a nonprofit that should be a part of this event, follow the link to [apply today!](#) Applications will not accepted after November 21.

Note: to apply, nonprofits must have or create an free online account with The Volunteer Center in order to complete The Board Match application requirements.

Full Circle Fund Forum 2008

Full Circle Fund's annual marquee event, the Forum, is quickly approaching and should be a great opportunity to see the community in action.

The Forum includes an "Action Expo" where you can interact with organizations that focus on issues that align with the Full Circle Fund's Circles (affinity groups), a main program with a keynote address by Sheryl Sandberg (COO of Facebook), a video address by Nobel Laureate Dr. Muhammad Yunus, and grantee awards all followed by the Global Economic Opportunity Launch Party.



As of right now tickets are only available by invitation, and they will sell very quickly once they're made available to the general public.

[For information on Forum 2008, please click here!](#)

[Check out last year's event when Al Gore launched the Environment Circle!](#)

Service Nation

In September, the [ServiceNation Summit](#) kicked off a movement



to inspire an America in which, by 2020, 100 million citizens will volunteer time in schools, workplaces, and faith-based and community institutions each and every year (up from 61 million today). The Volunteer Center is a local action center in this effort, preparing nonprofit and public sector organizations to offer meaningful opportunities to serve and helping volunteers to find just the right one.



"America is the greatest country on earth. But it didn't just happen on its own. It's not a gift only, although it is a great blessing that we've received. It is also a responsibility. And part of what makes America work is the fact that we believe in individual responsibility and self-reliance, but we also believe in mutual responsibility, in neighborliness, in a sense that we are committed to something larger than ourselves ... what has built this country is people sense through voluntary associations ... that we have commitments that extend beyond our immediate self-interest, that aren't always motivated by profit, that aren't simply short-term, that we're thinking long-term to the next generation."

-President-elect Barack Obama at the ServiceNation Summit, September 11, 2008

A call to service! We couldn't have said it better.

Holiday Opportunities

So Many Things to Do This Time of Year!

Coat Drive for Foster Kids!

Aspiranet (formerly Moss Beach Homes, Inc.) needs volunteers to help us, pick up, organize and pack winter coats that have been donated to us for foster children. Aspiranet needs all the help they can get and anyone who has a truck or is willing to drive a truck will be greatly appreciated.

Gift Drive for Homeless Youth

For the past 23 years, it's been a tradition at Larkin Street Youth Services to hold a festive holiday celebration for some of San Francisco's most vulnerable youth. This December, Larkin Street Youth Services expects more than 400 youth to spend the holidays in Larkin Street Programs.

Second Harvest Food Bank Front Office Volunteer

Second Harvest Food Bank is seeking a dedicated volunteer to assist our front office staff with donations and Food and Fund Drive materials during our busy holiday season. The position would begin as soon as possible and end on January 9, 2009

Winter Wildlife Docent

The Winter Wildlife Docent promotes awareness and protection of northern elephant seals, gray whales, and other marine life by helping visitors view, understand, and appreciate these species; helps visitors understand the ongoing management and research issues relating to northern elephant seals in Point Reyes National Seashore; and provides general park information and assistance to visitors.

Adopt-a-Family for the Holidays

Each year Compass Community Services plans ways to celebrate the holidays with our families in need. It is a time of year that can be particularly difficult for parents and children who have so little. One of the ways Compass Community Services tries to make it a bit brighter is through our annual Adopt-A-Family Project.

Annual Ice Skating Party at Yerba Buena Center

Yerba Buena Center needs volunteers to help out on this fun day. This event is for kids with disabilities and their families. Volunteers help push children in wheelchairs and chairs on the ice, help the children put on their skates, pass out desserts, register families, and give out gifts! It's a fun day for the volunteers.

Winter Solstice Planting with Save the Bay

Winter is planting season at Save The Bay! Celebrate the upcoming Winter Solstice by planting native seedlings like California rose and bee plant into the marshes along the Martin Luther King Jr. Shoreline. Help Save the Bay take advantage of the wet season and in doing so restore critical wetland habitat for Bay wildlife. Think about it as giving a gift back to the Bay for the holidays!

53rd Annual Green Room Party for City Youth Now

The Annual Green Room Party is a great way to kick off the

The Annual Green Room Party is a great way to mark the Holiday Season and raise money to provide gifts for thousands of forgotten children in San Francisco! Since 1950, City Youth Now has provided thousands of holiday gifts to the abused, neglected, and troubled children in San Francisco's Juvenile Court System.

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