

At Big Sunday we connect people through helping. We believe that absolutely everyone has some way that they can help somebody else.

We always need all kinds of participants (of all ages), collectors and donors.

For more information, including sponsorships, contact info@bigsunday.org or 323-549-9944.

SPECIAL EVENTS 2017-2018:



Sunday, October 9, 2017, March 11, 2018, Other dates TBD All cruises are 10 am – 12:00 noon

Big Sunday's Community Cruises

Big Sunday's harbor cruises are *awesome!* We host a big group of underserved and deserving folks on a special cruise through San Pedro Harbor. Many of these nice people have never been on a **boat** before! We need volunteers to host, be friendly, hand out donuts (of course!), enjoy one another and enjoy the ride. We call it the **We're All in the Same Boat Project** and everyone has exactly one job: *To meet one new person*.

Thursday, August 10, 2017 6:30pm - 8:30pm Our 8th Annual Back-to-School Drive & Community Dinner

Help us send kids back to school in style as we sort, count and pack all kinds of requested items for kids at a bunch of different low-income schools in Los Angeles and Long Beach. The sorting will be followed by a delicious and fun community dinner. We need donors and volunteers.





Sunday, September 17, 2017 10am – 1pm **Books 'n Brunch**

Join us for our 5th annual fall book collection. By special request, we're collecting all kinds of new and gently-used books for all kinds of grateful nonprofits. Help us sort and box the books. Then, stick around as we all enjoy a delicious and friendly brunch!



Sunday, October 29, 2017 2pm – 4pm

Our 8th (!) Annual Halloween Haunted House and Party for a whole bunch of nice kids in need (and their families). As always, we'll have a costume giveaway, a portrait studio, Trunk or Treating, lots of arts & crafts, and, um, some candy, too. This event is not to be missed! (And don't forget your costume.)

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The 15th (or 16th) Annual Big Sunday Holiday List

Our longtime – and hugely popular – list of more than 250 ways that anyone can help at the holidays, from Thanksgiving through New Year's, throughout California. This list gets posted, printed, forwarded and tweeted, making the holidays



brighter both for those who want to help, and those who want to help others.



Wednesday, November 22, 2017 9am – 12pm Our 6th Annual Thanksgiving Stuffing Event!

Each year we collect and pack big bags full of Thanksgiving dinner for thousands of people, including vets; homeless families; women in domestic violence shelters; group homes; low-income families with autistic children; food pantries; schools and more. This year will be even bigger! We need people to donate food, as well as to pack everything up. And yes, everyone is invited to join together for a community breakfast, too!

Late November and throughout December Our Annual Holiday Decorating Parties!

Each year we get asked to decorate all kinds of places – vets' homes, clinics, shelters, group residences – in all kinds of ways for all the year-end holidays. Last year we sent out groups to decorate nearly 2 dozen places from L.A. to San Diego. Sometimes the residents join in. Sometimes Santa stops by, too. If you or your group wants to spread some cheer this year, let us know and we'll find a place for you.





Sunday, December 10, 2017 3pm – 5pm The 8th Annual Big Sunday Holiday Party & Sing-a-long

Each year people from all walks of life join us to eat, sing (with a live band!) and enjoy the holidays. Special guests have included low-income seniors, kids with challenges, women and children from a domestic violence shelter, vets, and others who needed a little extra TLC at the holidays. We'll collect toys, food for hungry families, and winter coats, too.

Wednesday, December 13, 2017 6:30pm – 7:30pm Sing with Seniors for Hanukkah

You don't have to be Jewish to join Big Sunday as we host a holiday sing-a-long for (and with!) seniors in Beverly Hills on the 5th night of Hanukkah. Mix 'n mingle, sing 'n schmooze, while bringing festivity 'n joy to some lively, friendly 'n fun-loving seniors.





Monday, January 15, 2018, 9am – 12pm Our 6th Annual MLK Day Clothing Drive & Community Breakfast

We'll be collecting all kinds of clothes for all kinds of disadvantaged and grateful people. Volunteers are needed to count, sort, and fold the clothes. We'll be adding to our amazing *Something in Common* photo project and we'll also all enjoy breakfast together. New and gently-used work clothes, casual clothes, and athletic wear needed. New socks and underwear are much-needed, too! All ages welcome.

Sunday, February 12, 2018, 4pm – 7pm

Our 5th Annual Valentine-Making, Bingo-Playing Community Dinner

At Big Sunday, we want to make sure no one is forgotten on Valentine's Day. So, once again, we're gathering tons of nice people to make cards and gift bags for thousands of shut-ins and people who are ailing or facing a tough time. And once again, we'll be joined by lots of nice folks who can use a lift for Valentine's Day, too. By the way, if you want to help later that week to deliver the Valentine's, we could use help then, too!



Sunday, April 8, 2018, 4:30pm – 7pm Our 4th Annual Vets' Night & Dinner!

Why wait for Veteran's Day? At Big Sunday, we love working for and with veterans. We'll be hosting vets from all over town. Together, we'll enjoy great games and entertainment. We'll also be writing letters to soldiers on active duty. Then everyone's invited for a big and memorable Big Sunday community dinner. It's a great way to show the vets how much we care.



May 1-31, 2018

A Month of Big Sundays! (aka MOBS!)



Our biggest event of the year! We think of it as a Festival of Service. There will be ways to help every single day of the month! Hundreds of Month of Big Sunday projects will be listed on our website on April 1. 2018.



Sunday, June 17, 2018, 5pm - 8pm

Our 1st Volunteer Appreciation Dance Party \$\precises\text{Stuff-for-Summer Collection!}

We'll be dancing (and barbecuing) in the streets as we say thanks to all the people (like you!) who have helped out throughout the year. We'll also be collecting all kinds of things like bathing suits, beach towels, sand toys and Frisbees to make sure that everyone has a summer of love.



Unless otherwise noted, all above events take place at Big Sunday headquarters, 6111 Melrose Avenue, just east of Highland, in Los Angeles.

All events are free – but can be sponsored at different prices!

For sponsorship info, contact david@bigsunday.org or donate here.

You can also send a check to 6111 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90038.

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To volunteer or help collect items, contact rob@bigsunday.org.

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ONGOING PROGRAMS 2017-2018:

THE END OF THE MONTH CLUB: Help fight hunger every month.

Each month, Big Sunday sponsors a food drive to meet the huge demand from our nonprofit partners. Any kind of non-perishable, unexpired food can be dropped off at the Big Sunday offices anytime. Or, any group or individual can host a collection.





MM@10 and/or TM@10: Get together to pitch in every week.

Each Monday morning and every Thursday morning, from 10am – 11:30am, we host a fun service project at our offices on Melrose. It's a great way for folks of all ages to get together to help someone else . The food's always good, and the company is always great – and we'd love to have you join us! All ages welcome. Groups, too.

OUR REALLY BIG COMMUNITY CALENDAR Looking for new organizations to help?

Check out our calendar that lists more than 100 ways – from volunteering to attending a fundraiser – every month that you can get involved with our wonderful nonprofit partners. Have something you'd like listed? Great! Contact davidmcb@bigsunday.org.





thePROBOlist

Do you have unique talents to offer?

Do you have special skills to offer to schools and nonprofits? Great! Join the lawyers, therapists, yoga instructors, singers and others on the PROBOlist! You can donate your services on a limited or ongoing basis. To volunteer, contact rob@bigsunday.org.

theBIGlist

Do you have stuff to give away?

Every week we hear from people in the Big Sunday community who have things to give away – from sofas to pianos to computers to tickets. At the same time, our nonprofit partners call us with all kinds of needs. We've set a program to match the two – no matter where you live! To list an item, please contact davidmcb@bigsunday.org.





THE BIG SUNDAY TRAVELLING ALL-STAR BAND Do you like music?

Big Sunday has always hosted all kinds of singing and music projects. Now we have a band to visit folks in hospitals. shelters, senior centers and group homes. In addition to singing for (and with!) these nice folks, the band provides paid work for musicians who need it! To get involved contact david@bigsunday.org.

SPECIAL²

Do you want to celebrate and give back at the same time?

Our popular Special² (pronounced "Special Squared") program is a great way for people celebrating special occasions – weddings, bar mitzvahs, big birthdays – to use their happy time to help the world. Sit down with our experts to explore everything from hands-on parties to mitzvah projects to repurposed centerpieces. We'll help to create a fun and gratifying project tailor-made for you.



Two ways to help others in crisis:



The Big Sunday Emergency Fund was started to help nice through a bad patch. This fund

has paid for medical bills, transportation expenses, funeral costs and more. People help via cash donations. In addition, many people – of all ages - join The Lemonade Brigade and host lemonade stands (kidfriendly or "adults only") to raise money for the fund. To hear about specific Emergency Fund requests or to host a lemonade stand (anywhere!), contact emergencyfund@bigsunday.org.





Help those anxious to help themselves.

Many people would love to work, but are having trouble finding a job. They may even be in a financial crisis, yet don't want a handout. This program helps people find temporary paid work with our many nonprofit partners -

and Big Sunday covers the cost. It's a great way for people to learn new skills, meet potential employers, pay their bills, and maintain their dignity during a difficult time. To help, contact david@bigsunday.org.



THE WE'RE ALL IN THE SAME BOAT PROJECT: Take a Ride, Make a Friend

Join a diverse group of nice folks on a special cruise through San Pedro Harbor. Passengers have come from shelters, group homes, and help centers. And they're joined by equally nice people from schools, faith groups and companies, plus individuals and families. Together, we enjoy donuts, sea lions, the California sunshine, and, of course one another. **Everyone onboard has exactly one job:** *To meet one new person*.

YOUTH IN ACTION:

Engaging and honoring socially-conscious kids.

We have a special section of our website devoted to getting youth of all ages – toddlers to teens – involved in all kinds of helping activities, wherever they may live. Our popular Youth in Action includes volunteer activities, stories about memorable young people in history, a toolkit for parents and educators, info about the Big Sunday Youth Board, and even a tip of the hat to an inspiring "Kid of the Month."





Big Sunday Corporate Days of Service

Big Sunday knows that your company is unique. You have your own special talents, interests and goals. We can plan a special day of service for any number of people, *anywhere* in the world. We've even planned concurrent multiple events for the same company in different cities. The one thing all Big Sunday corporate events have in common: they are impactful, gratifying, and fun.



Big Sunday Special Projects

Big Sunday is thrilled that we are frequently asked to help on special projects. These have included all kinds of things for all kinds of causes in all kinds of places. We don't know when or where these opportunities will turn up. We post this info on our web page and social media, and via e-mails. If you'd like to be added to our list of *especially* good Samaritans who might be able to help in a pinch, or funseekers who want to know of the next event, let us know!



We're all in it together.







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