



Softball Turf #1



Serve with purpose while experiencing the faith-filled community of MidAmerica Nazarene University. The Stewardship Partner Program invites individuals and groups to engage in meaningful volunteer service while stepping into the daily rhythms of campus life—combining hands-on projects, spiritual formation, and opportunities for personal growth.



8 + people



(1) 6hr days



**Light/
Moderate**



Fully Funded

Join us in enhancing our campus community by volunteering for the Softball Turf #1 Project! We need at least eight volunteers to help level the outdoor storage area and install new turf. The project, which requires no special skills, will take one six-hour workday and aims to preserve the condition and upkeep of outdoor softball equipment. Volunteers can also participate in optional spiritual activities, campus tours, and receive on-campus lodging if desired.

Service Enrichment

Participants are also invited into Bible study and faith conversations with MNU faculty, creating space for reflection, learning, and encouragement through the integration of faith and scholarship. Each visit can also include personalized community engagement or professional development opportunities, tailored to participants' interests, ministry goals, or vocational exploration.

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Project Details

Project Description

The installation of turf in this area will allow equipment to be stored in a secure, fenced, low-maintenance, easy-to-clean area. Using turf here will keep equipment from being stored in muddy, dirty conditions prone to weed growth and pest infestations, ensuring clean, safe, aesthetically pleasing storage areas.

Workforce Recommendations

A group of eight or more (8+) partners is needed to volunteer for this project. The project includes mild general labor. No special skills are required of volunteers, as a full-time MNU staff member will lead this project. We only ask that volunteers be willing to help, follow directions, and be open to learning new skills.

Scope of Work

The project area will be cleared of all materials and debris. After project site prep is complete, turf will be installed, staged and trimmed. When all installation is complete, project area will be cleaned and prepped for use. The anticipated length of the project is one (1) six-hour (6hr) working day.

Food and Lodging

Lodging is available for partners, if needed and is subject to availability on project dates. Partners requiring lodging will have access to on-campus, shared dorm rooms and community restrooms. Meals are currently not provided by MNU and are the responsibility of volunteers. However, the employee discount rate is available at the on-campus cafeteria at \$3.85 per meal. In addition, many local restaurants are nearby, at the partner's or group's expense.

Service Enrichment Examples

As part of your trip, we hope to offer enrichment that will help develop your team's interest in serving together. The following are examples of training that can be offered to your team.

- ✓ Cultural Sensitivity
- ✓ Basic Gospel Presentation
- ✓ Finance and Fundraising
- ✓ Cultural Engagement - Teaching Curiosity
- ✓ Missions Leadership, Structure, and Management
- ✓ Work Ethic in the Mission Field

Tentative Itinerary

DAY 1

- ✓ Short tour of campus, if desired (not included in estimated time frame)
- ✓ Introduction to work site and safety brief
- ✓ Leveling of the ground in project area
- ✓ Lunch and lecture
- ✓ Fitting and trimming of turf
- ✓ Cleaning of project area for use

Safety Brief Information

If you encounter any perceived safety hazard or risk, bring it to your team leader's attention immediately.

✓ Struck by Hazards

Workers should not be at risk of being hit by moving vehicles, equipment, or falling objects. However, you are on a very busy campus, so be vigilant as you work and commute to prevent such accidents.

✓ Electrical Hazards

No Electrical Hazards are anticipated for this project. Exposure to live wires and working near electrical power can lead to electrocution or shock. Workers must maintain caution around all possible electrical sources. During this project, electrical covers may be removed temporarily to paint around switches and outlets. Be vigilant and mindful of such areas.

✓ Ladder Hazards

Falls from ladders account for thousands of injuries annually. Ladders must be inspected for damage before and after use, used at the correct angle, and not overloaded. Metal ladders should not be used near open electrical sources. If you do not feel comfortable or secure on a ladder, do not climb it. If another person is perceived to be in danger on a ladder or at another elevated height, inform them and the job leader.

✓ Chemical and Respiratory Hazards

Proper ventilation and personal protective equipment (PPE) are required for portions of this project. In this project, standard household dust and mild smells from latex paint should be the only respiratory hazards. Use dust masks for tasks that produce respiratory hazards.

✓ Noise and Vibration Hazards

Prolonged exposure to loud noise can cause hearing loss, while vibration from tools can lead to Hand-Arm Vibration Syndrome (HAVS). Hearing protection and tool maintenance are essential. During the tile removal portion of this project, there will be high noise levels. Don appropriate PPE during this time.

✓ Fire Hazards

This project does not have any significant fire hazard possibilities. However, Fire extinguishers are accessible around the work area. In case of fire, exit the building immediately through the nearest exit.

✓ Manual Handling and Ergonomic Hazards

This project does require manual labor. Repetitive lifting, carrying, and awkward postures can lead to musculoskeletal disorders. Proper training, mechanical aids, job rotation, and daily stretching can reduce the risk of injury.

✓ Heat Stress, Hypothermia, and Environmental Hazards

·Working in extreme heat can lead to dehydration, heat exhaustion, or heat stroke. Adequate hydration, rest breaks, and shaded areas are necessary. Working in extreme cold can lead to hypothermia and frostbite. Adequate clothing and frequent breaks in warm areas are necessary.

✓ Debris Hazards

·Common job site debris will be present. Hand protection is recommended, and eye protection is required when working in the work areas.

Worksite Photos

Area Facing South

View of storage area facing southeast towards Mur-Len Road.



Area Facing East

Inner fence line between outdoor storage area and Williams Field facing east towards Mur-Len Road.



Area facing Southwest

View of outdoor storage area from east boundary facing southwest.



Area Facing East

Outer edge of outdoor storage area facing eastern boundary facing Mur-Len Road.

