



### Volunteer Bell Ringer Frequently Asked Questions

If you don't find your answer below, please call us at call (239) 775-9447.

#### Where does the money given to my red kettle go?

When you volunteer to bell ring, you help improve, and even save lives. The money dropped in a red kettle goes right back into your local community.

#### How long do I have to ring?

Volunteers can sign up for a minimum shift of two hours. To make it even more fun, we encourage you to find someone to ring with you. Groups of 4 or more are encouraged to take four hours or more to help The Salvation Army manage sites and volunteers more efficiently.

#### How many people can be at the kettle?

Most kettle sites have limited space. Groups of more than three people may intimidate potential donors. Generally, up to five people may ring at a kettle site at one time, except in special cases.

#### Is there an age requirement for bell ringers?

While anyone is invited to join us as a bell ringer, kids under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Teens 16 and older do not need to have an adult present. Families report bell

ringing is a great way to instill a sense of community spirit in young children.

#### Does bell ringing count as community service?

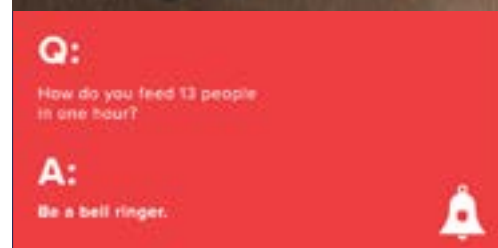
Yes, it does. If you would like to schedule community service hours, indicate this in the notes or comments field when you select your shift. Fill out as much of your form ahead of time and bring it with you to be signed. If you need additional documentation, please contact the kettle coordinator in your area.

#### What if I have to reschedule?

If you are unable to make your scheduled ringing time, please call your local Salvation Army office at least 48 hours before your shift.

#### Can I give our Christmas treats or gifts to shoppers?

As part of our agreements with the stores, we are not allowed to give out items or promotional materials at kettles. We ask that while you are volunteering you do not give anything such as candy canes, flyers or other items to shoppers.



SEPTEMBER 2019						
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
2 <b>Labor Day</b>	3 Orgs register for Toys for Tots collection boxes	4	5	6	7	8
9 Call Thrift Store for pick-up	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 <a href="#">Tweet about deal spotting on #ThriftyThursday</a>	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	For seasonal volunteer opportunities call Maria Ramos at (239) 210-3076.					

OCTOBER 2019						
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
<b>School Food Drive Month</b>	1 Orgs register for Toys for Tots collection boxes	2	3	34	5 Buy one Give one	6
7 Register to tutor children after school at TSA	8	9 Love tweets about school food drive	10	11	12	13
14	15	16 #CCPS Appreciation	17	18	19 Shop for holiday decor at thrift store.	20
21	22	23 #TeacherLove	24 <a href="#">Tweet about deal spotting on #ThriftyThursday</a>	25	26	27
28 <a href="#">Register your group to ring!</a>	29	30 #SWFL #FightForGood	31 <b>Halloween</b>	2018 fall food drives helped us serve 1,950 families during the holidays.		

NOVEMBER 2019						
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
<b>We need volunteer groups to ring! Sign up at <a href="http://www.RegisterToRing.com">www.RegisterToRing.com</a></b>				1	2	3 Register group to volunteer to ring at red kettles.
4 #VolunteerNaples	5 Begin Packing Food Boxes at Toy Shop	6	7 Toys for Tots Box Distribution	8	9 Buy a toy for Toys for Tots #unboxing	10
11 Post a picture of Toy Shop	12	13 Shop for holiday decor at thrift store.	14 <a href="#">Tweet about deal spotting on #ThriftyThursday</a>	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27 Buy one Give one	28 <b>Thanksgiving</b>	29 Red Kettle Bell Ringing Begins	30 #SmallBusiness Saturday post a Bell Ringer pic	

DECEMBER 2019						
MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
<b>Donate online at <a href="http://SalvationArmyNaples.org">SalvationArmyNaples.org</a></b>						1
2 #CyberMonday Adopt a classroom supply drive	3 #GivingTuesday post #UNselfie on Instagram	4	5	6 Tree Lighting Ceremony 5th Ave Naples	7 Tree Lighting Ceremony Marco Island	8
9 Last Day to collect gifts for Silver Bell Seniors	10	11 Silver Bell Seniors Gift Distribution	12 Toys for Tots collection ends	13 Immokalee Angel Gift Distribution	14 Christmas Parade Immokalee	15
16 Naples Angel Gift Distribution	17 Adopt-a-Family Distribution Day	18	19	20 Naples Toy Shop Clean up	21	22
23 Make a year end online gift	24 Red Kettle Fundraiser Ends	25 <b>Christmas</b>	26	27	28	29
30	31 <b>Christmas Eve</b>					

Notes in Purple are volunteer opportunity start dates, in Gold are online advocate opportunities, in Green are Collier public events, and holidays are in Red.

The Salvation Army Christmas Cheer Shop site has yet to be determined, call our Christmas Hotline at (239) 963-2244 or visit [SalvationArmyNaples.org](http://SalvationArmyNaples.org) for updates. v8/1/2019