

Calendar of Events

February 26, 2024

ALIVE Member Webinar - All are welcome!

03:00 PM - 03:30 PM EST

*Meet your peers and colleagues at an ALIVE Member webinar!
In this 30 minute call, we will highlight:*

Member benefits

Resources & where to find them

Associations goals for 2024

Discuss what's happening in the field on a regional or national level

Bring your own topic - have a question you need to discuss? We're happy to connect.

All members are invited to attend! Considering membership? You're also welcome to attend to learn more.

Can't make this meeting? Check our calendar for the next date. They are about six weeks apart.

We look forward to seeing you online!

February 27, 2024

Animal Welfare COP

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST

Meetings will be held bimonthly (every 2 months) with the first meeting on Wednesday, April 28th at 8-9pm ET (5-6pm PT). Following meetings will be 10 AM Pacific, 1 PM Eastern:

2024: February 22, April 26, June 28, Aug 23, Oct 25, Dec 27

The COP - Animal Welfare is designed to include a broad range of animal welfare organizations such as animal shelters, rescue groups, foster-based programs, sanctuaries, direct care for animals, and humane education programs. The objective of this COP is to connect volunteer engagement professionals within these organizations to share resources and best practices. This informal venue encourages open discussions for anyone seeking or offering advice in tackling the unique challenges facing volunteer leaders in the animal welfare field.

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Food Banks COP

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Join your peers for discussions for those who manage food banks, hunger organizations, or nutrition programs. This COP will meet Quarterly, on the first Tuesday @ 3 PM Eastern. See dates below.

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2024 Dates:

Jan 2

Feb 6

Mar 5

Apr 2

May 7

Jun 4

Jul 2

Aug 6

Sep 3

Oct 1

Nov 5

Dec 3

For more information, contact facilitator Elizabeth Garrabrant.

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CVA Credential Information Session

Virtual event using Zoom

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

Ashley Rieser, 14129308048

outreach@cvacert.org

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Health Care COP Meeting Noon Eastern

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This is an ALIVE Communities of Practice for those involved in managing volunteers or programs in health care settings such as hospitals, hospice, Blood Banks, Health care facilities, long-term health centers, etc. Health care can have some unique situations, requirements, and environments for volunteers! Join your colleagues in discussion about your questions, situations, needs, and share your experiences with others as well. Let's support each other!

*Upon registering, we will email you the meeting log in information (and a reminder, too).
(All times Noon E)*

2024: Jan 11, Mar 14, May 9, July 11, Sept 12, Nov 14

January topic: Data Collection: What do you want to measure in 2024?

March topic: Volunteer Recognition

May topic: Summer teens

July topic: Creating / Utilizing a Volunteer Advisory Council

September topic: Lessons Learned From Falling Flat

November topic: Creating/Utilizing a Mentor Program

For more information about this COP, please contact Marie Howell, Health Care COP facilitator.

Look forward to seeing you there!

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Emergency Response Volunteer Programs COP

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

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Join in the conversation about volunteers programs that manages volunteers who respond during an emergency. This is a very broad range from citizen corps, Red Cross, government, state, federal and non-profit. Share success and struggles during blue skies, gray skies and black skies. How to keep your volunteers engaged year around when things are (enter Q word here). Between meetings, share burning questions or share resources on the Emergency Response Volunteer Programs message board

here https://mms.volunteeralive.org/members/forum/board_list.php (Must be signed in to Member Log In). This is where we can share best practices, ask questions, brag, vent and connect.

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This COP meets at 2 PM Eastern on :

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Rural Programs COP (managing programs in Rural or Frontier Communities)

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

This virtual Community of Practice supports volunteer engagement professionals managing programs in and across rural communities. These monthly peer-to-peer sessions address some of the challenges that come with operating in geographic areas with lower population numbers and that are located outside of more suburban and urban areas. Members use these sessions to troubleshoot issues, to give and receive support, and to share strategies, best practices, and resources for effective volunteer program management.

2024 Meetings will be held (All times 2 PM Eastern):

January 16, February 20, March 19,

April 16, May 21, June 18,

July 16, August 20, September 17,

October 15, November 19, December 17

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March 20, 2024

Book Club COP 2024 Jan & Feb Book: Everything is Figureoutable by Marie Forleo

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM EST

All 2024 dates: Jan 24, Feb 21, Mar 20, April 17, May 15, June 12, July 17, Aug 21, Sept 18, Oct 16

Jan & Feb Book Club: Everything is Figureoutable by Marie Forleo

From the host of the award-winning MarieTV and The Marie Forleo Podcast, an indispensable handbook for becoming the creative force of your own life. While most self-help books offer quick fixes, Everything is Figureoutable will retrain your brain to think more creatively and positively in the face of setbacks. In the words of Cheryl Strayed, it's "a must-read for anyone who wants to face their fears, fulfill their dreams, and find a better way forward."

If you're having trouble solving a problem or reaching a dream, the problem isn't you. It's that you haven't yet installed the one belief that changes everything. Marie's mom once told her, "Nothing in life is that complicated. You can do whatever you set your mind to if you roll up your sleeves. Everything is figureoutable." Whether you want to leave a dead end job, break an addiction, learn to dance, heal a relationship, or grow a business, Everything is Figureoutable will show you how.

You'll learn:

The habit that makes it 42% more likely you'll achieve your goals.

How to overcome a lack of time and money.

How to deal with criticism and imposter syndrome.

It's more than just a fun phrase to say. It's a philosophy of relentless optimism. A mindset. A mantra. A conviction. Most important, it's about to make you unstoppable.

READING SCHEDULE:

January 24: Chapters 1-6

February 21: Chapters 7-10+Epilogue

Facilitated by Brittany McGarry, MA, CVA . She is a Senior Manager in Volunteer Engagement at the National MS Society. Currently residing in Denver, CO and working remotely full time, she enjoys a good networking happy hour, especially if it's on a patio when weather allows. With a Bachelor's degree in Communication from Bellarmine University, a Master's degree in College Student Development from Appalachian State University and completing her Certification in Volunteer Administration (CVA) in 2021, she thrives on being a forever learner.

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March 21, 2024

Parks & Recreation COP

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AL!VE Parks & Recreation Community of Practice

The Parks & Recreation Lunch and Learn COP is designed to include a broad range of topics regarding urban and rural parks, botanical gardens, parks, and nature preserves. The objective of this COP is to connect volunteer engagement professionals within these organizations to share resources and best practices.

This informal venue encourages open discussions for anyone seeking or offering advice in tackling the unique challenges facing volunteer engagement professionals in the Parks & Rec field. Bring your lunch/brunch and beverage! If you're not sure if you fit with us, please join us!

This COP is facilitated by

Meagan Patterson, Gateway Arch Park Foundation, Volunteer Manager

Yvonne Dunphe, Five Rivers Metroparks, Volunteer Coordinator

This COP will meet from noon-1pm Eastern.

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For more information please contact:

Megan Patterson

Yvonne Dunphe

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Museums & Cultural Institutions COP

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM CST

Museums & Cultural Institutions Community of Practice:

This is an ALIVE Communities of Practice for those managing volunteers in museums, galleries, cultural and arts centers. Join us as we discuss and share insights and experiences that we are all having in the arts education/enrichment communities. COVID has posed certain challenges and changes for us all so let's rely on each other for ideas and inspiration! This will be a time for networking, sharing ideas, asking questions, and brainstorming with your peers.

2024: Jan 18, Mar 21, May 23

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National Networks COP Jan 22, Mar 25, May 20, Jul 22, Sep 23, Nov 25

02:30 PM - 03:30 PM EST

National Networks COP:

Those working at a national level face different issues than those operating on a local or regional level. Often national level leaders are engaged in big picture, strategic or policy decision-making. Sometimes those operating at a national level don't work directly with volunteers, but rather help empower others in their organizations who do. Join the discussion to connect and learn from others working nationally. We invite anyone looking to brainstorm around the unique issues facing volunteer leaders on a national level. This COP group will be a chance to network, share expertise, ask questions, and solve problems with your peers.

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March ALIVE Academy: Leading From Your Identity

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

March ALIVE Academy: Leading From Your Identity Presented by Jared Peer, CVA

Imposter Syndrome persists in Volunteer Administration for a variety of reasons. One of the biggest reasons is because in volunteer leadership careers, WHAT we DO is inextricably linked to WHO we ARE.

We'll take a deep look at the sort of attitudes and skills leaders of volunteers can cultivate in order to be successful. Your identity, who you are, might just be the most important tool in your volunteer toolbox.

About our Presenter:

Jared has volunteered - and lead volunteers - all his life. He discovered leading volunteers professionally after years of exploring a variety of for-profit, nonprofit, and ministry careers. After leading volunteers at a zoo through the Covid-19 pandemic, he stepped into a role with a local social services organization. He now leads volunteers for an AmeriCorps Seniors program to meet local community needs in East Tennessee.

ALIVE Academy Webinars are free for Individual, Agency and Local Association members. The general public is welcome to attend, but will be billed \$25 after attending and will receive a copy of the slide deck, recording, and attendance certificate upon request. If you registered as a Local association member, please be sure you have listed your local association's acronym or name in the registration. Learn more about ALIVE membership at our website.

March 27, 2024

Local Association COP 2024: March 27, June 26, September 25, Summit Oct 30

01:00 PM - 02:30 PM EST

Local Associations Communities of Practice

Join your peers involved in your local association (DOVIA, AVA, etc)

2024: March 27, June 26, September 25

National Summit Oct 30

Our topics for 2024 will be announced in January 2024.

2023 topics can be found in the members only area, under Resources/File Archive and include:

Financial and Legal –

Financial Frameworks

Board Insurance

Fundraising

Marketing and Outreach

Communications and Networking

Member Recruitment and Benefits

Program Planning and Event Logistics

Succession Planning

Leadership Implementation and Sustainability

Board Structure and Support

Administrative Framework and Removing Barriers

ALIVE local association members can invite as many attendees as they like; within this registration you can register everyone.

You can access these Local Association COP past recordings in the file archive section on the members only page.

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March 28, 2024

ALIVE Networking Social - All Are Welcome!

04:00 PM - 04:45 PM EST

All are welcome to join our quarterly networking social for anyone involved in Volunteer Engagement.

All Volunteer Engagement Professionals are welcome to attend a networking social event, quarterly at 5 pm Eastern for 45 minutes. Feel free to leave early or come late as your schedule allows. Connect and network with your peers for live discussions - ask questions and let us know what's on your mind!

All times Eastern:

March 28

June 17

September 13

December 4

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Door prizes, networking and camaraderie will be on hand. Don't miss it!

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April 3, 2024

Transportation COP Noon Central, 1 PM Eastern

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST

This is the meeting for the AL!VE Transportation Community of Practice. This meeting is open for AL!VE members and all volunteer engagement professionals (first one is free, the subsequent will be for members only).

The call will last one hour and will focus specifically on volunteer programs with transportation as a volunteer role.

After registering, you'll be emailed a zoom link to the event. We will send a reminder too!

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April 13, 2024

Mental Health COP

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

ALIVE Community of Practice - Mental Health COP

*July 13, October 11, January 11 * date change *, 2024, April 13 2024*

Each year millions of Americans with mental illness struggle to find mental health care. Despite the passage of the Mental Health Parity and Addictions Equity Act of 2008, significant barriers remain which keep many Americans from accessing mental health treatment and support. As individuals struggle to access care, a common form of support many turn to are community based or national short term services such as crisis hotlines. With the existence of organizations like The Crisis Text Line and 988, the growth of these platforms and the increasing supply and demand of volunteers to help staff the lines has created a need for professional staff to oversee quickly scaling volunteer bases that are at risk for burnout and tertiary trauma as a result of exposure to graphic and intense feelings of suicide, among other things. Despite these risks, the need and desire to hold space for those in crisis, has created a need for volunteer engagement professionals to navigate creating engagement and community for these amazing volunteers.

Through connection and an open forum, we will discuss how we can best support volunteers in the mental health field in the hopes of creating sustainable and healthy volunteer experiences.

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Literacy COP

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

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April 18, 2024

Volunteer Programs in Local Government COP

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

Let's talk about Government volunteer programs. This community of practice discusses the challenge and successes of operating a volunteer program within a government structure.

All times 1 PM Eastern for 1 hour.

2024: Jan 18, April 18, July 18, Oct 17

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Animal Welfare COP

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST

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2024: February 22, April 26, June 28, Aug 23, Oct 25, Dec 27

The COP - Animal Welfare is designed to include a broad range of animal welfare organizations such as animal shelters, rescue groups, foster-based programs, sanctuaries, direct care for animals, and humane education programs. The objective of this COP is to connect volunteer engagement professionals within these organizations to share resources and best practices. This informal venue encourages open discussions for anyone seeking or offering advice in tackling the unique challenges facing volunteer leaders in the animal welfare field.

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April 24, 2024
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Varies - see website

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May 1, 2024

Advisory Boards & Committees COP

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

The Advisory Boards & Committees COP group will be a chance to network, share expertise, ask questions, and solve problems with your peers.

Meeting times are 3 PM Eastern on:

2024: February 7, May 1, August 7, November 6

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May 9, 2024

Health Care COP Meeting Noon Eastern

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*Upon registering, we will email you the meeting log in information (and a reminder, too).
(All times Noon E)*

2024: Jan 11, Mar 14, May 9, July 11, Sept 12, Nov 14

January topic: Data Collection: What do you want to measure in 2024?

March topic: Volunteer Recognition

May topic: Summer teens

July topic: Creating / Utilizing a Volunteer Advisory Council

September topic: Lessons Learned From Falling Flat

November topic: Creating/Utilizing a Mentor Program

For more information about this COP, please contact Marie Howell, Health Care COP facilitator.

Look forward to seeing you there!

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<https://hubs.li/Q01R-Gys0>

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Certified in Volunteer Administration (CVA) is an international professional certification in the field of volunteer resources management

In this session, you will learn about the CCVA, why certification may be right for you, how the exam is created, what the application, preparation, and certification process is, and when you will be ready.

May 16, 2024

Parks & Recreation COP

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM EST

AL!VE Parks & Recreation Community of Practice

The Parks & Recreation Lunch and Learn COP is designed to include a broad range of topics regarding urban and rural parks, botanical gardens, parks, and nature preserves. The objective of this COP is to connect volunteer engagement professionals within these organizations to share resources and best practices.

This informal venue encourages open discussions for anyone seeking or offering advice in tackling the unique challenges facing volunteer engagement professionals in the Parks & Rec field. Bring your lunch/brunch and beverage! If you're not sure if you fit with us, please join us!

This COP is facilitated by

Meagan Patterson, Gateway Arch Park Foundation, Volunteer Manager

Yvonne Dunphe, Five Rivers Metroparks, Volunteer Coordinator

This COP will meet from noon-1pm Eastern.

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For more information please contact:

Megan Patterson

Yvonne Dunphe

May 20, 2024

National Networks COP Jan 22, Mar 25, May 20, Jul 22, Sep 23, Nov 25

02:30 PM - 03:30 PM EST

National Networks COP:

Those working at a national level face different issues than those operating on a local or regional level. Often national level leaders are engaged in big picture, strategic or policy decision-making. Sometimes those operating at a national level don't work directly with volunteers, but rather help empower others in their organizations who do. Join the discussion to connect and learn from others working nationally. We invite anyone looking to brainstorm around the unique issues facing volunteer leaders on a national level. This COP group will be a chance to network, share expertise, ask questions, and solve problems with your peers.

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02:00 PM - 03:00 PM CST

Museums & Cultural Institutions Community of Practice:

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Points of Light Conference - Houston, TX

Varies - see website

More information to follow. For more information visit pointsoflight.org

June 17, 2024

ALIVE Networking Social - All Are Welcome!

04:00 PM - 04:45 PM EST

All are welcome to join our quarterly networking social for anyone involved in Volunteer Engagement.

All Volunteer Engagement Professionals are welcome to attend a networking social event, quarterly at 5 pm Eastern for 45 minutes. Feel free to leave early or come late as your schedule allows. Connect and network with your peers for live discussions - ask questions and let us know what's on your mind!

All times Eastern:

March 28

June 17

September 13

December 4

When you register, we will send the meeting information, and you'll be signed up for the following sessions for the rest of the year. You can always opt out by emailing us.

Door prizes, networking and camaraderie will be on hand. Don't miss it!

Open to all in the field of volunteer engagement. We look forward to seeing you!

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here https://mms.volunteeralive.org/members/forum/board_list.php (Must be signed in to Member Log In). This is where we can share best practices, ask questions, brag, vent and connect.

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Local Association COP 2024: March 27, June 26, September 25, Summit Oct 30

01:00 PM - 02:30 PM EST

Local Associations Communities of Practice

Join your peers involved in your local association (DOVIA, AVA, etc)

2024: March 27, June 26, September 25

National Summit Oct 30

Our topics for 2024 will be announced in January 2024.

2023 topics can be found in the members only area, under Resources/File Archive and include:

Financial and Legal –

Financial Frameworks

Board Insurance

Fundraising

Marketing and Outreach

Communications and Networking

Member Recruitment and Benefits

Program Planning and Event Logistics

Succession Planning

Leadership Implementation and Sustainability

Board Structure and Support

Administrative Framework and Removing Barriers

ALIVE local association members can invite as many attendees as they like; within this registration you can register everyone.

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Transportation COP Noon Central, 1 PM Eastern

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST

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The call will last one hour and will focus specifically on volunteer programs with transportation as a volunteer role.

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Parks & Recreation COP

12:00 PM - 01:00 PM EST

AL!VE Parks & Recreation Community of Practice

The Parks & Recreation Lunch and Learn COP is designed to include a broad range of topics regarding urban and rural parks, botanical gardens, parks, and nature preserves. The objective of this COP is to connect volunteer engagement professionals within these organizations to share resources and best practices.

This informal venue encourages open discussions for anyone seeking or offering advice in tackling the unique challenges facing volunteer engagement professionals in the Parks & Rec field. Bring your lunch/brunch and beverage! If you're not sure if you fit with us, please join us!

This COP is facilitated by

Meagan Patterson, Gateway Arch Park Foundation, Volunteer Manager

Yvonne Dunphe, Five Rivers Metroparks, Volunteer Coordinator

This COP will meet from noon-1pm Eastern.

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2024: March 21, May 16, July 18, Septmeber 19, Novmeber 21

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For more information please contact:

Megan Patterson

Yvonne Dunphe

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Volunteer Programs in Local Government COP

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

Let's talk about Government volunteer programs. This community of practice discusses the challenge and successes of operating a volunteer program within a government structure.

All times 1 PM Eastern for 1 hour.

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July 22, 2024

National Networks COP Jan 22, Mar 25, May 20, Jul 22, Sep 23, Nov 25

02:30 PM - 03:30 PM EST

National Networks COP:

Those working at a national level face different issues than those operating on a local or regional level. Often national level leaders are engaged in big picture, strategic or policy decision-making. Sometimes those operating at a national level don't work directly with volunteers, but rather help empower others in their organizations who do. Join the discussion to connect and learn from others working nationally. We invite anyone looking to brainstorm around the unique issues facing volunteer leaders on a national level. This COP group will be a chance to network, share expertise, ask questions, and solve problems with your peers.

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August 7, 2024

Advisory Boards & Committees COP

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

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Meeting times are 3 PM Eastern on:

2024: February 7, May 1, August 7, November 6

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September 13, 2024

ALIVE Networking Social - All Are Welcome!

04:00 PM - 04:45 PM EST

All are welcome to join our quarterly networking social for anyone involved in Volunteer Engagement.

All Volunteer Engagement Professionals are welcome to attend a networking social event, quarterly at 5 pm Eastern for 45 minutes. Feel free to leave early or come late as your schedule allows. Connect and network with your peers for live discussions - ask questions and let us know what's on your mind!

All times Eastern:

March 28

June 17

September 13

December 4

When you register, we will send the meeting information, and you'll be signed up for the following sessions for the rest of the year. You can always opt out by emailing us.

Door prizes, networking and camaraderie will be on hand. Don't miss it!

Open to all in the field of volunteer engagement. We look forward to seeing you!

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This COP is facilitated by

Meagan Patterson, Gateway Arch Park Foundation, Volunteer Manager

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For more information please contact:

Megan Patterson

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National Networks COP Jan 22, Mar 25, May 20, Jul 22, Sep 23, Nov 25

02:30 PM - 03:30 PM EST

National Networks COP:

Those working at a national level face different issues than those operating on a local or regional level. Often national level leaders are engaged in big picture, strategic or policy decision-making. Sometimes those operating at a national level don't work directly with volunteers, but rather help empower others in their organizations who do. Join the discussion to connect and learn from others working nationally. We invite anyone looking to brainstorm around the unique issues facing volunteer leaders on a national level. This COP group will be a chance to network, share expertise, ask questions, and solve problems with your peers.

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09:30 AM - 10:30 PM EST

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Transportation COP Noon Central, 1 PM Eastern

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST

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The call will last one hour and will focus specifically on volunteer programs with transportation as a volunteer role.

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Calls will be held on

All times Noon Central, 1 PM Eastern

2024 dates: January 3, April 3, July 3 & October 2

October 9, 2024

AmeriCorps Seniors COP

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

This COP is for those managing an AmeriCorps Seniors program(s) as a grantee or sponsor. This includes Foster Grandparent Program (FGP), RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program), and SCP (Senior Companion Program. Join us as we are a sounding board for sharing best practices and resources that are unique to federal grants and the older volunteers we work alongside.

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02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

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Volunteer Programs in Local Government COP

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Let's talk about Government volunteer programs. This community of practice discusses the challenge and successes of operating a volunteer program within a government structure.

All times 1 PM Eastern for 1 hour.

2024: Jan 18, April 18, July 18, Oct 17

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Animal Welfare COP

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST

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2024: February 22, April 26, June 28, Aug 23, Oct 25, Dec 27

The COP - Animal Welfare is designed to include a broad range of animal welfare organizations such as animal shelters, rescue groups, foster-based programs, sanctuaries, direct care for animals, and humane education programs. The objective of this COP is to connect volunteer engagement professionals within these organizations to share resources and best practices. This informal venue encourages open discussions for anyone seeking or offering advice in tackling the unique challenges facing volunteer leaders in the animal welfare field.

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"Creating Influence In Your Organization: Thinking Beyond A Seat At The Table"

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Advisory Boards & Committees COP

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

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November 14, 2024

Health Care COP Meeting Noon Eastern

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2024: Jan 11, Mar 14, May 9, July 11, Sept 12, Nov 14

January topic: Data Collection: What do you want to measure in 2024?

March topic: Volunteer Recognition

May topic: Summer teens

July topic: Creating / Utilizing a Volunteer Advisory Council

September topic: Lessons Learned From Falling Flat

November topic: Creating/Utilizing a Mentor Program

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Look forward to seeing you there!

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This COP is facilitated by

Meagan Patterson, Gateway Arch Park Foundation, Volunteer Manager

Yvonne Dunphe, Five Rivers Metroparks, Volunteer Coordinator

This COP will meet from noon-1pm Eastern.

**note* When you register, you will be automatically be registered for all the future COP dates (listed below) and reminders will be sent - the COP will use the same zoom link every meeting.*

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2024: March 21, May 16, July 18, Septmeber 19, Novmeber 21

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For more information please contact:

Megan Patterson

Yvonne Dunphe

November 25, 2024

National Networks COP Jan 22, Mar 25, May 20, Jul 22, Sep 23, Nov 25

02:30 PM - 03:30 PM EST

National Networks COP:

Those working at a national level face different issues than those operating on a local or regional level. Often national level leaders are engaged in big picture, strategic or policy decision-making. Sometimes those operating at a national level don't work directly with volunteers, but rather help empower others in their organizations who do. Join the discussion to connect and learn from others working nationally. We invite anyone looking to brainstorm around the unique issues facing volunteer leaders on a national level. This COP group will be a chance to network, share expertise, ask questions, and solve problems with your peers.

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All times 2:30 Eastern

Jan 22, Mar 25, May 20, Jul 22, Sep 23, Nov 25

If you have any questions, please contact Sheri Wilensky Burke, COP Facilitator.

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December 3, 2024

Food Banks COP

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

Join your peers for discussions for those who manage food banks, hunger organizations, or nutrition programs. This COP will meet Quarterly, on the first Tuesday @ 3 PM Eastern. See dates below.

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2024 Dates:

Jan 2

Feb 6

Mar 5

Apr 2

May 7

Jun 4

Jul 2

Aug 6

Sep 3

Oct 1

Nov 5

Dec 3

For more information, contact facilitator Elizabeth Garrabrant.

To register, please continue with this form. You'll receive the log in information and reminders after registration.

Remember, you need to register for each event listed individually.

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December 4, 2024

ALIVE Networking Social - All Are Welcome!

04:00 PM - 04:45 PM EST

All are welcome to join our quarterly networking social for anyone involved in Volunteer Engagement.

All Volunteer Engagement Professionals are welcome to attend a networking social event, quarterly at 5 pm Eastern for 45 minutes. Feel free to leave early or come late as your schedule allows. Connect and network with your peers for live discussions - ask questions and let us know what's on your mind!

All times Eastern:

March 28

June 17

September 13

December 4

When you register, we will send the meeting information, and you'll be signed up for the following sessions for the rest of the year. You can always opt out by emailing us.

Door prizes, networking and camaraderie will be on hand. Don't miss it!

Open to all in the field of volunteer engagement. We look forward to seeing you!

December 4, 2024

CVA Credential Information Session

Virtual event using Zoom

05:00 PM - 06:00 PM EST

Ashley Rieser, 14129308048

outreach@cvacert.org

Take the next step in your career as a leader of volunteers and become certified in Volunteer Administration (CVA).

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December 11, 2024

AmeriCorps Seniors COP

03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

This COP is for those managing an AmeriCorps Seniors program(s) as a grantee or sponsor. This includes Foster Grandparent Program (FGP), RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer Program), and SCP (Senior Companion Program). Join us as we are a sounding board for sharing best practices and resources that are unique to federal grants and the older volunteers we work alongside.

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December 16, 2024

CVA Credential Information Session

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03:00 PM - 04:00 PM EST

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December 17, 2024

Rural Programs COP (managing programs in Rural or Frontier Communities)

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

This virtual Community of Practice supports volunteer engagement professionals managing programs in and across rural communities. These monthly peer-to-peer sessions address some of the challenges that come with operating in geographic areas with lower population numbers and that are located outside of more suburban and urban areas. Members use these sessions to troubleshoot issues, to give and receive support, and to share strategies, best practices, and resources for effective volunteer program management.

2024 Meetings will be held (All times 2 PM Eastern):

January 16, February 20, March 19,

April 16, May 21, June 18,

July 16, August 20, September 17,

October 15, November 19, December 17

To register for these dates, see the link below.

COP's are an exclusive ALIVE member benefit. Anyone is welcome to attend the first COP meeting, but after the first meeting we ask you become a member. Learn more here.

December 17, 2024

Literacy COP

02:00 PM - 03:00 PM EST

Literacy Community of Practice is a group of professionals with the interest of improving literacy levels for youth and adults. We convene bimonthly to offer support, share best practices, provide a safe space for discussion, and networking. For more information contact Brandy Tolbert, or Facilitators.

2024: Feb 20, April 16, June 18, Aug 20, Oct 15, Dec 17

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December 24, 2024

Animal Welfare COP

01:00 PM - 02:00 PM EST

Meetings will be held bimonthly (every 2 months) with the first meeting on Wednesday, April 28th at 8-9pm ET (5-6pm PT). Following meetings will be 10 AM Pacific, 1 PM Eastern:

2024: February 22, April 26, June 28, Aug 23, Oct 25, Dec 27

The COP - Animal Welfare is designed to include a broad range of animal welfare organizations such as animal shelters, rescue groups, foster-based programs, sanctuaries, direct care for animals, and humane education programs. The objective of this COP is to connect volunteer engagement professionals within these organizations to share resources and best practices. This informal venue encourages open discussions for anyone seeking or offering advice in tackling the unique challenges facing volunteer leaders in the animal welfare field.

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