



Winter/Spring 2008 Community Service Resource Packet

How to use this guide...

1. Read each volunteer opportunity carefully.
2. Decide if you would like to learn more about volunteering at any of the organizations in this packet. Keep in mind your interests, schedule, and location of the organization.
3. Call the contact person who is listed if you would like to learn more about volunteering at a specific organization.
4. Complete the application and training requirements for the site.
5. Start volunteering! Remember to log your hours!

Any questions?

Call Annie at 636 549-1286 or email her at anniep@wymancer.org

Where's Jenny?

All fall, you probably heard Jenny's name with the community service announcements and opportunities. In fact, Jenny was the one who made this resource packet- thanks, Jenny!

Jenny was an intern** with TLP in the fall- she is a student at St. Louis University, and she has returned to school for the spring. We miss her, but we thank her for all she did for the program!

** What's an intern?

An intern is someone who spends several months at an organization as a project for a class or academic program. Internships can be paid or unpaid. Fields such as teaching, social work, business, journalism, and others use internships to help students learn what it is like to work in a certain area!

Community Service Opportunities (Winter 2007/Spring 2008)

Catholic Charities-Southside (Spanish speakers needed!)

Courtney Prentis

5880 Christy Blvd.

St. Louis, MO 63105

314.773.6100 x101

Email: cprentis@slsc.org

Details: Teen volunteers may help with playground clean-up as well as other site-specific projects. Qualified students may volunteer with the school-age programs, particularly in tutoring.

Requirements: All teen volunteers have to complete an application with references, an interview, and a site orientation.

Saint Louis Science Center

Lady Gywana F. Jackson

5050 Oakland Ave.

St. Louis, MO. 63110

314.289.4434

Email: gjackson@slsc.org

Details: Teens will facilitate demonstrations at activity tables in the Science Center. They can also serve as teaching assistants in the camp programs. In addition, they also obtain a deeper understanding of science topics during inquiry-based science workshops, and learn valuable communication strategies through professional development opportunities.

Requirements: Complete an application with references. Complete five professional development training workshops (these count towards service hours). Once certified, the teens may choose from a variety of volunteer opportunities.

Barnes-Jewish St. Peters Hospital

Travis Lee, Volunteer Coordinator

10 Hospital Dr

St. Peters, MO 63376

Email: rtl6384@bjc.org

Details: The junior volunteer program is from age 15 to 18. BJH offers over 28 positions in Health Care related areas such as clerical, greeters, and food service. There are openings for evening and weekend positions. (Emergency Department, Medical Surgical Floor and Transitional Living Center).

Requirements: Teen has to be at least 15 years of age. Complete application with references, interview, and orientation. Immunization records also need to be provided as well as a TB test.

University Missouri-St. Louis

Elizabeth Pawloski- Volunteer services coordinator

265 General Services Building
One University Blvd
St. Louis, MO 63121-4400
314.516.4106
Email: pawloskie@umsl.edu

Details: Teens can work in areas such as *Campus Beautification, Child Development, Customer Service, and Special Events*. Call Elizabeth for more details about these areas.

Requirements: After completing an application, students will go through an interview and orientation.

Rainbow Ranch

Debi Baker
P. O. Box 209
Morse Mill, MO 63066
636.274.3385
Email: rainbowranch@earthlink.net

Details: Teens can participate in clean-up for animals, barn work, landscaping, etc. Debi has opportunities year-round, and new help is always welcome!

Requirements: Call Debi for details

Ranken Jordan

Mary Walsh
11365 Dorsett Road Maryland Heights
St. Louis, MO 63043
314.872.6525
Email: mary.walsh@rankenjordan.org

*Ranken Jordan is a specialty hospital that helps youth (2-18 years) who suffer from serious injuries or diseases.

Details: Volunteer opportunities available in clerical work or direct work with patients in several clinical areas (Ie: nursery, therapy sessions).

Requirements: Volunteers have to be at least **16 years of age**, and commit to at least 2 hours each week. Volunteers should attend an orientation and fill out an application.

St. Louis ARC

Lindsey Harris
1816 Lackland Hill Parkway, Ste 200
St. Louis, MO 63146
636.274.3385
Email: lharris@slarc.org

*ARC is a non-profit organization that provides support services for adults with developmental disabilities.

Details: There is no age limit for most volunteering experiences at ARC. Volunteers can become basketball assistants, bowling volunteers, book club facilitators, and even work in administrative departments. These opportunities can change monthly, so contact Lindsey for current opportunities!

Requirements: Interview, application, orientation, and brief training. Weeknights and weekends are available.

Circle of Concern

Emily Fishman or Linda Johnson
112 St. Louis Avenue
Valley Park, MO 63088
636.861.2623
Email: Emily.circle@att.net

*Circle of Concern is a food pantry that provides necessities to families in the Valley Park/Fenton area.

Details: Youth volunteers will sort, package, stock, and bag food in the food pantry.

Requirements: At least 13 years of age (exceptions can be made)

Operation Food Search

Amy Graham
6282 Olive Blvd
St. Louis, MO 63130
314.726.5355 x 14

Details: Volunteers can be office assistance, warehouse volunteers, or work in food distribution. Availability is weeknights and Saturdays.

Requirements: Brief interview

Butterfly House

Contact: Jessica Deering
15193 Olive Blvd
Chesterfield, MO 63017
636.530.0076 x12
Jessica.deering@mobot.org

Details: Volunteers can help in horticulture, guest services, play partners, animal show, and special events. Minimum age of 14 years and only weekends available.

Requirements: Interview, application, orientation, some training

Missouri Botanical Garden

Contact: Jackie Juras
4344 Shaw Blvd.
St. Louis, MO
jackie.juras@mobot.org
314-577-5187

Details: Students will participate in the SAGE Service Program from April through October, and will be required to complete 50 hours of service (including training hours). Volunteer shifts will be scheduled on weekends from April through May, daily during the summer months and again on weekends in September through October. Participants will work in the Children's Garden with interpretive stations and the drop-in programs. Interpretation may include: the edible garden, pond explorations, wetland wildlife, general store, what's so neat about trees, Arbor Day exhibit.

Please note: The Botanical Garden will be flexible with your summer camp schedule! There are many shifts that can be filled so you will be able to make up those hours.

Requirements: Interview, application, and training (provided). Minimum age is 14 years old.

Humane Society of Missouri

Lauren Connors
1201 Macklind Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63110
www.hsmo.org

Details: Teens can be ranch assistants, do clerical work, or help coordinate special events. Other opportunities are available as well.

Requirements: Teens have to be at least 16 years of age. Some evenings and weekends available.

Guardian Angel Settlement

Nichole Schneider
2635 Gravois Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63118
314.773.9027

Details: Teens can create care packages for the homeless, paint rooms in childcare centers, organize canned foods, wash vans, and much more!

Requirements: There is no age requirement but the agency's hours are 8:30-4:30. Therefore, most school-aged youth volunteer during the summer. An interview is required.

Crisis Food Center, Inc.

David Blackburn
21 E. 6th Street
Alton, IL 62002
618.462.8201

Details: This volunteer opportunity requires heavy lifting. The teen has to be able to lift 30-40 pounds. Please keep this in mind before you call.

Requirements: Evening hours during the week are available.

Open Door Animal Shelter

Beth Miller
6065 Duda Road
High Ridge, MO 63049
636.671.3643
www.odas.org

Details: This is an amazing opportunity to work on-one-on with animals! Teens will work directly with dogs and cats at the shelter. Tasks include, grooming, bathing, cleaning pens/kitty litter boxes, walking dogs, and socializing with the animals.

Requirements: Teens have to be at least 13 years of age. Those who are 13-15 have to be accompanied by their parent or guardian at all times. Those who are 16 years old and above can remain unsupervised. There is a brief orientation to the animals, but no application or interview is required. Weekend hours are available.

Grace Hill

Archilla Buford
314 584-6957
Various locations in St. Louis city

Details: Grace Hill offers opportunities to work with children in Head Start programs, help with paperwork in the administration office, and participate in other activities depending on volunteer interests.

Requirements: Volunteers must be at least 14 years old and complete the volunteer application.

More Ideas... Things that can be done in any community by any aged teen!

Help the school secretary, librarian, or a teacher with a special project at school!

Help with childcare, decorations, or other jobs at church!

Organize a food drive, clothing drive, or book drive at school, church, or in your neighborhood, and donate the items you collect to a nonprofit organization like a food pantry, Goodwill, or a homeless shelter. All the time that you spend organizing, making signs, and collecting items is community service!

(Ask the organization's representative to sign your log sheet when you drop off the items!)

Organize a neighborhood recycling drive! Collect aluminum cans, glass bottles or jars, and paper from neighbors and take them to a recycling center! All the time that you spend organizing, making signs, and collecting items is community service!

(Ask the center's representative to sign your log sheet when you drop off the items!)