



Volunteer Driver for Urban Street Angels

POSITION DESCRIPTION

Day: Thursday or Friday

Pickup Time: 8:00 AM–10:30 AM, depending on route

Pickup Location:

Canteen – Thursday

Costco #781 – Thursday

Smart & Final #940 – Friday

Target #T0201 – Friday

Delivery Location: Urban Street Angels

Support Feeding San Diego's mission to end hunger by volunteering as a driver. We are currently recruiting a volunteer driver for community agency partner Urban Street Angels. Volunteers will use their personal vehicles to pick up food donations from designated retail locations and deliver them directly to Urban Street Angels. Feeding San Diego will recruit, onboard, and train all volunteer drivers before referring them to Urban Street Angels for ongoing coordination and management.

Volunteer Drivers are responsible for their own transportation costs. Feeding San Diego and Urban Street Angels does not reimburse volunteers for gas, mileage, vehicle maintenance, or other transportation-related expenses.

IMPACT

Each week, our network of volunteer drivers and community agency partners facilitates over 980 food rescue weekly pickups, rescuing over 1.6 million pounds of surplus food each month that would otherwise be sent to landfill. Become a Volunteer Driver and help further our mission.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

The Volunteer Driver will support Feeding San Diego's food recovery efforts by using their personal vehicle to pick up donated food from a designated retail location and deliver it directly to Urban Street Angels located in Central San Diego County.

Donations may include boxes, bags, or loose food items that will need to be safely transported in the volunteer's trunk or cargo area. Feeding San Diego will provide any specialized food-safety materials needed for the route, including a temperature gun and freezer blanket, when applicable. Volunteers are not expected to purchase these materials, and participating community partners should not require volunteers to purchase supplies for the role.





TIME COMMITMENT

Volunteer Drivers support a minimum of one recurring route per week. Urban Street Angels has pickup routes available on Thursday and Friday mornings.

Routes include:

- **Thursday:** Canteen at 9:00 AM or Costco #781 between 10:00–10:30 AM
- **Friday:** Smart & Final #940 at 8:00 AM or Target #T0201 at 9:00 AM

Each route is expected to take approximately 2 hours, including travel, pickup, and delivery. Donation volumes vary by location and week and range from approximately 150–600 lbs. An SUV, minivan, or vehicle with flexible cargo space is recommended.

Volunteers may commit to one recurring route and are not expected to cover all available routes. We ask for a minimum of a six-month commitment.

KEY SKILLS AND ABILITIES

To perform this job successfully, an individual must be able to perform each essential duty. The requirements below represent the knowledge, skill, and/or ability required. Reasonable accommodations may be made to allow all individuals to perform essential functions:

- You have a positive attitude and provide excellent customer service
- You are comfortable lifting up to 50 lbs for over 30 minutes (loading and unloading food).
- You have reliable access to a personal vehicle suitable for transporting food donations. Larger vehicles or vehicles with flexible cargo space may be especially well suited for this role.
- You are comfortable safely transporting boxes, bags, and loose food donations in your vehicle.

ADDITIONAL TRAINING

Feeding San Diego supports participating community agency partners with the recruitment and initial screening of volunteer drivers. Before being referred to Urban Street Angels, selected applicants will complete required Food Handler Training. Once referred, Urban Street Angels will provide any additional training specific to the volunteer driver role, including pickup and delivery procedures, scheduling, and other program-specific requirements.

Feeding San Diego will provide the specialized food-safety equipment required for the role, such as a temperature gun and freezer blanket. Volunteers are not expected to purchase equipment or supplies to participate in the program.

Required and role-specific training may include:

- **Food Handler Training:** A current Food Handler Card will be accepted if it was received or renewed within the past two years. Feeding San Diego will provide Food Handler



Training at no cost to volunteers who need to obtain or renew their certification. Training takes approximately 2–3 hours.

- **Partner-Specific Training:** Additional onboarding and training will be provided by the community partner after the volunteer is referred to their organization.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS

Contact Allison Brookover by email at abrookover@feedingsandiego.org. You can also visit feedingsandiego.org to learn more about making a difference in San Diego.