

Mission & Service

If your event includes a service and mission component, it is important to do a couple of things to prepare.

First, consider the “why” and “how” as you design it.

- Why are we doing this?
- Why or how does it fit the purpose of the event?
- How does this service component reflect the theme?
- How does this truly serve God and our partners in mission?

Any service or mission element should be carefully woven into the fabric of your full event. Make sure it is not just an added activity, but a thoughtful way of engaging with the theme and community. In order to demonstrate true collaboration in service, invite mission partner representatives and community members to be involved in planning and participating in the event.

Second, a successful service component requires a good bit of planning, direction, and communication among different parties before, during, and after the event. If possible, appoint a coordinator or special team to help manage these responsibilities. This person or team can provide ways of intentionally integrating this component into the overall event. They can also be responsible for several logistics including supplies, signage, instructions, recruiting and communicating with leaders, transportation, meals, safety, hospitality, weather issues, and more.

Links to multiple mission and service-related resources can be found in the “Resources” section of this guide.