

LIST OF CAUSES AND ISSUES FOR STRATEGIC VOLUNTEERING

<input type="checkbox"/> Abortion	<input type="checkbox"/> Educational Equity
<input type="checkbox"/> Academic Freedom	<input type="checkbox"/> Embryonic Stem Cell Research
<input type="checkbox"/> Affirmative Action	<input type="checkbox"/> Emergency Response
<input type="checkbox"/> Age Discrimination	<input type="checkbox"/> Employment and Workplace Issues
<input type="checkbox"/> Aging	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Issues
<input type="checkbox"/> Airport Security and Screening	<input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Pollution
<input type="checkbox"/> Alcoholism	<input type="checkbox"/> Equal Pay
<input type="checkbox"/> Animal Rights	<input type="checkbox"/> Euthanasia and Assisted Suicide
<input type="checkbox"/> Anti-Semitism	<input type="checkbox"/> Extinction and Species Loss
<input type="checkbox"/> Arts and Culture	<input type="checkbox"/> Feminism
<input type="checkbox"/> At-Risk Youth	<input type="checkbox"/> Firearms Policy
<input type="checkbox"/> Autism	<input type="checkbox"/> Flexible Workplaces
<input type="checkbox"/> Birth Control	<input type="checkbox"/> Food and Drug Safety
<input type="checkbox"/> Breastfeeding in Public	<input type="checkbox"/> Foster Care
<input type="checkbox"/> Bullying	<input type="checkbox"/> Gambling
<input type="checkbox"/> Campaign Finance Reform	<input type="checkbox"/> Gang Violence
<input type="checkbox"/> Campus Crime	<input type="checkbox"/> Gay Marriages
<input type="checkbox"/> Cancer	<input type="checkbox"/> Gender Issues
<input type="checkbox"/> Chemical Weapons	<input type="checkbox"/> Genetic Engineering
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Advocacy	<input type="checkbox"/> Gentrification
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Labor	<input type="checkbox"/> Global Change
<input type="checkbox"/> Child Obesity	<input type="checkbox"/> Global Warming
<input type="checkbox"/> Church-State Separation	<input type="checkbox"/> Green Living
<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights	<input type="checkbox"/> Gun Control
<input type="checkbox"/> Climate Change	<input type="checkbox"/> Hate Crimes
<input type="checkbox"/> Cloning	<input type="checkbox"/> Hazing
<input type="checkbox"/> Computer Crime	<input type="checkbox"/> Health Care Policy and Reform
<input type="checkbox"/> Conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> Higher Education Reform
<input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Advocacy and Information	<input type="checkbox"/> HIV/AIDS
<input type="checkbox"/> Consumer Debt and Bankruptcy	<input type="checkbox"/> Home Foreclosures
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporal Punishment	<input type="checkbox"/> Homelessness
<input type="checkbox"/> Corporate Downsizing	<input type="checkbox"/> Homosexuality
<input type="checkbox"/> Correction and Rehabilitation	<input type="checkbox"/> Honor Killings
<input type="checkbox"/> Death Penalty	<input type="checkbox"/> Housing
<input type="checkbox"/> Defense Spending and Preparedness	<input type="checkbox"/> Human Genome Projects
<input type="checkbox"/> Deforestation and Logging	<input type="checkbox"/> Human Rights
<input type="checkbox"/> Disabilities	<input type="checkbox"/> Human Trafficking
<input type="checkbox"/> Disaster Relief	<input type="checkbox"/> Hunger
<input type="checkbox"/> Discrimination	<input type="checkbox"/> Identity Theft
<input type="checkbox"/> Diversity	<input type="checkbox"/> Immigration Reform
<input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence	<input type="checkbox"/> Immunizations
<input type="checkbox"/> Drinking Age	<input type="checkbox"/> Indigenous People
<input type="checkbox"/> Drinking and Driving	<input type="checkbox"/> Infectious Diseases and Epidemics
<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/> Judicial Reform
<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Policy	<input type="checkbox"/> Juvenile Justice

<input type="checkbox"/> Drugs in Sports	<input type="checkbox"/> K-12 Education
<input type="checkbox"/> Early Childhood Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Language Policy
<input type="checkbox"/> Eating Disorders	<input type="checkbox"/> Suicide
<input type="checkbox"/> Education	<input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable Agriculture
<input type="checkbox"/> Legalization of Prostitution	<input type="checkbox"/> Sustainable Development
<input type="checkbox"/> LGBT Equality and Support	<input type="checkbox"/> Legal Services for Poor
<input type="checkbox"/> Literacy	<input type="checkbox"/> Legalization of Marijuana
<input type="checkbox"/> Media Ethics and Accountability	<input type="checkbox"/> Sweat Shops
<input type="checkbox"/> Media, Sex, and Violence	<input type="checkbox"/> Tax Reform
<input type="checkbox"/> Medical Malpractice	<input type="checkbox"/> Teen Pregnancy
<input type="checkbox"/> Mental Health	<input type="checkbox"/> Term Limits
<input type="checkbox"/> Microfinance	<input type="checkbox"/> Terrorism
<input type="checkbox"/> Minimum Wage	<input type="checkbox"/> Texting While Driving/Walking
<input type="checkbox"/> Mining	<input type="checkbox"/> Tobacco
<input type="checkbox"/> Multiculturalism	<input type="checkbox"/> Torture
<input type="checkbox"/> National Rifle Association	<input type="checkbox"/> Toxic Waste
<input type="checkbox"/> Needle Exchange Programs	<input type="checkbox"/> Unemployment
<input type="checkbox"/> Nuclear Proliferation	<input type="checkbox"/> Unions
<input type="checkbox"/> Obesity	<input type="checkbox"/> Urban Sprawl
<input type="checkbox"/> Oil and Gas	<input type="checkbox"/> Veterans' Issues
<input type="checkbox"/> Organ and Body Donation	<input type="checkbox"/> Video Games
<input type="checkbox"/> Organic Food	<input type="checkbox"/> Violence
<input type="checkbox"/> Outsourcing Jobs	<input type="checkbox"/> Violence Against Women
<input type="checkbox"/> Ozone Depletion	<input type="checkbox"/> Violence in Schools
<input type="checkbox"/> Peace and Nonviolence	<input type="checkbox"/> Waste Management
<input type="checkbox"/> Philanthropy	<input type="checkbox"/> Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene
<input type="checkbox"/> Police Abuse and Corruption	<input type="checkbox"/> Weapons Disarmament and Nonproliferation
<input type="checkbox"/> Pollution	<input type="checkbox"/> Weight and Nutrition
<input type="checkbox"/> Pornography	<input type="checkbox"/> Welfare Reform
<input type="checkbox"/> Poverty	<input type="checkbox"/> Whistleblowing
<input type="checkbox"/> Prayer in Schools	<input type="checkbox"/> Wilderness Protection
<input type="checkbox"/> Prison Reform	<input type="checkbox"/> Women's Rights
<input type="checkbox"/> Privacy	<input type="checkbox"/> Workplace Development
<input type="checkbox"/> Prostitution	<input type="checkbox"/> World Population
<input type="checkbox"/> Race and Racism	<input type="checkbox"/> Wrongful Convictions
<input type="checkbox"/> Racial Profiling	<input type="checkbox"/> Zoos
<input type="checkbox"/> Recycling	<input type="checkbox"/> Socially Responsible Investing
<input type="checkbox"/> Reproductive Health, Rights, and Justice	<input type="checkbox"/> Special Education
<input type="checkbox"/> Rioting	<input type="checkbox"/> Stress
<input type="checkbox"/> Secondhand Smoke	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Sex Trade	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Sexism	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Abuse	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Sexual Harassment	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Shorter Workweek	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Single Parenting	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/> Social Security Reform	<input type="checkbox"/>

1. First, check off all the causes or issues in the above chart that are of interest to you. Be sure to add any others that are not on the list.

2. If you have a long list of causes, go back through the list and try to prioritize the topic areas. Which ones are most important to you? Record these on your Criteria for Strategic Volunteering form.

3. If you are having trouble deciding what causes you'd like to focus on, you might find this exercise helpful:

Spend two weeks and keep track of any issues that peek your interest. Start by noticing which news stories, magazines, and books you read. What kinds of headlines grab your attention? Which stories do you take time to read all the way through? What blogs, news sites, or Twitter feeds do you follow? What are your favorite books? Are there any particular social or environmental topics that you've stumbled across that inspired you to seek more information? What discussions would you gravitate towards if you heard people talking about issues at a party? Spend some time thinking about your answers to these questions; you might be surprised to see a pattern emerge based on what info you're reading, following, or seeking out.