

**Cargill Cares Alumni  
Volunteer Support – Twin Cities  
Organizational Profile**

**ORGANIZATION:** Bridging

**MISSION:**

For 30 years, Bridging has effectively reused donated items to improve lives by providing quality furniture and household goods to those transitioning out of homelessness and poverty. Bridging serves over 14,000 people in need every year, including 7,000 youth and children. By accepting quality, gently used items, Bridging diverts 200,000 pounds of inventory from the landfill each week.



**LOCATIONS:** 201 W. 87<sup>th</sup> Street, Bloomington, MN 55420  
1730 Terrace Drive, Roseville, MN 55113

**CCA VOLUNTEER ACTIVITY:**

Prepare donated items for use by needy families - Workers sort and put silverware, dishes and bedding sets together, assemble dresser kits, clean furniture before client pickup, load and unload trucks, etc. and whatever needs to be done. If anyone has work restrictions - such as standing, lifting, etc. - alternatives are available.

CCA groups are scheduled for the fourth Tuesday of each month from 12:30 – 3:30 p.m. at each site.

**ANNUAL CCA ESTIMATED VOLUNTEER HOURS:**

Groups of 3 to 5 work at each site monthly. For the fiscal year 2016-2017, CCA volunteers contributed 362 hours to Bridging. Cargill volunteers have supported Bridging since 2005.

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What a typical family might receive->  
The clients come from 150 agencies, which help them plan what they will have. Once approved, the clients “shop” at Bridging. In 2016, 4,474 families received household goods from the Roseville and Bloomington warehouses.

