

Pro Bono Program

Creating a world where every person can live their healthiest life

The pro bono program allows team members to volunteer their time and expertise in service to non-profit organizations and communities across the globe.

How to apply for a project

- Optum team members can apply to participate in a project that fits their interests and skill sets through United For Giving
- Projects are typically 4-8 months in length and require ~2-5 hours per week (nonprofit partners dedicate ~2 hours per week)
- Manager approval is highly recommended, and pro bono work must not hinder business role performance

Benefits for team members

- Maximizes ability to make a difference on an issue area or organization they care about using their professional talents
- Enhances professional development, including working on a Common Language of Leadership (CLL) or other skill set focus area, builds project and/or organizational leadership, communication, and decision-making skills
- Many volunteers have used their pro bono experience to show their readiness to take on a new role or demonstrate the required skill sets needed for a promotion
- Builds relationships, breaks down organizational siloes, and creates greater external network



The pro bono initiative was my very first project management opportunity in Optum and, in fact, my whole career. I was fortunate to have the chance to lead a team from India, New Jersey, and Minnesota to build a website and marketing platform entirely from scratch for The Center for Hope, an orphanage for homeless children in Tanzania.

- Rohan Mukherjee, Optum Advisory Services



This photo captures our 2022 pro bono partner, GiGi's Playhouse Twin Cities, and our Optum skills-based volunteers on-site at the organization's office in St. Louis Park, MN.

How pro bono volunteers are making an impact

- By leveraging our industry knowledge and expertise, the program helps build and sustain nonprofits' capacity to achieve their mission (in a way they would not be able to do otherwise)
- Skills-based volunteers help nonprofits expand and improve their services, making it possible for them to make a more expansive and deeper impact on those they serve
- We focus on advancing equity to serve those most vulnerable in our communities and ensure greater access to resources, services, and opportunities



We could not have gotten this far without the work that you did. Y'all are doing more good and having more of an impact than you will ever know.

- Executive Director, Frazier Revitalization

(detailing impact of case management tool built by pro bono team)



Together for a healthier world

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2019-2022 impact

220+

projects completed

5,000,000+ lives impacted

\$32 million

financial impact on community organizations



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