

Civics Community Service Opportunities

Read through the list below and choose an organization that you would like to volunteer for. Make contact with that organization and set up the day(s) and time(s) you will volunteer. It is your responsibility to do this. You must volunteer for a minimum of 5 hours with preferably 1 organization.

For this project, community service must be in the spirit of helping the community and/or those who are less fortunate than us.

******Please note the contact information for the organizations listed below is subject to change. If so you should check the organization's website ******

Greenwich Boys & Girls Club: 4 Horseneck Lane, Greenwich

Contact: Melissa Hawkins: 203-869-3224 Ext. 111

Help is needed Monday through Friday from 2:30 to 5:30 pm. Students can volunteer to be homework aides, athletic aides and craft instructors. Interested volunteers can help with score keeping and/or coaching from 6pm to 8:30 pm.

Greenwich YWCA: 259 East Putnam Ave, Greenwich

Contact: Arthur Smith: 203-869-6501 Ext. 251

Volunteer assistant teachers are needed for our after-school program. Activities include arts and crafts, recreation games, cooking, and homework supervision. This opportunity would be working with a group of children ages 5 to 12. Monday through Friday 3-6 pm.

Kids in Crisis: One Salem Street, Cos Cob

Contact: Kristen Tomasiewicz: 622-6556

Email: ktomasiewicz@kidsin crisis.org

Kids in Crisis provides free, round-the-clock help for Fairfield County, Connecticut children, teens and parents dealing with abuse, neglect, family conflict and more. The Kids in Crisis Youth Corps is a group of high school volunteers from throughout Fairfield County, who are dedicated to furthering the Agency's mission. Youth Corps members plan activities for our youngest residents (newborn – age 13); volunteer for special events; organize fundraisers, clothing, food and toy drives; raise awareness about Kids in Crisis, and much more! Please visit our website at

www.kidsin crisis.org.

Bruce Museum: 1 Museum Drive, Greenwich

Contact: Mary Ann Lendenmann: 203-413-6746

If you like the beach become a naturalist at Bruce Museum's Seaside Center at Greenwich Point. Learn and teach visitors about our coastal environment as well as the animals and plants found in Long Island Sound. Assist the

Summer Naturalist with educational programs and activities. Training is provided. The Center is open during the summer months of July and August.

Commitment is one 3 to 4 hour shift per week. Become a Museum Ambassador. Help staff the information desk on weekends and holidays. You can provide a warm and welcome atmosphere, greeting visitors, answering questions and providing information on museum exhibits and membership. You are welcome to work on your lap tops while at the desk, as long as visitors have priority. Call for times.

The Salvation Army: 198 Selleck Street, Stamford

Contact: Walter Droz: 203-359-2320

Email: Walter.Droz@use.salvationarmy.org

Volunteers are needed for holiday sorting and packaging of foods. Volunteers are also needed for "ringing the bells," and helping in their holiday "toy shop."

Abilis: 50 Glenville Street, Greenwich

Contact: Paul Jourdan: 203-531-1880 Ext. 152

Email: jourdan@abilis.us

Abilis (formerly ARC Greenwich) provides assistance to children and adults who are intellectually challenged, which enables them to participate in community recreational activities and special events. They encourage all children to participate in after-school activities such as swimming, dance, ice skating, and many other programs. Volunteers are needed to provide one-on-one support to the children and adults. With your help, a larger number of participants can get involved in the programs.

Greenwich Hospital: 5 Perryridge Road, Greenwich

Contact 203-863-3222

Volunteers are needed to help escort patients, deliver flowers and to help at the reception desk, in the pharmacy, etc. Volunteers must be at least 14 years old. There is also some Administrative Assistance volunteering available as well as hospitality and retail opportunities. If you love to knit, then be apart of the "Healing Shawls" committee.

Jewish Family Services of Greenwich: One Holly Hill Lane, Greenwich

Contact: Rachelle Owen: 203-622-1881

Help a senior in your community doing simple chores around their home, helping with yard work, snow shoveling, leaf raking, & some grocery shopping.

Meals on Wheels: 89 Maple Avenue, Greenwich

Contact: Deborah Warfield: 203-869-1312

Volunteers needed to help in kitchen placing food in containers and packing it up for drivers.

Hours are 8:00 am until about 9:30 or 10 am Monday—Friday.

Nathaniel Witherell: 70 Parsonage Rd, Greenwich

Contact: Sally Van Leeuwen: 203-618-4228

Email: sallyvanl@live.com

Teens are welcome to volunteer assisting people in the recreation department, escorting residents to and from the auditorium and helping with program delivery. Volunteers may spend time one-on-one with residents, reading or playing games or sharing ones musical talents or visiting with your pets. Help in the gift shop is also needed.

Neighbor-to-Neighbor: 248 East Putnam Ave, Greenwich

Contact: Cathy Lynch: 203-622-5946 | Email: clynch@n-to-n.org

Clothing Room-Volunteers in the Clothing Room greet donors and clients. They sort, organize and merchandise the donated clothing prior to helping our clients make their selections. Food

Pantry- Volunteers in the Food Pantry greet clients and provide them with the shopping guidelines to help the clients through our grocery store type setting. Volunteers sort and organize the donated and purchased food items and stock the shelves for our clients to make their selections. The volunteers check-out the clients and bag their groceries. Pick-Ups- Volunteers are needed to help pick up donated items from our local retailers. There are also weekly shopping excursions to Poricelli's Food Mart and the Food Bank of Lower Fairfield Country, when assistance is needed to select and transport food. Food and Clothing Drives- Many individuals, local organizations and religious congregations conduct food drives as one-time events and on-going programs. There are volunteer opportunities to help organize, conduct and work during the numerous food and clothing drives Youth Volunteer Program- This newly initiated program offers the opportunity for young volunteers to work with clients, staff and adult volunteers in the Clothing Room and the Food Pantry. Time slots- We are flexible on the hours we request, but try to entice our daily volunteers to work a shift during our operating hours Monday-Saturday from 8:30am – 12:30pm.

Training- We conduct a brief training session to show you to the basic tasks in the Clothing Room and Food Pantry. Most of your knowledge about Neighbor's operation will be obtained as you experience your volunteer

Rummage Room: 191 Sound Beach Avenue, Old Greenwich

Contact: Maria Drieghe: 203-637-1875

Volunteers are the lifeline of The Rummage Room. Offer us four hours of your time weekly and we'll provide you with fellowship and the rewarding feeling that you are helping to make a difference. We can be flexible on days, times and amounts of time.

Shop hours are Monday - Friday 10am to 5pm and Saturday 10am to 1pm.

Greenwich Green and Clean: 113 Pemberwick Road, Greenwich

Contact: Mary Hull: 203-531-0006

Help make Greenwich beautiful and environmentally sound. Volunteers are needed to help with landscaping on public property. Opportunities to help with office work as well.

Greenwich United Way: 1 Lafayette Court, Greenwich

Contact: 203--869-2221

Email: info@unitedway-greenwich.com

Help is needed during the United Way campaign from late September through May with mailings, filing, and general clerical duties. Help is also needed for support with on-going youth community service projects and fundraisers from September—July with Junior United Way.