Technology

Various technological tools can make organizing, recruiting, and retaining volunteers easier. Tools that help keep track of volunteer hours are also available and can help with applying for grant funding and completing reports. Often, one tool can do several of these tasks.

Here is a list of ideas for different technological tools that will help with volunteer management.

Recruitment	•Facebook, Twitter, and other social media •Blogs •Emailed newsletters •Yahoo groups and other listserves •LinkedIn and other recruitment tools •www.idealist .org or www.volunteermatch.org
Management	•Google Doc •Cloud-sharing capabilities
Recognition	•Facebook, Twitter, and other social media •Emailed newsletters
Data-tracking	•Volunteer hour tracking systems (http://www.volsoft.com; www.volunteerspot.com; and www.yourvolunteers.com are examples) •Apps created to help manage volunteers (www.volunteerspot.com has one available)
Volunteer Training	•Webinars (live/recorded/archived) •Self-directed learning •E-learning •Online screening tools (CitizenshipWorks)