

United Way Weekend of Service

Volunteers sign up for projects honoring King

To honor Dr. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. and his legacy, United Way of the Columbia-Willamette and partners will be mobilizing hundreds of volunteers this weekend to perform community projects as part of its 13th annual MLK Weekend of Service.

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Volunteers honor the legacy of Dr. Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. by participating with SOLVE in the United Way's MLK Weekend of Service picking up litter on Northeast Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard. Sixty community projects are part of this year's weekend of service and you can still sign up at unitedway-pdx.org/mlk.



"WHAT DOES THE LEGACY OF MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. MEAN TO YOU?"

"As a person of color, Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy serves as a daily reminder of my obligation to make my community a better place everyday. The sacrifices made by him and his peers have afforded me the opportunity to succeed in places my family never dreamed of, and I hope I can lay the groundwork for other people like me to find success in new places."

Horacio Peña
Fan Development Coordinator

"Martin Luther King Jr.'s legacy has impacted me because I can live as a black woman, and pursue countless opportunities, in America due to his sacrifice. While I still face many dangers due to the color of my skin and gender, I am grateful, blessed and inspired to live each day to the fullest and by my best self."

India March
Brand Strategy Production Coordinator

"His legacy impacts me every day as he paved the way for me to be able to do what I do with the Trail Blazers (advancing diversity, equity, and inclusion). When I think of him and his legacy, I think of a quote by Lilla Watson, "If you have come here to help me, you are wasting your time. But if you have come because your liberation is bound up with mine, then let us work together." He embodied that quote, and part of my life mission is to be the embodiment of what King fought and died for."

Octavia Chambers
Director of Equity and Inclusion

"MLK has impacted my entire life. From facing adversity head on to keep fighting and working for a life that I know I deserve."

Brian Buck
Corporate Ticket Sales Manager

"Without Martin Luther King Jr., I wouldn't understand the power my own voice has in speaking up for others that may not feel seen or heard. I am thankful for his contributions and without him, I wouldn't be fortunate enough to experience things my grandparents couldn't experience in the Jim Crow south."

Alexis McKinney
Group Experience Manager



Joyce Washington

Born: 1937 - 1996

Joyce Washington Believed in this Community and all those that made this Community Great.

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