High School Student Volunteer Opportunities

Due to COVID-19, locations and hours are subject to change.

DIY Volunteer Service During COVID

Having trouble finding community service?

You can create your own volunteer service by yourself or with a group of peers by hosting a food drive, delivering meals, donating to a shelter, hospital or clinic.

- Get your DIY volunteer service work plan approved.
- Log your volunteer hours on the Bright Futures work log form.
- Include a separate letter documenting the service you created, the adult that supervised the volunteer service with you and/or your peer group, the dates that you hosted this volunteer service, and the organization you donated to, and the supervisor of the organization including their full name, email address, and phone number.
- When you submit your hours, you need to also submit a double-spaced personal response essay giving a reflection on your learning experience with your volunteer service. The essay should be a minimum of one paragraph.

Tohopekaliga Athletic Department

The fall athletic schedules have been posted in your College & Career Teams page. Please be courteous and let Mr. Flores know when you will be volunteering at a home game.

Your Church

Ask your pastor or ministries director for volunteer service options in the following areas: technology/audio visual service, assisting with cleaning and yard help, and food pantry assistance.

Volunteer Match

www.voluteermatch.org

Find the best volunteer opportunities in the Orlando area. You can get matched with people who are passionate about and committed to your cause, and who can help when and where you need them.

Teens United

https://www.teensunited.org

Teens United is a mission to build a national network of teen volunteers to provide contactless, safe, and FREE home delivery of groceries, medicine, and other essential items to eligible citizens while keeping them safe at home.

Saint Cloud Community Pantry

Contact: 407-348-2370

The St. Cloud Pantry has available volunteer opportunities to assist with stocking and

special events.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

<u>https://www.feedhopenow.org/site/SPageServer/?pagename=ways_involved_volunteer</u> Volunteer opportunities in Brevard and Volusia Counties.

You can become Virtual Volunteer by starting your own Virtual Food Drive

Contact: Betsy Dye, Digital Fundraising and Media Manager

Phone: 407-514-1010

Email: bdye@feedhopenow.org

A Gift for Teaching/Education Foundation

Contact: 407-348-2370

A Gift for Teaching is open after school and two Saturday's a month. Youth Volunteers may work at the store helping to stock shelves or assist teachers in making selections.

Bishop Grady Villas

Contact: 321-332-5211

Bishop Grady Villas is a home for adult individuals with learning disorders who cannot live independently on their own. Youth volunteers may do outside cleaning or yard work and inside cleaning in common areas or in the kitchen. They may also do interaction activities with the adult residents such as reading books or playing games.

City of Kissimmee Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities Department

<u>www.kissimmeeparks.org</u> Contact: 407-518-2360 or 407-518-2501

The City's Parks, Recreation & Public Facilities department coordinates volunteer opportunities that include special events such as Fall Festival, Haunted House, Festival of Lights Parade, Sunshine Regional Chili Cookoff and the Easter Eggstravaganza. There is also a Volunteer In the Parks (V.I.P.) program where community members may join our staff and do various projects once every 4 months. Other opportunities are also available to volunteer and the Department is always willing to develop volunteer opportunities for large groups. Please browse the website for a list of opportunities in the City.

Community Vision

www.communityvision.org Contact: 407-933-0870

Community Vision is an agency in Osceola County that coordinates many volunteer opportunities, including activities for youth. Please browse their website for a list of current activities that may be found in Osceola County.

Habitat for Humanity of Osceola

www.habitatosceola.org Contact: 407-343-1900

Habitat for Humanity builds home for qualifying, needy families. Youth volunteer may do jobsite cleanup, clean windows, or swing a hammer. Age limit qualifications may limit some youth opportunities.

Healing Touch Therapeutic Riding Center

www.healingtouchrc.org Contact: 407-405-7850

Email: healingtouchtherapeutic@yahoo.com 3090 Comanche Road, Saint Cloud, FL 34772 Healing Touch's vision is to assist every child and/or adult that can benefit from this remarkable therapy in a professional and safe equine environment. Volunteers are accepted beginning at age 14; volunteer application must be completed.

Help Now of Osceola, Inc.

www.helpnowshelter.org Contact: 407-847-3260

1000 W. Emmett Street, Kissimmee, FL 34741

The agency provides a temporary safe shelter for survivors of domestic abuse.

To volunteer, a Volunteer Application must be completed:

<u>https://www.helpnowshelter.org/become-a-volunteer</u>. You may contact evelynhj@helpnowshelter.org.

Junior Achievement/Osceola Bowl-A-Thon

www.orlando.ja.org Contact: 407-847-2518

Junior Achievement has a Bowl-A-Thon once year to raise funds for the programs they bring into schools. Youth groups may participate by forming a team and collecting money donations. Please view their website for dates of the next Bowl-A-Thon.

Kissimmee Main Street

Contact: 407-846-4643

Kissimmee Main Street sponsors many activities in the downtown Kissimmee area throughout the year. They frequently need help with setting up and taking down. This may include tables and chairs, a stage, equipment or displays.

LGBT+ Center Orlando

Email: info@thecenterorlando.org Contact: 407-228-8272

946 N. Mills Avenue, Orlando, FL 32803

Osceola Council on Aging

www.osceolagenerations.org Contact: 407-846-8632

The Council on Aging offers a day site for senior citizens to gather. They have a Meals on Wheels programs which offers a meal for a senior citizen who may not be able to get out of their house and they have a pet care program where senior citizens may leave their pet for the day while they are away from home. Youth volunteers may offer help in a variety of areas at the Council on Aging.

Osceola County Historical Society Pioneer Village and Museum

www.osceolahistory.org Contact: 407-396-8644

4155 W. Vine Street, Kissimmee

The Osceola County Historical Society Pioneer Village and Museum strive to preserve the county's rich history. They are looking for volunteers for year-round special events and for general, daily duties also. They need Greeters, Tour Guides, Clerical Assistants, Archivists, Librarians, Historical Researchers, Writers, Technician, Photographers, Gardeners, Grounds Maintenance, and Summer Camp Helpers.

Osceola County Museum of Military History

Contact: 407-460-6293

The Museum of Military History frequently needs youth volunteers to clean, categorize and inventory military memorabilia. The museum may also be able to assist youth groups who would like to do a home project a needy veteran. Projects may include a yard cleanup, planting, painting, or minor home repairs.

Poinciana Recreation Center

Contact: 863-427-0900

The Poinciana Recreation Center frequently needs high school students to assist with youth and adult basketball games, movie nights, and other community events.

Relay for Life

www.relayforlife.org

Relay for Life is an annual event that benefits cancer patients. Youth groups or youth individuals can participate in an all-night long walk-a-thon to raise money through contributions and donations for the American Cancer Society. See their website for dates of the next Relay for Life event in your area.

SPCA of Central Florida

Contact: 407-248-1756

The SPCA is a no-kill animal shelter. They accept healthy pets and find them new, loving homes. Youth volunteers may participate in various presentations by the SCPA promoting pet awareness, may volunteer at the kennel and may adopt a new pet, with parent permission, of course!

St. Cloud Chamber of Commerce

www.stcloudflchamber.com Contact: 407-892-3671

The St. Cloud Chamber of Commerce hosts many activities throughout the year. They may need youth volunteer to help set up and take down chairs and tables at various events or help with manning booths/tables at these events.

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St. Cloud Little League

http://www.eteamz.com/saintcloudll/ Contact: Debbie Henderson 407-908-5835 The St. Cloud Little League has both Fall and Spring Softball and Baseball and all-stars and tournaments are held during the summer so that means practices are held almost year-round. Youth volunteer opportunities may include assisting a team during games and at practices for their entire season, doing park or ballfield cleanup or working in the concession stand.

St. Cloud Main Street

http://stcloudmainstreet.org Contact: Paula Stark 407-498-0008

St. Cloud Main Street sponsors many activities in the downtown St. Cloud area throughout the year. They frequently need help with setting up and taking down. This may include tables and chairs, a stage, equipment or displays.

Local Hospitals

Hospitals and clinics may be limited or may not be offering community service to high school students due to COVID-19.

AdventHealth Kissimmee

Representative: Ashley Gomez Contact: 407-609-3965 or 407-303-6938

Email: Ashley.gomez@adventhealth.com

2450 N. Orange Blossom Trail, Kissimmee, FL 34744

*Volunteer Requirements, including a 100-hour requirement.

Osceola Regional Hospital

Representative: Elizabeth Galarza Contact: 407-518-3907

Email: <u>Elizabeth.galarza@hcahealthcare.com</u> 700 West Oak Street, Kissimmee, FL 34741

Poinciana Medical Center

Representative: Matt Ayers Contact: 407-530-2013

Email: Matt.Ayers@healthcare.com

325 Cypress Parkway, Kissimmee, FL 34759

Dr. Phillips Hospital

Representative: Nicole Farrell Contact: 321-842-8868

Email: <u>nicole.farrell@orlandohealth.com</u> 9400 Turkey Lake Road, Orlando, Fl 32819