

Community Service Opportunities

Although Woodbridge High School does not require community service hours for graduation, we believe community service to be a valuable and rich experience for the high school student. Students who complete 25 community service hours per year will receive recognition of those hours on their transcript. Community service hours completed during the summer can be included in the school year following that summer. Community Service Forms are available on the WHS website in the counseling section and must be submitted each year for recognition.

City of Irvine www.cityofirvine.org

The city of Irvine offers many volunteer opportunities for teens in a variety of areas. The High School Youth Action Team, Police Explorers, OC Great Park Ambassador Program, Nature Center, Lakeview Senior Center, Irvine Fine Arts Center, and Community Emergency Response team all provide places to volunteer.

Families Forward www.families-forward.org

Families Forward exists to help families in need achieve and maintain self-sufficiency through housing, counseling, education, and other support services. Volunteers are needed for food pantry organization, office assistants, holiday helpers, educational outreach, childcare workers, and furniture/donation pick-up.

OneOC –Volunteer Center of Orange County www.oneoc.org

OneOC offers a variety of ways to get involved in volunteering. It has connected nonprofit organizations with volunteers for over 50 years. It connects young and old, diverse cultures and religions, and people of all economic levels to build a stronger Orange County.

Habitat for Humanity-Orange County www.habitatoc.org

This organization accepts volunteers who are 16 years or older to help build houses in Orange County, or to help out with one of their committees on a regular basis. Volunteers who join committees assist in designing homes, selecting families, soliciting donations, organizing special events, managing legal and financial matters, coordinating public and media relations, helping in the general office and doing many other things.

Orange County Food Bank, Garden Grove, (714) 897-6670, www.ocfoodbank.org

This organization needs volunteers 14 years and older to help box food for low-income mothers and their young children, and senior citizens on fixed incomes. Call for more information.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Orange County, (949) 653-2900, www.feedoc.org

This organization needs volunteers to help sort and pack food at their warehouse on Saturdays from 9 a.m.-12 p.m. or 1p.m.-4 p.m. They also have food drives throughout the year, and programs that provide meals to low income children.

YMCA of Orange County, 714-549-9622 Ext. 114, www.ymcaoc.org

All YMCAs in the United States are volunteer funded, volunteer based and volunteer led. Some of the volunteer opportunities available at the YMCA are as mentors, sports coaches, camp counselors, and tutors.

Boys and Girls Club www.harborareabgc.com

The Boys and Girls Club of the Harbor Area offers many opportunities to volunteer in your local community. Whether it's tutoring in the Power Hour homework program or teaching kids new arts and crafts projects, each and every day you can have a positive impact on today's youth.

Kids Konnected www.kidskonnected.org

Kids Konnected was started as a place to provide friendship, understanding, education and support for kids and teens that have a parent with cancer or have lost a parent with cancer. They need volunteers for office help, camp help, special event help and other areas.

Make-A Wish Foundation of Orange County www.wish.org

Volunteers give their time and talents to help the Foundation bring hope, strength and joy to children who endure the adversity of a life-threatening illness at a time in their life when they just begin to dream. Volunteers assist in various areas of the Foundation alongside staff and other volunteers. In return for hard work and dedication, volunteers receive valuable training, a chance to network, hands-on experience and the gratification of making a difference in the life of a child.

American Red Cross, Orange County www.redcross.org/ca/orange-county

The American Red Cross needs youth volunteers for a variety of programs including peer education and service projects.

Salvation Army, Santa Ana (714) 832-7100, www.salvationarmyoc.org

The Salvation Army has a Christmas warehouse program for which they need volunteers to pack and sort food and toys that will be distributed to needy families for Christmas. Additional opportunities are available.

Rebuilding Together Orange County www.rtsocal.org

Rebuilding Together is the nation's largest volunteer home repair organization in the country. Across Southern California, Rebuilding Together volunteers are dramatically changing neighborhoods and lives by helping deserving homeowners live independently in comfort and safety. Rebuilding Together provides home repair and modification services to low-income homeowner-residents from Ventura County to San Diego and from Greater Los Angeles to the San Bernardino Mountain communities.

America On Track/Orange County on Track, (714) 531-7144, www.ocontrack.org

OC On Track is an award-winning nonprofit organization with extensive experience in the fields of mentoring, violence and drug prevention, health & fitness, youth leadership development, and community collaboration. They offer a Youth Leadership Program that provides teens with public speaking skills, leadership development and advocacy skills so they can speak out with conviction and credibility. They are offered opportunities to participate in community service activities such as mentoring, health fairs, conferences, merchant education, and community beautification.

Volunteer Match www.volunteermatch.org

Volunteer Match is a database with many volunteer opportunities throughout the county. You can find opportunities that match your location and interests.