

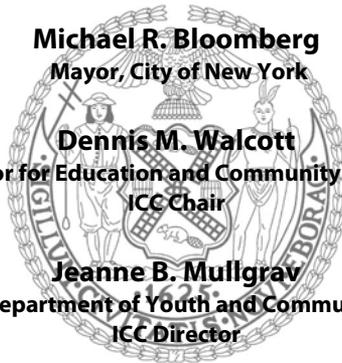
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***A GUIDE FOR
YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES:
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
IN NEW YORK CITY***

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Volunteer NYC

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www.volunteernyc.org

The Mayor's Volunteer Center and United Way New York City are proud to present **Volunteer NYC** to serve the dual purpose of providing meaningful volunteer opportunities for New Yorkers and providing nonprofit organizations in New York City the opportunity to post their volunteer needs and publicize the services provided by their organizations. By tailoring this website specifically to New York City, the database will allow you to search within your own borough and zip code and get travel information for posted opportunities. The mission of VolunteerNYC.org is to help even the busiest New Yorker become a volunteer by giving them a great place to start.

New York City Department for the Aging (DFTA)

<http://www.nyc.gov/aging>

212-442-1322

The Foster Grandparent Program is a volunteer program that offers seniors a paid non-taxable stipend to serve as mentors, tutors and caregivers for children and youth with special needs at schools, hospitals, day care programs, after-school programs and Head Start programs. In addition DFTA offer volunteer opportunities via its [Intergenerational Work Study Program \(IWSP\)](#), its [Community-Based Intergenerational Partners \(CBIP\)](#) and its [Volunteer Support Project \(VSP\)](#).

New York City Department of Correction (DOC)

<http://www.nyc.gov/boldest>

212-266-1000

DOC's Volunteer Services Unit operates under the umbrella of the Department's Programs and Discharge Planning Division. The unit relies on an array of volunteers to provide a variety of activities, programs, and services to the inmate population to promote the rehabilitation, personal growth, and character development of those incarcerated.

New York City Department of Education (DOE)

<http://www.nycnet.edu>

212-374-6000

New York City's public schools need all New Yorkers – parents and non-parents alike – to get involved to support our city's children. Our city is home to many notable organizations that support public schools by providing meaningful volunteer opportunities. If you are interested in volunteering, mentoring, or contributing your expertise, please visit us at the following:

- <http://www.keepitgoingnyc.org/volunteer>
- <http://schools.nyc.gov/FundForPublicSchools/>

Fire Department of New York (FDNY)

<http://www.nyc.gov/bravest>

718-999-2000

The FDNY Exploring Program which is a leadership development, skill building and citizenship enhancement program for youth 14 thru 20 focuses a great deal on community service.

Health and Hospital Corporation (HHC)

<http://www.nyc.gov/hhc>

212-788-3321

Each year more than 8,000 volunteers contribute over one million hours of service to HHC facilities. The ways in which volunteers give of their time and talents are innumerable, and some even create special programs that utilize their own special skills and interests.

Department of Homeless Services (DHS)

<http://www.nyc.gov/parks>

212-361-8000

The organizations listed below provide shelter or related services on behalf of the City. Each has a volunteer program, which would welcome your time and energy. Please visit the departments' site regularly for opportunities to volunteer at DHS!

- [The Bowery Mission](#) - 1-800-871-6347
- [Brooklyn Community Housing and Services](#) - 718-222-1808

- [Children's Aid Society](#) - 212-949-4800
- [Community Food Resource Center](#) - 212-894-3398
- [Homes for the Homeless](#) - 212-539-5252 x50
- [Hope Community, Inc.](#) - 212-860-8821 x110
- [Project Hospitality](#) - 718-448-1544, x165
- [Providence House](#) - 718-455-0197 x11

New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA)

<http://www.nyc.gov/nycha>

212-306-3000

One of the easiest and most effective ways to get involved in your community is to join your local Resident Association. At NYCHA, there are three related residents groups, a development's Resident Association, the Citywide Council of Presidents, and the Resident Advisory Board.

Human Resources Administration (HRA)

<http://www.nyc.gov/hra>

212-331-3420

The HRA Volunteer Program is a service that enables people from the community to be of service and to help make life more meaningful to needy persons in many different walks of life. These persons may be the aged, infirm, children and families. Many volunteers find that they make a significant contribution to others and find a rewarding experience.

New York City Department of Parks and Recreation (PARKS)

<http://www.nyc.gov/parks>

212-360-8111

Volunteers with the New York City Department of Parks and Recreation may join community groups, participate in recreational programming, or work in the parks planting and maintaining the city's green spaces. The Urban Park Ranger Volunteer Program is conducted in all five boroughs and is based out of our ten city-wide Nature Centers.

Brooklyn Public Library (BPL)

<http://www.brooklynpubliclibrary.org/support/volunteer/>

718-230-2100

The Brooklyn Public Library offers many volunteer opportunities. Individuals who are:

- Interested in the library
- Eager to help support and enhance library services
- Need to complete a community service requirement for school
- Interested in a career in library science and administration

Enjoy the satisfaction of helping others

Volunteer applications may be completed online.

New York Public Library (NYPL)

<http://www.nypl.org/support/volunteer/>

(212) 930-0501

Volunteers play a vital role at The New York Public Library. By donating their time, talent and skills, they support and enhance the Library's programs, services and mission. In the Local Libraries, volunteers serve as literacy tutors, work at welcome desks, provide program support, assist with book sales, participate in branch support groups, and advocate on behalf of the Library through letter-writing campaigns and visits to local legislators.

The New York City Department of Probation

<http://www.nyc.gov/html/prob/html/home/home.shtml>

212-361-8872

Volunteers/Internship Program (VIP) is a year-round program designed to provide highly motivated individuals an opportunity to work alongside Probation Officers, Attorneys, Administrative and Clerical Staff, through a "hands on" approach in law enforcement or in related fields. Volunteers/Internship Program participants obtain real life experience.

The New York City Sports Commission

<http://www.nyc.gov/sports>

212-487-5663

The New York City Sports Commission, an agency within The Office of the Mayor, will be hosting the Mayor's Cup Wheelchair Basketball Tournament at Manhattan College and Horace Mann

High School on October 10-12, 2008. The Sports Commission is looking for volunteers to assist with various aspects of the event. This is a great opportunity for individuals to gain experience in the sport industry while serving the community.

Department of Youth and Community Development (DYCD)

www.nyc.gov/dycd

1-800-246-4646

Teen ACTION, DYCD's Service Learning program, is part of Mayor Bloomberg's Center for Economic Empowerment anti-poverty initiative. The program engages participants 13 to 21 years of age in meaningful service projects in their community and promotes appreciation for service and civic engagement, life-skills and critical-thinking skills, supportive relationships with caring adults, commitment to academic achievement and healthy behaviors.

The Young Adult Internship Program (YAIP) is a 14-week internship program for low-income New York City young adults who are not working and not in school. The program incorporates ongoing education, as well as additional participant and employer support.

To find out about volunteer opportunities with DYCD and its funded organizations please call NYC Youthline at 1-800-246-4646

Department of Citywide Administrative Services (DCAS)

212-669-7000

www.nyc.gov/dcass

New York City Fellowship/Internship Programs - City government internships allow students to make important contributions to New York City while participating in challenging and rewarding work experience. Undergraduate applicants must be enrolled in a college or university before applying. Graduate applicants must be enrolled or accepted into a graduate program before applying.