For Bus Transportation:

*Visit www.ridegrtc.com, or call 804-358-GRTC for the most current routes.

*For a Student Transit Pass for GRTC, go to the VCU Parking and Transportation Office at 1108 W. Broad Street. Present your student id card and Student Transit Pass when boarding.

*All GRTC buses are fitted with bike racks.

For suggestions on many more community service options related to hunger, homelessness or any other area of interest, e-mail Beth Ward at bhward@vcu.edu, call 828-3648, or visit the Student Organization Development Office in Room 018 in the University Student Commons.
Central Virginia Foodbank
Warehouse assistants sort, pack, discard, and organize products in the warehouse. Special events helpers are those with a few hours or more to help with drives and other events throughout the year. Food delivery drivers and riders deliver meals to various after-school programs in the Richmond Metro area. Community Kitchen Assistants help with meal prep and packaging.
Contact www.cvfb.org, 1415 Rhoadmiller Street, 804-521-2100
Bus The #22 Hermitage travels Brook Road, and the #24 Crestwood/Westwood travels the Boulevard in front of the Diamond.

The VCU Student Food Pantry
Helps provide nutritious food to your fellow Rams through a program run by students and for students. Help is needed with food drives, doing comparison shopping, marketing, sorting and stocking food, and much more. For information on helping one time or do be a part of the student organization operating the pantry visit www.vcufoodpantry.com. Any student in need with a VCU ID is served discreetly. The VCU student Food Pantry is located at the Center at VCU at 819 S. Cathedral Place. Check the website for hours of operation.
*To see some of the many feeding initiatives in Richmond and to offer your services, visit www.homwardva.org, click on “get help” and then the “street sheet”.
*Help at a community garden and help people obtain fresh produce. Visit www.tricyclegardens.org or check out the garden at Larrick Student Center sponsored by Green Unity for VCU and the SGA at both campuses.
Contact: http://green-unity.blogspot.com/p/vcu-community-garden.html

Richmond Metropolitan Habitat for Humanity
Habitat’s vision is “To break the cycle of poverty by providing affordable homes to people in the Greater Richmond area.”
Construction site volunteers do not need skills or tools. On line volunteer registration and orientation are required but quick and simple.
Habitat ReStore volunteers help stock and sell donations that provide profits for building homes.
Contact www.richmondhabitat.org. The store is at 1901 Roane Street, e-mail, info@richmondhabitat.org, 804-232-7001
Bus Check Habitat’s web site for the locations of current building sites, and research potential nearby bus stops.

Henrico County’s Operation Paintbrush
Neighboring Henrico County keeps the elderly, low income, and the disabled in their home. Volunteers do painting, yard work, and minor home repairs in neighboring Henrico County.
Contact www.co.henrico.va.us/maint, Department of Community Revitalization, 804-501-4757.

Project Homes
Project Homes also keeps people in their homes by using their “Renew Crew” volunteers to do yard work, painting, minor home repairs, and to build wheelchair ramps. To be on The Renew Crew, you must attend a bi-monthly evening volunteer orientation session held at their office at 88 Carnation Street.
Contact www.elderhomes.org, Wayne Swatkowski, 233-2827, ext 237, or swathowskiw@elderhomes.org

Virginia Supportive Housing
VSH owns and manages properties for previously homeless individuals with a success rate of 90%.
Volunteers are needed for administrative, and agency support, and client-centered volunteers lead, teach, and participate, while others are needed for marketing, public relations, maintenance and beautification.
Contact Alison Jones-Nassar, 804-788-6825, 1010 North Thompson Street, Suite 200, www.virginiasupportiveshousing.org

Homeward
Project Homeless Connect Each November 500 volunteers help the homeless during a 1 day initiative where the homeless are connected with up to 40 service providers at Richmond’s Convention Center.
Annual Point-in-Time Counts Sheltered and unsheltered individuals in our region who are experiencing homelessness are counted in January and July. Volunteers conduct surveys and participate in outreach teams.