# Some Volunteer Projects for Genealogists

*This is a great way to contribute to the genealogical community, and learn along the way.  With all projects, to prevent rework and proofing time, familiarize yourself thoroughly with all the instructions and follow them.*

**FamilySearch** is always in need of indexing assistance.  There are some interesting projects where you might learn some history, about some types of records, or enhance your transcribing skills on early documents.  https://www.familysearch.org/indexing/my-indexing  Show Me How, then take the tour.

**FamilySearch** *Tree* could use a lot of documents, etc. attached to people in the tree.

**Find-A-Grave** offers some great time alone in a beautiful cemetery.  Download the app and go to work, or use a camera and post the photos later.  Do your own ancestors and family members.  Or just make memorials without photos, which can be uploaded later. Post your ancestor' portraits. https://www.findagrave.com/ Click Register.

**Billion Graves**, although much smaller, is similar to *Find-A-Grave.* They have <a href="https://blog.billiongraves.com/12-ways-to-volunteer-during-the-coronavirus-pandemic/?utm_source=billiongraves&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=bg_blog20_Apr14">12 ideas of volunteer activities.</a>  One is to place a whiteboard or paper on an unmarked grave and take a photo.  It will be marked with GPS so it is locatable.

**DeadFred**  is a collection of photos of ancestors that can be searched.  Try uploading your ancestors' pics. https://deadfred.com/

**National Archives and Record Administration Citizen Archivist** project involves transcribing, tagging, and/or adding comments to digitized documents.  https://catalog.archives.gov/registration

*A***ncestry's World Indexing Project** is indexing many records from around the world. The indexes produced are free to all, but not the images.  Actively index for a discount on your *Ancestry* subscription. https://www.familytreemaker.com/AWAP/ to download the app.

**African American Civil War Soldiers** – transcribing documents. https://www.zooniverse.org/projects/usct/african-american-civil-war-soldiers

**Crowd Sourced Indexing** is a web site that seems to specialize in Jewish records, and New York City records from "Reclaim the Records."  https://csindexing.com/

**US GenWeb** has many opportunities.  Contact the webmaster/host of your favorite county and offer to help transcribe or index something of use for the site.  http://usgenweb.org/

**ConferenceKeeper** has many other volunteer opportunities to choose from. https://conferencekeeper.org/volunteer/

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