

In the past 18 months we have seen the social sector respond to pressing needs by pivoting how programs and services are delivered and reimagining the ways we incorporate community engagement. During this time, we have also seen an increase of passionate individuals wanting to make an impact and respond to community challenges by starting a nonprofit.

What if I told you, you don't need to start a nonprofit to make an impact?

There are over 1.5 million nonprofits registered in the United States with about 22,000 nonprofits in the state of Virginia. It's hard to give an exact number of nonprofits in the Charlottesville area, but this IRS master file of exempt organizations by state can give us an approximate number of 400 to 500 nonprofits in Charlottesville and Albemarle –and that's not including the surrounding counties!

These are local organizations on the ground doing important community-building work, usually with tight budgets and limited staff so they rely on volunteers for additional capacity. They need passionate individuals like you who are dedicated and connected to communities they serve.

So what can you do right now with your passion, your skills, and lived experiences? You can find an organization that is already working to make an impact with a cause you are passionate about and volunteer your time and talent.

A quick visit to can you help you find ways to turn your passion into action. With over 280 area nonprofits listed in the directory, ReImagineCVA is THE place to learn about community organizations in the central Virginia region and how YOU can make a difference RIGHT NOW.

Your passion could be exactly what nonprofits in our region need to expand and deepen their services to the community!