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Project Management Community Day of Service FAQ'S

When: Saturday, April 25, 2026

Where: CMU Troy Campus

Time: 8:00am – 5:00pm (breakfast and lunch provided)

What is it?

The Project Management Community Day of Service is a service event where experienced project managers provide pro bono project management services to local nonprofits.

This is an extremely high-impact and meaningful way for project managers to give back to the community.

How does it work?

Each nonprofit is paired with a team of experienced project managers. The group meets a couple of times prior to the event day to discuss the project and get to know one another. On the day of the event, they work through the details to finalize the documents, and the nonprofit leaves with an actionable plan.

What types of nonprofits are eligible to participate?

PMCDoS attracts a wide variety of nonprofits from multiple sectors, including:

- Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders
- Youth Development and Agricultural
- Foreign Affairs and National Security
- Art, Culture, Education
- General and Rehabilitative, Community Health Systems
- Veterans Support
- Public & Social Benefit

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What types of nonprofit needs are addressed at PMDoS?

The nonprofits' needs that are addressed at PMDoS range from strategic to tactical, operations to administrative, and human to technical. They cover topics such as marketing/branding, volunteer recruitment, fundraising, grant writing, and event planning.

How much time does an event participant need to dedicate to the event? Is there event training?

There is no standard length for a PMDoS event. Depending on the location of the event, it may be from a few hours to a full business day. This typically includes dedicated time for networking as well as working sessions. Time for meals may also be included as appropriate.

Prior to the event, volunteers and nonprofits may be required to participate in training. Training helps project manager volunteers become familiar with the unique needs and challenges facing nonprofits, and the logistics of the PMDoS event. Training also helps nonprofit representatives to become familiar with project management concepts, and the logistics of the PMDoS event. In addition, the local event team may provide coaching to nonprofit participants for selecting and describing their project problem statements.

How are volunteers paired with nonprofits?

The local event team uses a volunteer's event registration information and LinkedIn profile (if available) to create a match with a nonprofit based on how well the volunteer's skills and interests align with the nonprofit's mission and project needs. While matches are made prior to the event, they may need to be adjusted on the day of the event based on event attendance. For that reason, match information may not be made available to participants until the day of the event or if the match information is provided in advance, it may be subject to change.

How are nonprofits prepared for the PMDoS?

The local event team will coach nonprofit participants on selecting and describing their project problem statements prior to the event. In addition, nonprofit participants may be offered training that familiarizes them with relevant project management concepts, and the logistics of the PMDoS event.

Have additional questions?

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