

Service Learning Opportunities December 2018

These are some helpful web sites if you want to look for more volunteer opportunities:

<http://ballardhs.seattleschools.org/> <https://www.uwkc.org/volunteer/> <https://www.volunteermatch.org/> <https://www.phinneycenter.org/>
<https://www.spl.org/teenservicelearning> <http://nordicmuseum.org/> <https://www.seattleymca.org/> <https://forterra.org/events>
<https://www.volunteer.gov/index.cfm> <https://www.earthcorps.org/> <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/map/>
<https://mtsgreenway.org/> <https://www.wta.org/> <http://www.naturec.org/> <https://outdoorsforall.org/> <http://kingcd.org>

Make popcorn, staff the bake sale (and bake for it), set up/cleanup and more at the **PNA's annual Winter Festival**, Sat., Dec. 1 and Sun., Dec. 2 at 6532 Phinney Ave. Job and shift info and sign up online at <https://www.phinneycenter.org/volunteer/winterfestival>

North Beach Elementary (9018 24th Ave. NW) is looking for volunteers to work concessions for their **Movie Night on Friday, Dec. 7 from 5:30- 8 pm**. You will be trained on how to make popcorn and will supervise and assist the 5th grade volunteers. Need more info and want to sign up? Contact Cameron Cooper cammycooper@gmail.com 206-790-7608 to sign up.

Ballard NW Senior Center (5429 32nd Ave NW) is having its Santa Breakfast on Sat., Dec. 8 from 9-12. You can help with the event and clean-up between 8:30am-12:30pm for 1-4 hours. There is also a Holiday Party on Fri., Dec. 14 and a Santa Luncheon on Mon., Dec. 17 at 12:00noon. Join us Wednesday evenings to work on a variety of projects including event planning, newsletter editing, office management and data entry, sort donations, create and design decorations, and prepare for holiday celebrations at the center. To sign up, go to <http://ballardseniorcenter.org/SupportUs/Volunteer.aspx> or stop by to see Kristina on Wednesdays from 3pm-6pm.

The nonprofit **TEDTalks** is having a **TEDxYouth Seattle** event in April 2019 in the BHS auditorium. They are looking for volunteers who would be part of the planning team and work the event. You can earn 15-20 service learning hours for your participation. Learn more and apply here: <https://tedxyouthseattle.com/volunteering/> Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis.

Are you looking for a fun and creative way to get your service learning hours done? Well, look no more! Come rock those gift-wrapping skills and volunteer your time at the **YMCA Holiday Gift Wrap table at Northgate Mall**. They will be operating during mall hours now through December 24, with all proceeds benefitting The University Family YMCA and Simon Youth Foundation; providing financial aid for academic support programs, summer camps, meals for homeless youth and so much more. Whether you are a gift-wrapping expert or in need of lots of practice, all are encouraged to join in the fun. Online volunteer signups are here: <http://signup.com/go/XqOTZSY> Contact Hillary Caryl at hcaryl@seattleymca.org with questions.

Winterfest Ice Arena, happening at the Seattle Center Ice Rink at Fisher Pavilion (between the Armory and Key Arena) needs volunteers daily now through Sunday, Jan. 6. Hours are from 11 a.m.-8 p.m. Sun.-Thurs. and 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Fri. and Sat. Shifts are 3-5 hours long. Skating ability is not required. Volunteers will hand out and reshelf rental skates and assist customers. You can also help with ice resurfacing. Learn more at <https://www.highlandskatingclub.org/> Click on Volunteer then click on the Winterfest blue signup.com bubble. Pick the shift or shifts that you can work. Dress in warm clothes and shoes; the rink is cold. If you have questions, email Sallie at salliecrowell782@msn.com.

Get Schooled wants your help sending items to students around the country and helping them build the best student resource site around! They are located downtown near Pike Place Market at 1402 Third Ave Suite 717, Seattle 98101. They would love your ideas for social media campaigns and insights on prizes and merchandise. This can be a one-time or ongoing opportunity on your Wednesday early dismissal days or weekdays school is out. Get Schooled is a national nonprofit giving students the power to succeed in education. Email lisa.lane@getschooled.com with "High School Volunteer" in the subject line to ask questions and to get involved. Your email should include the name of your school, graduation year and 3 sentences about why you are interested in this opportunity.

HELP OTHERS READ!! Washington Talking Book and Braille Library (WTBBL) (2021 9th Ave. at Lenora in South Lake Union) sends out 2,000 talking books each day to those who cannot access standard print. WTBBL needs volunteers to do book inspection, shelving and other circulation-related tasks. Training is provided. WTBBL is open M-F 8:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m. and until 7 p.m. on Wednesdays. Complete an application online at www.tinyurl.com/wtbbi-volunteer. For more information, email david.junius@sos.wa.gov. Minimum age to volunteer is 15. Sign up with a group of friends. There is free parking.

Loyal Heights Community Center (2101 NW 77th) needs teens to volunteer one or more days each week on an ongoing basis for the LHCC's teen program that runs Monday-Friday 3:30-6:00pm. You can also volunteer on the third Thursday each month at the Community Dinners Program from 4:30-6:30 need a minimum of three teens sign up. Contact Ron at ronald.brown@seattle.gov or 206-684-4052 to sign up. Ron is also signing teens up for the **Annual Martin Luther King March** on Sat., Jan. 12 from 9am-5 pm. You can be a volunteer or a participant and earn service learning hours. On a first come, first serve basis, Ron Brown can give you a ride from Loyal Heights Community Center to and from the march. If you would like to ride with Ron, you will need an E-13 2018 Participant Information and Authorization Form filled out by your parent or guardian. Contact Ron to reserve your space in the van.

Golden Gardens forest restoration is happening on Sat., Dec. 8 from 9 a.m. to noon. Get details and sign up at <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/12501/>

Lawton Park (Magnolia) has work parties on Sat., Dec. 1 from 11:00-3:00pm and Sat. Dec. 15 from 11am-2:15pm. Learn more and sign up at <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/14822/> or <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/14887/>

Carkeek Park STARS work party is happening on Sat., Dec. 15 from 9 am to noon. Learn more and sign up at <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/12564/> Make sure to bring the completed youth waiver form.

Licton Springs Park (N. 97th St. and N. Ashworth) is having a work party on Sat., Dec. 8 from 10 am-2 pm. Learn more and sign up at <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/12635/>

CALLING ALL FUTURE PROJECT MANAGERS: Seeking an opportunity to hone your leadership and organizational skills? Do you see needs in the community that aren't being met? The **Downtown Seattle YMCA** is seeking talented, altruistic individuals who'd like to help bring the Y-Mission work out into the community. Bonus points for social media savvy, community organization and creativity. They are all about youth development, healthy living and social responsibility. Interested? Contact David Welker at dwelker@seattlymca.org

Volunteers are needed for the **Costume Jewelry Sale** at the Greenwood Senior Center (525 N 85th St, 98103). Assist customers sort through the treasures on your assigned table and help with clean up on Thursday, Dec. 6 from 4- 8 pm. Contact LeAnne Chow at leannec@phinneycenter.org or <https://www.phinneycenter.org/volunteer/events> to learn more and sign up.

The **Phinney Neighborhood Association** (6532 Phinney Ave. N.) needs help at their **Hot Meal Program** preparing, serving and cleaning up dinner for homeless and others in need on Mondays from 4:30 to 7 pm at the Greenwood Senior Center (525 N. 85th St.) and Tuesdays from 4:30 to 7 pm at St. John United Lutheran (5515 Phinney Ave N). Volunteers are also needed for **event set up** on Friday, December 14 from 4 to 6pm at the GSC. Contact LeAnne Chow at leannec@phinneycenter.org or 206-297-0875/206-783-2244 to learn more and sign up.

Friends of the Seattle Public Library need volunteers to work in the Central Library gift shop (1000 4th Ave.). As a volunteer, you will help greet customers and help them find gifts, tag and restock merchandise, ring up purchases, and open and close the collapsible shop. Most volunteer shift commitments are 3-4 hours once a week. To learn how to get involved and complete the online application, go to <http://www.friendsofspl.org/friendshop/>

Lincoln Park work party is happening on Sun., Dec. 16 from 9am-noon. Learn more and sign up at <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/12526/>

Kiwanis Memorial Preserve Park (Magnolia) work party is happening on Sat., Dec. 8 from 9:30am-1:30pm. Learn more and sign up at <https://seattle.greencitypartnerships.org/event/14895/>

The **Environmental Leaders Summit** is happening on Fri., Dec. 7 from 9am-1pm at the Seattle Metropolitan Chamber of Commerce (1301 5th Avenue, Ste 1500). YMCA Earth Service Corps is hosting a forum for local teens and adults from around the Puget Sound to discuss the environmental issues facing our communities. This event will provide opportunities to share ideas, talk with environmental professionals and connect with your peers about the environmental topics you care about. This is free, but registration by Dec. 4 is required at <https://www.ultracamp.com/info/sessionDetail.aspx?idCamp=793&idSession=197514&campCode=kuy>

YESC Wallace Falls Hike: Kick off the New Year chasing waterfalls with on a hike to Wallace Falls on Thurs., Jan. 3 from 8am-5pm. Learn about different kinds of waterfalls while viewing the 9 falls along the hike, take in the view of the Skykomish River valley at multiple lookouts along the trail, and learn how to identify mountains and waterfalls on a topographic map. Transportation available from select locations. Lunch and snacks will be provided. Register on this website (ymcaearthservicecorps.org) or by contacting them (206-587-6116, yesc@seattlymca.org).

Snowshoe at Commonwealth Basin: Join YESC for their first snowshoe trip of the season on Fri., Jan. 4 from 8:15am-4:15pm. Everyone will snowshoe through old growth forests and get frosty while exploring the trails of Snoqualmie Pass. Look forward to seeing the beautiful waterfall on this 5-mile trek and learning about animal track identification. Transportation is available from select locations and snacks will be provided (bring your own lunch). Register on this website (ymcaearthservicecorps.org) or by contacting them (206-587-6116, yesc@seattlymca.org).

The **Forgotten Children's Fund** needs volunteers to help with all kinds of tasks including wrapping presents and assembling toys before Dec. 25 at the "2018 North Pole" in Kent. Times are 10 am-6 or 8 pm with shifts available. You need to be 16+ or accompanied by an adult. Learn more and apply online at <http://forgottenchildrensfund.org/volunteer> Dress warmly.