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## Real Strategies and Resources for Helping People in Your Community and Beyond

There are many ways to help those around us, and [Harlem Museum and Welcome Center](#) is excited to share some real-world resources and strategies with you. No matter where you live or your interests, there is likely a way for you to plug in and make a difference in your community. And these ideas and resources can get you started!

### **Decide How You Want to Help**

*The first step is determining the most important issues to you and finding the organizations you want to support.*

- Consider giving to the Make-a-Wish Foundation, Boys & Girls Club of America, or another organization that [supports local youth](#).
- If you would rather help families with [domestic needs](#), give your time or money to the Salvation Army or Feeding America.
- Or give your time or money to promote the local [arts and history scene](#).

- Check out [VolunteerMatch](#), which connects volunteers with opportunities in their area. You can search for specific causes or keywords to find the perfect match for you.

### **Connect With People**

*Another way to impact your community is by meeting new people and developing friendships around healthy activities.*

- Join a local [exercise group](#) and see if you can help any of its members with the challenges they're facing.
- Identify a problem in your neighborhood and network with people to fix it. For example, if the local park needs to be upgraded, perhaps you could [convince a contractor](#) to donate their time and materials.
- If you want to help immigrants in your community overcome obstacles, find a freelance immigration attorney through an [online job board](#).

### **Go Big With a Business**

*If you have an entrepreneurial spirit and want to help others, starting a non-profit organization can fill your life with purpose.*

- Draft a mission statement and business plan to tell people your [primary goals](#) and guide your non-profit to success.
- Find out if your state allows non-profits to form a limited liability company and work with a formation service if it's an option. Search "[LLC Georgia](#)" to kickstart your research!
- Surround yourself with a [dedicated team](#), a trustworthy board of directors, and other people who believe in your cause.

These are just a few ideas to get you started. We encourage you to explore and find the best way for you to plug in and help those around you, whether it's through giving your time, money, or resources. We're all in this together!

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