

Community Service Volunteering



This list is NOT an endorsement in any way by the Alsip-Merrionette Park Public Library District. Parents and legal guardians need to establish clear volunteer responsibilities and expectations for their children, as well as safety and security guidelines.

Friends of the Forest Preserves

Cutting and pulling brush and working in the Forest Preserves to remove invasive species. Locations include Dan Ryan Woods or Forest Preserves further west as well. High school students may volunteer alone, younger than high school age requires parent working with the child.

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<http://www.fotfp.org/getinvolved/volunteer/>

Alsip Park District

Volunteer Opportunities when available.

For additional information, please contact

The Alsip Park District Main Office at (708) 389-1003.

Ask for Denise M., ext. 327

<http://www.alsipparks.org/About-Us/volunteer.htm>

Share your Soles

Volunteer warehouse work available

Children under 16 years of age MUST be accompanied by a parent. A parent must work with the child.

900 E. 103rd St., Chicago, IL 60628

(708) 448-4469

<http://shareyoursoles.org/volunteer/>

Alsip Police Department

Help file papers or other office tasks as needed. Ages 12-18.

Contact Officer Merlo/Youth Liaison/Crime Prevention Unit

708-385-6902 ext. 249

Animal Welfare League

Applications available for volunteers ages 15+ available on website or at the Animal Welfare.

10305 Southwest Highway, Chicago Ridge, Il 60415

708-636-8586

<http://www.animalwelfareleague.com/programs/volunteers.asp>

Chicago Public Library

Youth ages 12 to 18 can volunteer during the Summer Reading Program. Inquire about opportunities at a Chicago Public Library branch. Juniors and seniors in high school can provide weekly homework help during the school year. Follow the directions on the website to apply for this opportunity.

Nearby branches include:

Mt. Greenwood, 11010 S. Kedzie Avenue, Chicago, IL 60655, (312) 747-2805

Beverly, 1962 W. 95th Street, Chicago, IL 60643, (312) 747-9673

Summer Reading volunteering:

http://www.cplfoundation.org/site/PageServer?pagename=support_getinvolved_volunteer

Homework Help volunteering:

<http://www.chipublib.org/howto/volunteer.php>

Forest Preserve District of Cook County

Volunteers

From a clean up to a habitat enhancement you can volunteer for a one-day event or short term project. You can plan your own event or ask about upcoming volunteer opportunities in the forest preserves. We can provide clean up supplies and tools for most projects.

Volunteer Resources Office 773-631-1790

<http://fpdcc.com/volunteer/>

Little Red Schoolhouse Nature Center

They only accept high school students.

9800 Willow Springs Road, Willow Springs, IL

708-839-6897

Apply through <http://fpdcc.com/volunteer/>

Camp Sagawau

12545 West 11th Street, Lemont, IL / 630-257-2045

<http://fpdcc.com/volunteer/>

Sand Ridge Nature Center

Register online to see specific youth volunteer opportunities. The Nature Center is only open until 4, so volunteer hours for children and teens in school would only be available on the weekend.

15890 Paxton Avenue, South Holland, IL

708-868-0606

<http://fpdcc.com/volunteer/>

The Children's Museum in Oak Lawn

The museum accepts floor volunteers ages 13 and over. Before you can start, you must attend an orientation session, which are held at 4:30 on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month. Youth under the age of 13 can coordinate a collection or penny drive.

5100 Museum Drive, Oak Lawn, IL 708-423-6709

<http://www.cmoaklawn.org/volunteer.html>