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Volunteer Opportunities

Looking for a way to add meaning and purpose to your photography? Consider helping one of our local non-profits. From documenting fundraisers to creating images for their web sites to capturing their work in action, you have many ways to get involved. Don't worry about your photographic skills; the organizations are grateful for any help.

The organizations below have approached us for assistance:

Hospice of the Chesapeake

hospicechesapeake.org/volunteer

90 Ritchie Highway, Pasadena, MD 2112

Point of Contact (POC): Kris Carpenter Zylis, 410-987-2003, ext. 1328

kcarpenterzyla@hospicechesapeake.org

Hospice of the Chesapeake is seeking two types of support:

- Direct support: photographing family times at home, ceremonies to honor veterans
- Indirect support: photographing training, outreach, philanthropy, special events, etc.

There is the potential for a hospice exhibit of photos at the Chesapeake Arts Center.

Anne Arundel County Volunteer Center

<http://www.aacvc.org>

266 Riva Drive, Suite 130, Annapolis, MD 21401

POC: Lisa Spallitta, 410-897-9207, lisa@aacvc.org

AAVC request ad hoc support as they sponsor special events.

Operation Welcome Home Maryland

<http://www.operationwelcomehomemd.org/>

POC: Kathy Thorp, kcarpenterzyla@hospicechesapeake.org

Would you like to do something for our troops? Operation Welcome Home Maryland is seeking talented photographers to help in their mission of giving our troops a hero's welcome home. Many of our returning troops arrive through the international gates at BWI and often do not have anyone to greet them. Capturing their first moments and excitement on USA soil, along with tearful reunions is an essential piece of the welcome home events for them and their families who are not able to be with them. Events occur two to three times a week, and lasts approximately 2 -2.5 hours. Check out their web site (above) or [Facebook page](#). It's a great way to support our troops and capture a memory!

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Greater Chesapeake Region American Red Cross

<http://www.redcross.org/local/maryland-delaware>

POC: Cyndi Ryan, Regional Communications Director, 410-624-2082

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The Red Cross is looking for on-call photographers to support the Greater Chesapeake Region Communications Team. The mission is to improve the visibility of American Red Cross in the community and raise awareness about the good work of the organization. You'll shoot Red Cross events, disaster scenes (usually house fires), and other activities. The minimum commitment is for 24 hours a month (3 shifts in 8-hour blocks, 6 shifts in 4-hour blocks, one 24-hour block, etc.). You can choose your own shifts throughout a given month. During a shift, you may be called zero times, or you may be called three or more times, depending on the number of fires in the area during your shift, but you have to be ready to respond. You must have experience photographing people and events and own your camera (not a cell phone camera). You'll be asked to submit sample photography upon an interview with the Regional Communications Director. If selected, you'll receive one-on-one training with the Regional Communications Director. The appointment is for 6+ months.