
Service Shout Out October 2018



Hello, YCS Community!

We hope you are able to check out some of the great service opportunities happening this month.

As always, please let us know if you have any questions or comments by emailing us at volunteers@youthcommunityservice.org

-YCS Team

Featured Opportunity

Annual YCS MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY

Date: October 27th, 9:00 am- 1:30 pm

Address: DLA Piper Law Firm, 2000 University Ave, Palo Alto,

Description: Join YCS for another fun-filled day of service! We will convene at DLA Piper Law Firm and head out to local organizations for service. Please check our website for more information in the coming weeks.

Ages: All are welcome. Students under 11 must be accompanied by and adult.

Contact: <http://youthcommunityservice.org/make-a-difference-day-2017/>

Animals

Peninsula Humane Society & SPCA: Animal Service Club

Date & Time: Ongoing, last Monday of the month, 6:30-8:00 pm

Address: 1450 Rollins Road, Burlingame

Description: A service club for high school students hosted at PHS/SPCA. This is a student-led club based on empowering youth to be animal advocates and creatively discover new ways to confront animal-welfare issues. RSVP to Kylynn if interested in attending.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 9-12 graders

Contact: Kylynn Pelkey, Kpelkey@phs-sPCA.org

Arts & Culture

Palo Alto Art Center: Art Center Teen Leadership

Date & Time: 2018-19 Academic School year, meeting twice a month from 4:30 to 5:30 pm

Address: 1313 Newell Road, Palo Alto

Description: Teen Artists – Art Center Teen Leadership Needs You! Looking for an art-focused leadership opportunity this school year? We are looking for high school-aged teens to join Art Center Teem (ACT) Leadership. ACT Leadership assists in producing programming that connects teenagers to art and artists. Help us plan our next teen-only event, make and exhibit art with professional artists, learn about art careers, gain leadership skills, make friends from different schools, and earn service hours along the way. ACT Leadership is a yearlong commitment that meets twice a month.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: High School

Contact: Grace Pegan Abusharkh, Director of Volunteer Engagement, for more information call (650) 617-3520 or apply at grace.abusharkh@cityofpaloalto.org

Community

San Francisco & Peninsula Crop Hunger Walk

Date & Time: October 7, 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Address: Nealon Park, 800 Middle Avenue, Menlo Park

Description: 9:00am - 12:00pm - Set up tables, balloon arch. 12:00pm - 3:00pm - Work registration tables, t-shirt tables, assist with running games. 1:30pm - 4:00pm - Assist water stations on trail, hand-out flyers on trail, recycle containers and throw away trash on trail. 3:00pm - 5:00pm - Clean -up

Waiver: No

Ages: 14 and up

Contact: Mary Beth Train, mbt3305@yahoo.com

Oshman Family JCC: Act Fully Fellowship

Date & Time: October 7, 10:00 am

Address: 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto

Description: Participate in an array of diverse community service offerings mixed with social team building, fun activities and leadership opportunities.

Waiver: No

Ages: 12-18 years old

Contact: rvasilkos@paloaltojcc.org

Fairmeadow Elementary School: Walk-a-thon

Date & Time: October 14 11:00 am – 3:00 pm

Address: 500 E. Meadow Drive, Palo Alto

Description: Volunteers are needed for registration, face painting, lap counting, and helping with concessions (lemonade stand, popcorn booth, fruit prep).

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 11-18 years old

Contact: Tiffany Aubin, tmaubin@gmail.com, 650-943-3814

Kara's Walk n' Run to Remember

Date & Time: October 20, 8:00 am-1: 30 pm

Address: Mitchell Park, 600 East Meadow Drive, Palo Alto

Description: Walk n' Run to Remember is a day of inspiration, remembrance, and fun! We can use volunteer helpers for morning set-up starting at 8 am, takedown and clean up from 12:30 to 1:30. Volunteers can also be placed along the walk/run routes to direct and cheer on participants. Another option is helping children enjoy the games and activities that will be set up at the festival. For more information about the event on please visit:

<https://kara-grief.org/events/2018-walknrun-to-remember/>

Waiver: No

Ages: 12-18

Contact: walknrun2018@kara-grief.org

Friends of the Palo Alto Library (FOPAL): Volunteer!

Date & Time: Book Sorting: Mon. – Sat. 2:00 to 4:00 pm,
Book Sale: 2nd Weekend of each month

Address: 4000 Middlefield Rd., FOPAL Portable by tennis courts

Description: Weekly: sorting books, greeting & thanking donors. Book Sale: Cashier, tabulator, floor person, line monitor, set-up & breakdown help. Ongoing: Section manager, sorting, pricing and culling a specific book section. Book researcher/ lister for online sales/e-commerce.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 15 and up

Contact: To volunteer go to <https://www.fopal.org/volunteer>, click "interested" OR email: volunteer@fopal.org

Palo Alto Family YMCA: Parent Night

Date & Time: 10/5 & 10/19, 6:00-9:00 pm

Address: 3412 Ross Road, Palo Alto

Description: Volunteers can support Program leads with activities and engagement with our youth during our bi-monthly Parents Night Out Event.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 12 and older

Contact: ebony.beshears@ymcasv.org

Palo Alto Family YMCA: Halloween Festival

Date & Time: 10/28, 5:00-7:00 pm.

Address: 3412 Ross Road, Palo Alto

Description: Volunteers will support in leading fun Halloween activities for our families. In addition, there will be "trick o treating" within the facility where volunteers can pass out candy.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 12 and older

Contact: ebony.beshears@ymcasv.org

Education

Boys and Girls Club: After-School Tutoring

Date & Time: Available between 3:30 to 6:00 pm, Monday - Thursday

Address: 2086 Clarke Avenue, East Palo Alto

(additional locations in Menlo Park and Redwood City)

Description: BGCP is seeking after-school tutors to support our K-12th grade programs for at least 1 hour a week for a minimum commitment of 10 weeks to start. Locations available are in East Palo Alto, Redwood City, and Menlo Park. Roles include subject tutoring or supporting with homework as an Academic Block Tutor. Volunteers support BGCP instructors in classrooms after school. Attend a one-time orientation to learn more about our opportunities for involvement, and submit your location/schedule preferences.

Waiver: No

Ages: 14 and up

Contact: Jenny Saba, jsaba@bgcp.org

Buddies4Math: Tutor Recruitment

Date & Time: Ongoing, Fridays 4:00-6:00pm

Address: Mountain View-Whisman District Elementary Schools

Description: Buddies4math is an award winning program staffed by students, come join us to teach elementary students Math through games and play. Volunteer hours count towards community service.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 11-18

Contact: Noah Tesfaye, volunteers4buddies4math@gmail.com

Stanford Hass Center:**Buena Vista Homework Club Tutoring**

Date & Time: Ongoing, Mondays & Wednesdays 4:00-5:30 pm

Address: Buena Vista Mobile Home Community in Barron Bark

Description: The Homework Club is a place of support, care, happiness, and academic and personal growth for children PreK to 6th grade. Access the volunteer registration form online at <https://goo.gl/forms/SgXrMPTHQk8qttd52>.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 14 and older

Contact: Deborah Farrington, Deborah.bv.hmwk.club@gmail.com

DreamCatchers: High School Tutor Volunteers

Date & Time: Ongoing, Wednesdays 4-6 pm, Wednesday 6-8 pm, or Thursday 6-8pm. Starting the week of September 24th.

Address: Paly Science Building

Description: Volunteers will work one-on-one with a middle school student in need to help complete homework and improve study/organization skills.

Ages: High School Students (9th – 12th)

Contact: If you are interested in volunteering please contact our Program Manager Micaela Flores at micaela@dreamcatcheryouth.org. For more information visit our website: dreamcatcheryouth.org

Project READ Redwood City: Volunteer Tutor

Date & Time: Ongoing, Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 3:30 to 7:30 pm (at least one hour per week)

Address: 1044 Middlefield Rd., Redwood City

Description: Each Project READ volunteer will be matched with a young child in grades 1-5 working on reading, writing, and homework. Before you can start tutoring, you will need to attend our teen tutor training scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 11th, Tuesday, October 30th, and Tuesday, November 27th at 4:30 pm at Project READ at the Redwood City Public Library.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 7th – 12th grade students

Contact: Cassandra Levy clevy@redwoodcity.org

Reading Partners Silicon Valley: 1-1 Literacy Tutor

Date & Time: Ongoing, Between 8:30 am and 5:00 pm

Address: Silicon Valley Schools: Mountain View, Sunnyvale, San Jose, Milpitas, and Redwood City.

Description: We need you to be a mentor and help close the literacy achievement gap! Reading Partners is in need of volunteer tutors who can commit at least 1 hour a week to help a student in need. Their program runs in 14 schools throughout Silicon Valley. As a volunteer tutor, you'll work 1:1 with an elementary school student who needs additional support reading. Visit our website to sign-up, or reach out to volunteersv@readingpartners.org to learn how you can help children in your community become lifelong readers. 1-1 tutoring with a student who is reading below grade level. We ask for a one-hour commitment for at least one school semester.

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 14 and up

Contact: Sign up here: <https://siliconvalley19.my-trs.com/> and we will reach out with more information and next steps. Email: volunteersv@readingpartners.org

Environment

Oshman Family JCC: Building Garden Planter Boxes

Date & Time: October 7, 1:00-5:00pm

Address: 3921 Fabian Way, Palo Alto, CA

Description: Be the start of a great thing and help build a Giving Garden at the OFJCC.

Waiver: Yes.

Ages: 13-18

Contact: rvasilakos@paloaltojcc.org

Grassroots Ecology: Volunteer at Arastradero Preserve

Date & Time: Ongoing, Saturdays Sept. 8th, Sept. 22nd, Oct. 13th, Oct. 27th, Nov. 10th, Dec. 8th

9:00 am – 12:00 pm

Address: 1530 Arastradero Rd. Palo Alto

Description: Support ongoing efforts to increase wildlife habitat at Arastradero Preserve by planting native plants, removing invasive plants, creating habitat structures, and more. Prior online registration is required. We will meet at the buildings next to the parking lot. Please be aware that if the event is full, we will NOT be accepting any email request to join.

Waiver: Yes.

Contact: Please visit <https://tinyurl.com/GrE-AP> to sign up and reserve your spot!

Grassroots Ecology: Volunteer at Foothills Park

Date & Time: Ongoing, 2nd and 4th Sunday every month;

9:00 am to 12:00 pm

Address: Route to Foothills Park Interpretive Center, but once in the park, follow the signs with the Grassroots Ecology logos to find where we are working that day.

Description: Join us for a morning outdoors. Enjoy hands-on activities such as weeding, planting, and creating habitat structures that will enrich our environment and leave you with a smile! Prior online registration is necessary; please visit <https://tinyurl.com/GrE-FHP> to sign-up.

Waiver: Yes. Waiver must be approved during online registration by parent/guardian for all volunteers under the age of 18.

Contact: Prior online registration is necessary; please visit <https://tinyurl.com/GrE-FHP> to sign-up.

Human Services

Loaves & Fishes Family Kitchen: Meal Serving

Date & Time: Ongoing

Address: Multiple Locations

Description: As a volunteer, you will be asked to prep fruits and vegetables, serve hot meals, pour beverages, wash dishes, and tidy-up the facilities. To sign up for a job, please visit <http://loavesfishes.org/volunteer>.

Waiver: Yes.

Ages: 14 and older, under 14 must be accompanied by an adult.

Contact: Hyru Gau, hyru@lovesfishes.org

Ecumenical Hunger Program: Volunteers Needed

Date & Time: Ongoing

Address: 2411 Pulgas Avenue, East Palo Alto

Description: Volunteer help is needed in EHP food pantry to sort, stack, prepare and distribute emergency food boxes to families in need. Help is also needed in the Community Closet to sort, organize and maintain gently used clothing and household goods. Other help: data entry, special projects, etc.

Waiver: Yes.

Ages: 12 and older.

Contact: Charlotte Brown, outreach@ehpcares.org

Lucile Packard Foundation for Children's Health: Champions for Children

Date & Time: Ongoing

Description: Champions for Children are community members who host fundraising events, assemble patient kits, and organize toy drives to raise funds and awareness for Lucile Packard Children's Hospital Stanford and the child health programs at Stanford University School of Medicine.

Waiver: No.

Ages: All.

Contact: Caitlin Burns, champions@lpfch.org 650-498-7633

Project Linus-South Bay: Make a Blanket Day

Date & Time: November 3, 9:00 am- 3:00pm

Address: St. Jude's Episcopal Church, 20920 McClellan Rd., Cupertino

Description: Join Project Linus to make no-sew fleece comfort blankets for local children in crisis. Bring 1/1-2 yard pieces of patterned fleece for each blanket you'd like to make - we'll show you how! (Optional potluck lunch - bring something to share). Please RSVP to Sharon Lee.

Waiver: Yes.

Ages: 13 and older.

Contact: Sharon Lee, sjlinus@comcast.net

Palo Alto Family YMCA: Kids Club Volunteer

Date & Time: Ongoing

Address: 3412 Ross Road, Palo Alto

Description: Volunteers support Kids Club Program Assistants in supervising and engaging with youth signed into the Kids Club. Types of activities volunteers will engage in are: arts and crafts, reading, logos, playground activities, and support monthly family events

Waiver: Yes

Ages: 12 and older

Contact: ebony.beshears@ymcasv.org

For more information

If you want to see your service opportunities featured go to

<http://youthcommunityservice.org/request-volunteers-form/>

Have questions? Please email volunteers@youthcommunityservice.org


