

# The RSVP Response

RSVP of Central Oklahoma

February 2025

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## New Opportunities & News for Volunteers

### Show off your love for OKC by helping staff the information desk at Will Rogers World Airport

Upward Transitions/Travelers Aid has an easy-to-follow, in-person training program for interested airport volunteers. You'll join a fun and knowledgeable crew of caring Okies to help send folks off and welcome them home!

### Metro Library Book Sale

It's that time of year again! Feb. 21 from 1-7pm is Member Night; Feb. 22-23 from 9am-5pm is General Shopping. Our friends at the Metro Library can use our help with this incredible sale. Volunteer opportunities start as early as Feb. 15th! Let Jamie know if you'd like to help out and she can get you connected.

### INTRODUCING **TEAM RSVP**

TEAM RSVP is a monthly volunteer opportunity where RSVP Volunteers serve together with a member of the RSVP Office and organization representatives! TEAM RSVP members learn about community issues and get critical service projects done to support RSVP Community Partners.

Whether you want to add another volunteer day to your calendar or get back into volunteering, take on a project with your team and meet some fine folks along the way!

- ★ TEAM RSVP Projects are happening!  
Skyline Garden  
Regional Food Bank Senior Pantry  
More to come!

★ Want to join TEAM RSVP?  
Contact Jamie at [jamie.williams@rsvpokc.org](mailto:jamie.williams@rsvpokc.org) or call the RSVP office at (405)605-3110



### Bonnie's Helping Hands

RSVP is grateful for the opportunity to help connect volunteers to the mission of Bonnie's Helping Hands. By delivering food to seniors and greeting walk-in clients for in person shopping, volunteers continue the legacy the organization's, namesake, Bonnie, who led the way in love and compassion in Northeast OKC. Let Jamie at RSVP know if you are interested in helping out at Bonnie's!



### RSVP Volunteers In the News

RSVP Volunteer **Larry Sherman** was recently featured in UCO's alumni magazine, *Old North*, for his distinguished career and many contributions to the university's Engineering Media Lab and Jazz Studies programs. Larry holds a Ph.D. in chemical engineering but has been an avid trumpet player with a passion for audio technology for many years. His love of music has led him to teach graduate-level recording courses at UCO, and these days, he can still be found volunteering to advance and support music education at UCO. He also spends time volunteering at the Oklahoma History Center and United Way. **Good work, Larry!**

*Have you been in the news? We'd love to share it! Email stories and articles to [andrea.post@rsvpokc.org](mailto:andrea.post@rsvpokc.org).*




To learn more, register or sign up for an event, or chat with us, leave a message by calling (405) 605-3110 or email Jamie at [Jamie.Williams@rsvpokc.org](mailto:Jamie.Williams@rsvpokc.org)!

*February is Black History Month!*

This month we honor the generations of Black Americans whose work and vision are central to our history. Learn more about Black History in Oklahoma from our friends at the Oklahoma Historical Society by visiting <https://www.okhistory.org/blackhistory>

# February 2025 RSVP Volunteer Calendar

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
						1  Report January Volunteer Hours
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<p>Watch your email this week for the Annual RSVP End of Year Volunteer Survey! This year, the survey will be available online. We're happy to send you a paper copy if that's easier. Just let us know!</p> <p>Thank you for helping lead the way in our program by completing the survey.</p>						
9	10	11	12	13 RSVP End of Year Volunteer Survey return deadline	14 Happy Valentine's Day!	15
16	17 Happy Presidents Day! RSVP Office Closed	18 Mental Health First Aid for Older Adults Training—pt.1	19	20	21	22
23	24	25 Mental Health First Aid for Older Adults Training-pt.2	26	27 TEAM RSVP with OK Regional Food Bank	28	Mar 1

Meetings & Events



**SAVE THE DATE!** The RSVP Neighborhood Connection returns this spring with some exciting changes and opportunities to volunteer at each gathering!

We'll kick things off on **Thursday, March 27th at Belle Isle Library, 11am-1pm**

## RSVP Ambassadors

**Bringing expertise to life**

Programs offered to RSVP volunteers interested in leadership opportunities that contribute to sustaining a robust culture of volunteering in Central Oklahoma

### Training opportunity offered through the RSVP Ambassador Program:

RSVP is hosting a Mental Health First Aid for Older Adults Certification Training offered by Mental Health First Aid Oklahoma! If you serve in a role that works to support older adults, you may be interested in the training. It is free and will take place on Tues., Feb. 18 and Tues., Feb. 25 9am-2pm and will be held at United Way of Central OK. In order to become certified, you must attend both sessions. Let Jamie at RSVP know if you are interested by **February 10th** by emailing her at [Jamie.Williams@rsvpokc.org](mailto:Jamie.Williams@rsvpokc.org) or by calling the RSVP Office at (405) 605-3110.

**New Logo Coming Soon!**

The RSVP Board approved a new logo for RSVP of Central Oklahoma! Look for it in the first spring newsletter of 2025.

