

Each of you should use whatever gift you have
received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's
grace in its various forms.

1 PETER 4:10, NIV

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Serving Communities
in Christ's Name



ABOUT

Adventist Community Services is a community outreach ministry of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the North American Division.

VISION

- expanding the scope of community services
- building collaborative partnerships
- integrating education in leadership development

SHARING

We proclaim the good news of salvation by actively demonstrating the love of God.

CONNECTING

We build relationships with people, connecting them with their community, family, and God.

MINISTERING

We minister to the communities we serve by focusing on their physical, mental, social, and spiritual well-being.

DISCIPLESHIP

We empower and engage members to serve their communities by teaching, mentoring, and equipping in holistic ministry.





OLDER ADULT MINISTRY

Addressing the needs of older adults and caregivers in our communities

ACS Older Adult Ministry offers specialized trainings for local church groups and volunteers, preparing them to reach out to the community of older adults in their region.

Training Topics

- How to present practical solutions for successful aging
- How to start and plan local programs with and for older adults



Training Topics

- Addressing fears, hopes, and dreams in this demographic
- How to foster relationships with older adults for God's kingdom

Learn More

Visit the Adventist Learning Community for courses relating to Older Adult Ministry.

TUTORING & MENTORING

Supporting academic and life-skill development for young people and adults in our communities



ACS Tutoring & Mentoring ministries encourage Adventist volunteers to facilitate trusting relationships with students of all ages as they work toward academic success and a better life.

Children & Youth

After-school tutoring and mentoring provides disadvantaged young people with resources for physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual growth.



Adults

Programs and classes are designed to support successful, independent life foster positive relationships and a better future.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & URBAN MINISTRIES

Engaging with our communities to solve chronic, systemic problems in a whole-person way



ACS Community Development & Urban Ministries (ACS CD&UM) seeks to offer physical, emotional, social, and spiritual support to individuals and families in their neighborhoods.

- Acknowledging and accepting the needs of the whole community means how ministry is conducted can be more important than services rendered.
- Allowing the community to influence, inform, and work with ACS CD&UM ministries toward long-term solutions is essential for success.

BAN MINISTRIES

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ACS CD&UM educates Adventist volunteers on best practices for connecting with their local communities to address felt needs.

- Community Services & Urban Ministry Certification Program
- Nonprofit Leadership Certification Program

Learn More

Visit the Adventist Learning Community for courses relating to Community Development & Urban Ministries.

DISASTER RESPONSE

Helping survivors of disasters and traumatic events in our communities



ACS Disaster Response (ACSDR) regularly serves in donations management following a disaster.

- Managing collection centers
- Managing donation distribution centers
- Managing multi-agency warehouses



In communities affected by crisis events, ACSDR can also coordinate:

- Sheltering
- Disaster assessment
- Needs assessment

EMOTIONAL & SPIRITUAL CARE

Comforting members of our communities in times of crisis

ACS Emotional & Spiritual Care teaches local pastors, mental health professionals, and church volunteers how to offer “psychological first aid” to individuals and groups recovering from extreme stress.

- Volunteers with the ACS Emotional & Spiritual Care credential can collaborate with local police and fire services to facilitate recovery for victims of difficult events.
- The ACS Emotional & Spiritual Care credential is International Critical Incident Stress Foundation (ICISF) certified and exceeds National Volunteers Active in Disaster (NVOAD) standards.





Learn More

Visit the Adventist Learning Community for courses relating to Emotional & Spiritual Care.



YOUNG ADULTS IN SERVICE

ACS Young Adults in Service empowers young adults to serve their communities as part of a network of volunteers with talents and skills in leadership.

- ACS Young Adults in Service collaborates with affiliate schools, youth organizations, Pathfinder Clubs, and community service groups to reach communities across North America.
- Young Adults in Service participate in planned service events, disaster response, and emergency relief efforts coordinated by ACS.

