

Community Service - Learning Organizations and Opportunities Tiverton Schools 2012-2013



Hospitals and Medical

Generally volunteering in a hospital or nursing home are approved activities. Assisting in private doctor or dental offices will not count for community service.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO REPRESENT YOUR SCHOOL WELL AND FOLLOW ALL RULES AND EXPECTATIONS OF THE AGENCY OR ORGANIZATION

STUDENTS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO TURN IN THEIR OWN DOCUMENTATION

(It is also recommended that students keep copies of what they have done for their own records)

Charlton Memorial Hospital

363 Highland Avenue, Fall River, MA

(508) 679-7038

Contact: volunteer coordinator at the hospital

Jennifer Donovan

Website: www.southcoast.org/services/charlton.htm

- Some positions require students be 14 or older

Newport Hospital

11 Friendship Street

Newport, RI

(401) 845-1635

Contact: Lisa Coble

E-mail: lcoble@lifespan.org

- Apply in March or April for summer positions

St. Anne's Hospital

795 Middle Street

Fall River, MA 02721-1798

Contact: Volunteer Services Diane Palmer

(508) 674-5600 x2080

Hospital Volunteer

The Hospital Volunteer will provide support to the hospital staff and assistance to the patients, as appropriate. Duties will include such activities as passing out food and water

to patients, distributing magazines and delivering flowers, providing clerical support, and working on the nursing floor or in a clinic environment. Must be 14 years of age, proof of immunization and TB Vaccination, and attend an orientation.

- Contact in May to inquire about summer positions

The Rhode Island Veterans Home

480 Metacom Avenue
Bristol, Rhode Island 02809
(401)253-8000 Ext. 695

The mission of the home is to provide quality nursing and residential care to those Rhode Island war veterans in need. Social, medical, nursing and rehabilitative services are also provided to veterans and their survivors and/or dependents to improve their physical, emotional and economic well-being.

- **Drives are ALWAYS welcome:** DVD's, stamps, T-shirts, personal care items

Animals

Students interested in volunteering with animals are encouraged to try the following animal shelters. Assisting at a private barn, farm, kennel, or veterinary hospital will not count as community service. Volunteering at an approved therapeutic riding center may be used for community service. Activities or events organized for the benefit of a non-profit may count. **Please get prior approval for community service to assure it qualifies.**

West Place Animal Sanctuary Tiverton, RI

Duties for anyone interested could include: Grooming, Feeding, Cleaning Stalls, Paddock and Fence upkeep, painting, Helping to market the organization, Gathering of eggs or other food we sell to help support the organization, Website upkeep (for any computer savvy kids that might like that) Learning about handling of sick or injured animals and other tasks duties associated with animal/farm care.



Contact: Wendy Taylor, West Place Animal Sanctuary

www.westplace.org

Faxon Animal Rescue League

474 Durfee Street

Fall River, MA 02720

Contact: Renee Dumont

(508) 676-1061

website: www.faxonarl.org or: www.arlfr.org

Animal Socializer

The Faxon Animal Rescue League is a self-supported organization that takes in stray cats and owner surrendered dogs, and prepares them for adoption. The Animal Socializer will, under supervision, provide direct care to animals. Giving them exercise and attention will help to keep the animals healthy and maintain their comfort with humans.

- **Must be 18 to work with dogs**
- **Under 16 you must attend with parent or guardian**

Forever Paws

300 LynWood Street

Fall River Mass (Fall River/Tiverton line on Fish Road)

Contact: Joyce Pinsonnault (Volunteer Coordinator)

Joyce @ Forever Paws: (508) 679-3036

Kennel Worker/Cleaner

Forever Paws mission is to place valued animals in loving homes. Kennel workers assist Forever Paws in the daily care of the animals at the shelter. Forever Paws staff provides an orientation/training for new volunteers.

Potter League

87 Oliphant Lane

Middletown, RI 02842

Phone: (401)846-8276

Fax: (401)846-0681

Middletown, RI

Email: joyceb@potterleague.org

Website: www.potterleague.org

To become a volunteer you must first complete the volunteer application. Then come to one of our monthly orientations. After which, you will need to attend a "one-on-one" training session with our volunteer coordinator, Joyce Barton. To get the process started download the application, then return it to us and we can sign you up for the next orientation. **If you are under the age of 15 you must have an adult accompany you at the shelter** so please have the adult fill out a volunteer form. (Forms are available on the Potter League website). No animal handling is included for community service.



Children and Mentoring

Mentoring, tutoring, assisting with after school programming are all valuable community service activities. **Please keep in mind that babysitting or volunteering in a daycare center do not count for community service. Any non-profit club, school, camp or organization DOES count for community service.**

Tiverton Tiger Cubs @ Tiverton Middle School

10 Quintal Drive

Tiverton, RI 02878

See Mrs. Kauffmann in the Community Service Office to inquire

Child Care Worker

The "Tiger Cubs" After School Program is a program offering after school care for elementary students. (grades 1-2, 3-4 or 5-6) Volunteers assist with various activities.

Tiverton Middle School - After School Programs

Occasionally After school programs are held at Tiverton Middle School (including chess club, art and drama classes, newspaper and yearbook club). Sometimes high school volunteers are needed to assist instructors with those activities. Check with Mrs. Kauffmann for availability or contact the teacher/staff person directly.

Little Compton After School Club/ LC Community Center

29 Meeting House Road

Little Compton, RI 02837

Contact: Karen Ferreira or Sally Huntington at 401-635-2000 for the Community Center (401) 635-2400

After School Assistant

The After School Assistant will work with elementary age children in a community program. Emphasis will be on playing with children, directing them in arts and crafts, and helping the program facilitators.

Hours: 3:00-5:30 (available Monday-Friday) Call for info about days/hours needed.

Fort Barton Elementary School

99 Lawton Ave, Tiverton, RI

Contact: Principal Suzette Wordell

(401) 624-6114

Classroom Helper

Assist children in their classrooms at the end of their school day, listen to children read one on one, assist with learning games on the computer and other duties, tasks as requested by teachers and staff.



Libraries

Essex Library

238 Highland Avenue, Tiverton, RI 02878
(401) 625-6796

Brownell Library

The Commons
Little Compton RI 02837
Contact: Beth Golembeske

Union Public Library (Open Tues. and Saturday)

3832 Main Road
Tiverton, RI 02878
(401) 625-6799

People with Disabilities

Circle of Friends

Little Compton Community Center

29 Meeting House Road, Little Compton, RI 02837
(401) 635-2625
Website: www.lccenter.com

Circle of Friends is a social group for mentally and physically challenged teens and adults, and their families, friends and caregivers. Everyone is welcome to attend monthly gatherings, which include an activity and a meal. The program assistant will help the Community Center Program Director serve a meal and clean up.

James L. Maher Center

120 Hillside Avenue
Newport, RI
Contact: Kathy McCauley Recreation Director
Phone: (401) 846-4600
Email: kathym@mahercenter.org
Website: www.mahercenter.org

Mentor a special education student at Tiverton High School

See Mrs. Kauffmann or Mrs. Branco for more information



Poverty-Homeless and Hunger

Good Neighbors Soup Kitchen

378 Hope Street

Bristol RI 02801

(401)254-0726

Contact: Arthur Donnelly

Soup Kitchen Volunteer

Housed in the parish house of St. Michael's Episcopal Church, the Bristol Good Neighbors Soup Kitchen and Pantry provides lunch daily Monday through Friday. The program relies on private donations, as well as support from local merchants who donate food and other supplies. The program also includes a food pantry, which allows those in need to stock up and take food home. Special meals are offered around holidays, providing patrons with a community celebration. Partnerships with local elementary schools allow students to offer entertainment or companionship to patrons. Volunteers are needed Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. to prepare meals or organize the food pantry. Good Summer Opportunity!

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Fall River

Steve Ozug @ BCC

habitat6@verizon.net

160 Rock St.

Fall River, MA 02720

(508) 675-0838

Construction Assistant

Habitat for Humanity is a joint venture program in which low-income families can purchase a home that they have helped to build. Each homeowner is required to invest at least 500 hours of "sweat equity" into the construction of their home, and/or homes for others. This increases the dignity and pride of ownership among family members, fosters the development of positive relationships, and also reduces the cost of the home.

Volunteers are needed to ensure that the costs of construction are kept to a minimum. Every home is completed at no profit to Habitat for Humanity, whose sole purpose is to make shelter available to as many families as possible.

Note: This opportunity is only available occasionally!

CrossRoads RI

160 Broad Street,
Providence, RI 02903
Phone (401) 521-2255 ext. 308
Website: www.crossroadsri.org
Contact Jade Alves ext. 325

Crossroads is the largest homeless services organization in the state. We provide assistance 24-hours a day, seven days a week, for a broad spectrum of Rhode Islanders. Crossroads is always in need of people willing to volunteer their time.

Many religious institutions also offer a variety of community service opportunities

McCauley House

622 Elmwood Ave
P.O. Box 27009
Providence, RI 02907
Phone: (401)941-9013 ext 302
Website: www.mcauleyri.org

McAuley Ministries is an independent non-profit organization sponsored by the Sisters of Mercy and rooted in the ideals of their founder, Catherine McAuley. Our ministry provides the basic needs of food clothing, shelter, health services, emotional support and guidance to the most vulnerable in our community.



Senior Citizens

Volunteering to help our community's senior citizens has more benefits than you can imagine!

Remember- Please always check before doing any community service that is NOT for an approved non-profit organization

Tiverton Senior Center

207 Canonicus Street Tiverton, RI
Contact: Janice Gomes
(401) 625-6790

- School vacation and summer opportunities available~ Please call first to make an appointment

Sakonnet Bay Manor

1215 Main Rd

Tiverton, RI 02878

Tel: 401-624-1880

See Mrs. Kauffmann for approval and more information

**Local Nursing Homes, Hospice, and Supported Living Housing
are all possibilities as well.**



The Environment

**Consider helping to keep your school, playgrounds, beaches
and community clean and green! Create or participate in
projects where you assist and learn something new!**

SAVE THE BAY

100 Save The Bay Dr.

Providence, RI 02905

Contact: Stephany Hessler

shessler@savebay.org*Phone:* 401-272-3540, ext. 130*Website:* www.savebay.org

Who saves the Bay? People like you! Save The Bay volunteers cover all ages and backgrounds, but the one thing they share is a passion for Narragansett Bay. Volunteer Applications are available online or call for more information. There are many different activities and opportunities available.

Tiverton Land Trust**PO Box 167****Tiverton, RI 02878****(401) 625-1300****Website:** www.TivertonLandTrust.org

The Tiverton Land Trust is a private nonprofit charitable organization dedicated to preserving the rural character and scenic beauty of Tiverton, RI for generations to come. Various opportunities for community service - learning are available.

Enjoy a fun-filled and educational day at “**A Country Day at Pardon Gray**” each September by volunteering to work at and/or plan this community event sponsored by The Tiverton Land Trust. See Mrs. Kauffmann for more details!

Town Government Boards and Commissionshttp://www.tiverton.ri.gov/government/recycling_committee.html

Tiverton Recycling Committee

Recycling efforts in school, at home and in your neighborhood benefit everyone!

Please contact: Steven Rys at recycling@tivertonri.gov For more information, please use Quick links: recyclingintiverton.blogspot.com



[Rhode Island Resource Recovery](#)

Norman Bird Sanctuary

583 Third Beach Road
Middletown, RI 02840
Phone (401) 846-2577
Website: www.normanbirdsanctuary.org

Tiverton Conservation Commission- Litter Control

Contact: Mrs. Revier 624-2810.
Group meets on the 1st Monday of each month September through May from 6:30 to 7:30 at the Tiverton Town Hall. Volunteers can participate in planning litter control projects, elementary school litter poster contests, adopt a spot, and plan ways to get local businesses to be more cooperative in Tiverton's litter control efforts.
For more information or if you are interested in volunteering please call: Mrs. Vicki Revier during the day (508) 678-2811 ext. 3206 (leave a voice mail) or after 4 pm call 624-2810.



Tiverton Open Space Commission

Inquiries may be directed to Garry Plunkett (624-2549) or Ginger Lacy (624-3762).

Some opportunities may include being outdoors and helping other volunteers with trail maintenance work at Fort Barton or in Weetamoo Woods.

Tiverton Litter Committee

Opportunities for students interested in "Adopting A Spot" to care for and keep litter-free. Additionally, opportunities for students wishing to participate in regular meetings or work on projects aimed at keeping Tiverton clean and green.

Contact Vicki Revier at 624-2810 (after 3:30 PM) for more information.

The International Coastal Clean-Up is held in September each year.

Students wishing to sign-up for a few hours on a Saturday morning to help clean up Tiverton's coastal areas and assist with a litter survey, can contact Diane Sunderland 624-8207.

Tiverton Garden Club welcomes volunteers to assist with the town-wide **April Clean-Up Week**. Students can organize a group, select an area of the town to concentrate on, and put a few hours into removing all the litter they find. Students interested in assisting with advertising or other coordination tasks can get involved in that way also. Contact Gayle Lawrence 624-7830.

DANCE~ DRAW ~ CREATE~

Consider assisting a local arts program or organization

The Arts



ARTS ~THEATER~DRAMA

Please check with the art teachers in the Tiverton school district to find out how you can assist with school and community projects. Help support the arts in Tiverton!

Also please contact:

Gloria Christ
Theater/Drama/Arts Advocacy
Actor. Director. Arts Advocate.
www.gloriacrist.com
401-749-1203

Tiverton Four Corners Art and Education Center

3852 Main Road

Tiverton, RI 02878

Contact:

Email: info@FourCornersArts.org

(401) 624-2600

Website: <http://www.tivertonfourcorners.com>

Opportunities vary

Athletics

For those of you who love sports! Think about being a young child and all of the coaches,

referees, concession stand workers, etc. who made it possible for you to play the sport that you love- here's a great opportunity to give back...Ask your coaches and parents with children involved in any sport how you can help!!! Also :

Please check the town of Tiverton Recreation link for information and contacts



Tiverton Junior Basketball

176 Church Street
Contact Joe Perry, 624-3370



Tiverton Little League

email: TivertonLL@cox.net



Tiverton Youth Soccer

P.O. Box 434
Tiverton , RI . 02878
Phone 401-835 7017
contact@tivertyouthsoccer.org



Sakonnet Schooners

**Many opportunities exist to coach, referee, keep score, attend concession stands, etc.
Video taping games is may also be an option.**

Church/Religious Organizations and Activities

Local churches and religious organizations often provide opportunities- such as alter serving, child care, religious education, building maintenance, music, in addition to many different community service projects and activities. Contact the individual church or religious institution for more info.!

Police and Fire

Opportunities only occasionally available

Tiverton Fire Department

Main Road
Tiverton, Rhode Island 02878
401-625-6707 Fax 401-625-6753



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Tiverton Police Department

20 Industrial Way, Tiverton, RI 02878
(401) 625-6716

Portsmouth Young Explorers (Career Awareness Opportunity)

2270 East Main Road
Portsmouth, Rhode Island 02871-4021
Contact: Sgt. Steve Hoetzel
Phone(401) 683-0112

The Portsmouth, Rhode Island Police Explorer program is a joint effort between the Portsmouth Police Department and the Boy Scouts of America. The program is designed to give males and females between the ages of 14 and 20 the opportunity to explore law enforcement as a possible career choice. At any time during the year a person in this age group may attend a weekly meeting to see what actually goes on at each meeting before becoming a member. There may be a wait until applications are accepted due to scheduling complications. The Portsmouth Police Explorers meet on Thursday every week. The explorers also assist the police department by providing young men and women for local events, such as parades and town functions. This program is designed to give its members a taste of actual law enforcement work before they even have to decide if they would like to pursue this field.

History/Preservation

Tiverton Historical Society
Chase-Cory House at Tiverton Four Corners.
Contact: Jeff Cobb at 624-2144
Email jcobb51@hotmail.com



Volunteers needed in the following areas:

Tour guides
Archival Organization
Painting
Light Carpentry
General Maintenance
Setting up Exhibits

Blithewold Gardens and Mansion

101 Bristol Ferry Road
Bristol, RI

Contact: Donna Grabert, Volunteer coordinator
401 253-2707 ext. 18

Email: dgrabert@blithewold.org

Website: www.blithewold.org

Blithewold Gardens seeks to preserve New England's finest garden estate through excellence in horticulture and historic preservation, and by our example to teach and inspire others.

Little Compton Historical Society

548 West Main Road (Route 77)

Little Compton, RI 02837

Telephone: (401) 635-4035

Contact: Marjory O'Toole

Email: lchistory@yahoo.com

Website: www.littlecompton.org



A variety of opportunities are available during the year. Excellent opportunities are available for history lovers interested in learning about archiving, preserving historical documents, assisting at special events, etc

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Drives

Occasional drives are held over the course of the year.

Food Drive:

November- Three food items = 1 hour of community service; for a maximum of 3 hours, food is donated to the local food bank. PLEASE NOTE: Food drives can be organized by any student, any time of the year!



Holiday Gift Drives: November/December-donations of children's toys (new only please) are accepted for up to 6 hours of community service. This program is run in conjunction with Toys for Tots and all toys are distributed to needy families within Tiverton.



Some Additional Annual Events:

Sing Out for Hunger- September each year hosted at Evelyn's Restaurant
Country Day at Pardon Gray- September each year (see Mrs. Kauffmann)
College Fair- October each year- sign up in THS Guidance Dpt.
Election Day-November-election helpers are often needed
Relay for Life Many staff, students and teachers organize teams
Becca's Closet (See Mrs. Winston in Guidance)

AGENCIES AND ORGANIZATIONS ADDED 2012:

See Mrs. Kauffmann for more information or to add an agency, organization or project!

- Special Olympics/Young Athletes (See Mr. Landoch or Mrs. Kauffmann) or contact Young Athletes of Tiverton special.families@yahoo.com
- The Herren Project www.theherrenproject.org
- The Tiverton Prevention Coalition www.tivertonprevention.org
- The Children's Museum of Greater Fall River www.cmgfr.org
- East Bay Community Action Programs (EBCAP)

ADDITIONAL ORGANIZATIONS TO CONSIDER:

- March of Dimes
- American Red Cross
- Soup kitchens, animal shelters, homeless shelters, local, national and international non-profit (501 c-3) organizations that help those in need

PLEASE CONTACT:

Sheila Kauffmann

**Community Service - Learning Coordinator at Tiverton High School
for more information or to add your non-profit organization.**

skauffmann@tivertonschools.org

401-624-8494 ext. 245

THANK YOU!