Mission
The King County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) sponsored by Solid Ground meets critical community needs by helping people 55 and older find volunteer opportunities in their communities that match their interests, talents, and skills.

History
RSVP first started when private groups and government agencies came together to create opportunities for engagement, activity, acquaintanceship, and growth for older Americans.

1965 Community Service Society of New York launched an RSVP pilot project on Staten Island involving a small group of volunteers dedicated to serving their communities in various ways.

1969 RSVP became a nationwide program through the Older Americans Act.

1972 Seattle RSVP was established under United Way of King County administration.

1973 East King County RSVP launched under City of Bellevue sponsorship.

1974 Seattle RSVP and East King County RSVP merged to form King County RSVP, sponsored by the Seattle/King County chapter of the American Red Cross.

1993 The Corporation for National and Community Service was created to administer all national service programs.

1994 Fremont Public Association became King County RSVP’s new sponsoring agency.

2007 Fremont Public Association changed its name to Solid Ground.

2017 RSVP volunteers shifted focus to meeting critical needs by increasing food security, K-12 success, and keeping seniors independent in their homes.

2020 The Corporation for National and Community Service changed its name to AmeriCorps, and Senior Corps became AmeriCorps Seniors.

2021 Solid Ground became the new King County sponsor of the Statewide Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) program. RSVP and SHIBA teamed up to provide free, unbiased Medicare counseling.

2022 RSVP volunteers added a focus area to improve access to healthcare.

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