Community Service Volunteer Opportunities

<u>Community Foundation of the Fox River Valley -</u> looking for HS students interested in a leadership role for 2022-2023 school year. Students will meet monthly during the school year and learn about philanthropy from community causes, fundraising, service projects, grantmaking and more. Dinner & snacks will be provided. To apply for one of the positions please click on this link <u>Youth Engagement in Philanthropy - CFFRV</u>.

Feed My Starving Children – Volunteers will help prepare & hand pack nutritious meals for hungry children around the world. To volunteer go to <u>fmsc.org</u>.

<u>Fox Valley Special Recreation Association</u> - Volunteers are needed to assist the program leader with a variety of duties during general program and special events. To get more information go to <u>fvsra.org/volunteer</u>.

<u>Fox Valley United Way</u> - Volunteers are needed for a variety of organizations and needs. To sign up to volunteer you will first need to set up an account at <u>volunteerfoxvalley.org</u> then view all the opportunities available.

<u>Kendall County Food Pantry & KCCFP Oswego Satellite Location</u> - Volunteers are needed at both locations to help with sorting, checking expiration dates, set-up, registration, runners, traffic control and cleanup crew. For more information, go to <u>Kendall County Food Pantry - Yorkville</u> or <u>Kendall County Community Food Pantry - Oswego</u>. To sign up to volunteer in Oswego <u>Click here.</u>

<u>Kendall County Historical Society</u> – Volunteers are needed to help with various projects throughout the school year. To volunteer please call or text Johanna Byram at 630-363-8462.

<u>Loaves and Fishes Community Services</u> – Volunteers are needed to help at their food pantry in Naperville & Aurora with sorting food, checking expiration dates, putting orders together, etc... To sign up to volunteer go to https://www.loaves-fishes.org/about/.

<u>Marie's Food Pantry</u> - Volunteers are needed at both locations (East & West) to help with sorting & stocking shelves, checking expiration dates, set up/clean up etc... For more information, call 630-897-5431 ext. 1 or go to <u>volunteer@mwfoodpantry.org</u>.

My Daughter's Dress – Volunteers are needed to help with Homecoming, Prom & other special events throughout the school year. To volunteer please contact Mary Garcia at mydaughtersdress@gmail.com.

Northern Illinois Food Bank – Volunteers are needed to assist in the warehouse. Volunteers will repack, sort, box, check expiration dates and label food/nonfood items. For more information, contact Jennifer Orlando at 630-443-6910 or volunteer@northernilfoodbank.org.

<u>Oswegoland Park District</u> - Volunteers are needed to help with the Pantry Garden program or other various projects and programs/events. For more information go to <u>Oswegolandparkdistrict.org/get-involved/volunteer</u>.

Oswegoland Park District - Prairie Fest June 15th – June 18th – Lots of volunteers are needed to help with parking, ground clean up, gate greeting, table cleaning, help work the parade or race, etc... (2-3 hour shifts) To volunteer please click on this link https://www.prairiefest.com/volunteer/.

<u>Oswego/Aurora Public Libraries</u> - Volunteers can join their Teen Advisory Board to work on projects & share ideas, or become a Title Tale Teller and create a presentation about some of your favorite books, etc... For volunteer information go to their website <u>oswego.library/volunteer-opportunities</u>. For Aurora Public Libraries, Eola Branch go to their website <u>aurorapubliclibrary/teen-advisory-board</u> or call 630-264-4117.

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Ready Set Ride in Plainfield - Volunteers needed to be part of a Special Needs rider team. They provide therapy to special needs students as they ride horses. They need volunteers to help be side walkers, leaders & help with the horses. To volunteer, please contact Lisa at lisa.afshari@gmail.com or call 630-464-4400.

<u>Rescued Rascals</u> - They save unwanted, abandoned, abused, and neglected dogs by placing them into loving forever homes. They are a foster based dog rescue non-for-profit agency. For volunteer opportunities please contact <u>RescuedRascalsIL@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Simply Destinee Youth Center</u> – Volunteers are needed to help with various peer groups, leadership, youth mentorship and various events throughout the year. They empower youth through music and other arts. To get more information go to www.SimplyDestinee.com or send an email to simplydestinee1@gmail.com

<u>Tutoring Students</u> - Check with local Elementary or Jr High schools to see if they need volunteers to help tutor students.

<u>Volunteer at Churches</u> - Check with local churches to see if they need any student volunteers. Churches are always looking for volunteers to help with a variety of activities or events.

<u>Cards for Seniors</u> - Check with local senior centers to see if they would like greeting cards for their residents or if they have other volunteer opportunities.

<u>Cards for Patients</u> - Check with local hospitals to see if they would like greeting cards for their patients or if they have other volunteer opportunities.

Community Service is NOT a graduation requirement. However, it is recommended each student complete at least 25 hours of service. Those students who complete 150* hours or more of service during high school will earn an honor cord to be worn at graduation.