

Dear Member of the Central Pennsylvania Community,

Welcome to the Fourth Edition of the Community Service Learning Handbook at Penn State Harrisburg. We have updated the listing of opportunities for PSH students to apply the skills and knowledge they are gaining in their classes to make a contribution in the larger community. This handbook is an effort to help students find interesting and rewarding community service opportunities in the hope that more students will become involved with community service learning.

Similar to internships, which provide job skills and career development opportunities, community service learning students are placed in organizations to enhance their understanding of 'real world' conditions. Students combine classroom learning and community experience using critical reflection. Through these opportunities, students develop a greater sense of social responsibility and civic engagement, consistent with Penn State's Land Grant mission, while contributing to the host organization's efforts to serve the broader community (see The Campus Compact of College and University Presidents, 2002).

As you flip through the handbook, you will notice that there are opportunities suitable for students in almost any academic program. There are groups who are looking for someone to help write grant applications or articles for newsletters. Students in business, finance, or journalism may be ideally suited to those positions and would have the opportunity to learn a great deal about the 'real world' application of their skills in the process. Other groups need people to help create databases and systematize organizational records – a task ideal for the right computer science major. Science students may be interested in helping one of the environmental or health-related organizations with their educational and research activities. A number of groups are developing educational programs for adults, parents, and children and would be more than pleased to have an education student honing his/her curriculum development skills on the project.

We hope that you will find something appropriate for your interests in this handbook. We have also included some additional documents that may be of use – an expectation paper and reflection paper assignment, and an evaluation form are in the Appendix. Please feel free to contact us if you would like to explore additional service learning opportunities or have questions about Community Service Learning.

Cordially,

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What is Community Service Learning?

Community Service Learning (CSL) is a learning approach that integrates the academic curriculum with active, relevant, socially constructive community service. Community members and university faculty and students work together as equals, in ways that are mutually determined and mutually beneficial. CSL combines community service to meet human or societal needs with concepts, theories, knowledge and skills learned in the classroom. This combination is facilitated through conscious critical reflection by students. CSL is based upon principles of:

- Democracy
- Civic participation
- Egalitarianism
- Reciprocity

Brief History of Community Service Learning

Public universities like Penn State University were established with a civic mission to prepare students for responsible, engaged citizenship, and to develop socially useful knowledge and resources for the betterment of society and the world. In the early twentieth century progressive thinkers like John Dewey and Jane Addams laid the foundation for community service learning by arguing for active, socially-engaged education as the necessary requirement for a truly democratic and just society. In the past few decades, many institutions of higher learning have been renewing and deepening the commitment to their civic missions and to positive social change with national initiatives like Campus Compact, established in 1985, and now consisting of more than 700 college and university presidents (including Penn State's) "committed to the civic purposes of higher education." Today thousands of institutions of higher learning offer various types of community service learning which involve hundreds of thousands of college and university students in community work throughout the United States. Service learning students at PSUH are involved in a very diverse range of community service activities and types of sites.

Key Elements of Community Service Learning

The essential elements of CSL are:

1. Active student involvement in the community
 - Prepares and trains students in communities
 - Focuses on assets rather than deficits of communities
 - Builds reciprocal relationships with communities
2. Critical reflection integrating service experience with course work
 - Service and academic goals meet real needs and complement one another
 - Emphasizes public and social values rather than individual and private interests
 - Emphasizes larger social contexts, causes and analyses of problems and solutions
3. Critical reflection for democratic citizenship
 - Active community participation promotes healthy democracy
 - Enhances inter-cultural knowledge and understanding
 - Cultivates an ethic of care, compassion and social efficacy

Suggested Agreements for Participants

In the interest of reciprocity and mutually beneficial experiences, it is important that all parties involved adhere to certain agreements and good communication. The following agreements are suggested for all participants (students, service agencies, C-CAR, and supervising faculty).

The Student Agrees to:

- Firmly commit to completing a certain number of hours of service per semester, as agreed upon by his/her faculty member and selected agency.
- Conduct him/herself in a manner appropriate to a work setting and abide by the agency's rules, policies and procedures.
- Report to the service placement site promptly and on the dates and times mutually agreed upon and notify the agency supervisor at once of an illness or emergency that will prevent reporting to the service site.
- Perform all service promptly.
- Attend all orientation and training required by the agency supervisor.
- Notify his/her supervising faculty member of any problem with the service placement or if there is a change in service placement.
- Complete the assignments related to the service learning experience as assigned by his/her faculty member.

The Service Agency Agrees to:

- Provide a service environment that is conducive to learning, with meaningful service experiences that will provide opportunities to apply and enhance understanding of academic concepts relevant to the service experience.
- Train and orient the service learning student regarding rules, regulations, policies, procedures and duties of service, and provide adequate supervision for the student,
- Provide the student and the service learning office with a written service description outlining the student's duties.
- Ensure that the service provided by the student is safe for the student to perform and the risks of hurt, harm and/or danger are minimal.
- Provide a professional service-learning environment that is free from sexual harassment and/or discrimination based on race, ethnicity, religion, national origin, age, gender or handicap.
- Notify the supervising faculty member of any problems regarding the student or the organization that might affect the student's experience.
- Ensure that the student completes the number of hours per semester agreed upon between the agency, student and instructor.
- Evaluate the student's performance using an appraisal form provided by the supervising faculty member.

The Community Service Learning Program of the PSH Center for Community Action and Research (C-CAR) Agrees to:

- Define appropriate agencies and organizations for students to perform meaningful service that can be directly applied to academic course content.
- Provide a directory which provides information on a wide variety of agencies from which students may choose for service placement.
- Recruit faculty who will implement service learning into their curriculum.
- Present service learning curriculum and education materials to faculty and students of diverse educational backgrounds and disciplines.
- Work to make the service learning experience mutually beneficial for all parties.
- Understand that a community agency participates in service learning voluntarily and may decline to be a service-learning agency for any reason.

The Penn State Harrisburg Supervising Faculty Member Agrees to:

- Review the student's service duties and help the student set appropriate learning objectives.
- Ensure the student fulfills her/his commitment to the agency and considers effort to do so in determining the student's course grade.
- Advise the student of his or her eligibility for academic credit
- Instruct students in appropriate note taking, data collection or record keeping procedures during the service placement.

ACLU American Civil Liberties Union

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Activism, Legal/Criminal Justice

PO Box 11761

Harrisburg, PA 17108-1761

www.aclupa.org

Contact: Jamie Mullen

Phone: (717) 236-6827

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 236-6895

Email: hbginfo@aclupa.org

Program: The mission of the ACLU is to preserve all of the protections and guarantees found in the bill of rights. We work also to extend rights to segments of our population that have traditionally been denied their rights.

Service Opportunity: Mostly working with law students as interns, but also have volunteer opportunities for other students. Volunteer opportunities include office work and reviewing requests for assistance/complaint review. Also may have opportunities for staffing booths at community events.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Agency for Retarded Citizens

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Vocational Training, Special Needs

2569 Walnut Street

Harrisburg, PA 17103

www.arcofdc.org/index.

Contact: Barbara Jumper

Phone: (717) 920-2727

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 920-2730

Email: bjumper@arcofdc.org

Program: The Arc of Dauphin and Lebanon Counties is a non-profit, membership organization whose primary purpose is to provide services and supports with dignity and respect to persons of all ages who are mentally retarded. To achieve this purpose, The Arc will cooperate with other government and private agencies and organizations such as the mental retardation system, education system, religious community and other community organizations that provide services to persons with disabilities, especially mental retardation. Services to be provided include advocacy emphasizing individual rights, education through our horticultural program, public awareness, resource and referral.

Service Opportunity: Public Relations and administrative work. Work at summer camp, "Greenhouse." Help with special education students with social skills and self confidence, and camp clean-ups.

Research Needs: Yes. Grant writing

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Possible

AHEDD

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Vocational Training, Special Needs

3300 Trindle Road

Camp Hill, PA 17011

www.ahedd.org

Contact: Nicole Brandt

Phone: (717) 731-5485 x127

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 763-0988

Email: nicole.brandt@ahedd.org

Program: AHEDD is a private, non-profit organization that serves the community by specializing in the provision of employment services for persons with disabilities. AHEDD pursues community employment as the preferred means to promote community integration and independence for persons with disabilities. AHEDD strives to be a prominent advocate for community employment for persons with disabilities.

Service Opportunity: Provide employment services to individuals with disabilities.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: No

Alzheimer's Association

Service Population: Seniors

Concentration Interests: Health, Fund raising, Activism

3544 N Progress Ave

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Suite 205

www.alzpa.org/help/vol

Contact: Paulette Krewson

Phone: (717) 651-5020

Phone 2: (800) 272-3900

Fax: (717) 651-5066

Email: paulette.krewson@alz.org

Program: The Alzheimer's Association, the world leader in Alzheimer research and support, is the first and largest voluntary health organization dedicated to finding prevention methods, treatments and an eventual cure for Alzheimer's.

For 25 years, the donor-supported, not-for-profit Alzheimer's Association has provided reliable information and care consultation; created supportive services for families; increased funding for dementia research; and influenced public policy changes.

Our vision is to create a world without Alzheimer's disease while optimizing quality of life for individuals, families and caregivers.

Service Opportunity: The Alzheimer's Association has volunteer opportunities in Administration, Fundraising and Public Relations, Programs and Services, and Public Policy Advocacy.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

American Cancer Society

Service Population: Special Needs
Concentration Interests: Health, Fund raising

3211 North Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Suite 100
www.cancer.org

Contact: Russell Orlando
Phone: (888) 227-5445 (Option 3)
Fax: (717) 231-5784

Phone 2:
Email: russ.orlando@cancer.org

Program: Support services for cancer survivors, family members, and friends. Raise money for cancer research.

Service Opportunity: Many varied volunteer opportunities including help with the Memorial Honor Program, interacting with patients, helping with administrative duties, and special events (ie. Relay for Life). Also, the CAC program allows college students, faculty, and staff to work together to bring American Cancer Society programs and services to college communities nationwide.

Research Needs: No.
Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

American Heart Association - Capital Regional Div.

Service Population: Special Needs
Concentration Interests: Health, Fund raising

4999 Louise Drive
Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Suite 100
www.americanheart.org

Contact: Becky Ash
Phone: (717) 795-9514
Fax: (717) 795-9518

Phone 2:
Email: becky.ash@heart.org

Program: Education and Research for heart disease and stroke.

Service Opportunity: Help organize and maintain events. Three events a year: "Jail Bail," "Heart Ball," and "American Heart Walk," "Go red for Women luncheon".

Research Needs: No.
Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

American Red Cross- Middletown Chapter

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Health, Education

60 West Emaus Street
Middletown, PA 17057

www.middletownpa.redcross.org

Contact: Nancy Schenck

Phone: (717) 948-3041

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email: kfeldt@crossnet.org

Program: We provide food, clothing and shelter for those people involved in a disaster such as fire or flood. We teach life saving skills such as CPR, First Aid, and how to use an Automated External Defibrillator. We work with the Middletown Interfaith Council to aid those in need with heating, fuel, clothing and prescriptions.

Service Opportunity: First Aid Instructor. Disaster team member. We are always happy to welcome new volunteers to teach classes in life-saving skills, provide aid to disaster victims, help in blood drive, or just to help around the office.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Army Community Center

Service Population: Other

Concentration Interests: Vocational Training, Family and Children, Housing

632 Wright Avenue
Carlisle, PA 17013

Contact: Jeffrey Hanks

Phone: (717) 245-3684

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 245-4679

Email:

jeffrey.hanks@carlisle.army.mil

Program: Army Community Center runs a wide variety of programs to assist military personnel and their families. They offer monthly parent meetings, parent support, out-reach, community based programs, career planning, development, and one-on-one support.

Service Opportunity: Clerical functions. Community liason. Assist with program planning for monthly parents meetings. Looking for volunteers to help with army family team program and with volunteer program itself, re-location assistance, updating site program booklet, exceptional family program, family advocacy program.

Research Needs: Yes.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Arthritis Foundation

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Health

3544 North Progress Ave Ste 204

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Rachel Albright

Phone: (717) 763-0900

Fax: (717) 763-0903

www.arthritis.org

Phone 2:

Email: ralbright@arthritis.org

Program: Our Chapter offers various programs and services to help people with arthritis cope with their disease. Some of the things we offer include exercise programs, educational programs, and support groups. We also sponsor special events throughout the year, like the Joints in Motion Marathon training program and the Jingle Bell Run, to raise money and to raise awareness of this disease in the hopes of one day finding a cure.

Service Opportunity: Administrative support, fundraising, organizing and developing programs. Our chapter is currently seeking volunteers for a variety of upcoming programs & events. The benefits of volunteering are unlimited: helping others to maintain a healthy lifestyle, networking opportunities, make new friends, feel good while helping others, etc.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Audubon Society

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Environment, Education

100 Wildwood Way

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Sharon Sherick

Phone: (717) 213-6880 x13

Fax: (717) 213-6883

www.audubon.org/chapter/pa/pa/

Phone 2:

Email: ssherick@audubon.org

Program: Our Mission is to conserve and restore natural ecosystems, focusing on birds, other wildlife, and their habitats for the benefit of humanity and the earth's biological diversity in Pennsylvania.

Service Opportunity: Organizing library. Managing e-bay account. Manage weekend garden fair and answering questions throughout the fall and spring (Must have outdoor skills). Life guard training. Environmental education and internship program. Volunteer clean-up.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Aurora Social Rehabilitation Services

Service Population: Special Needs
Concentration Interests: Special Needs, Education
2612 North 3rd Street
Harrisburg, PA 17106
Contact: Laura Starke
Phone: (717) 232-6675
Fax: (717) 238-6422

Phone 2:
Email:

Program: Mental Health and Retardation focus. Help individuals with social skills and daily activities, such as field trips and spring dances. Opportunities exist for bilingual students.

Service Opportunity: Help disabled individuals with daily life activities. Help in organizing and participating in social activities for clients. Arts & Crafts activities with members

Research Needs: No
Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Bethesda Mission

Service Population: Any
Concentration Interests: Poverty and Hunger, Housing
611 Reily Street
Harrisburg, PA 17105
Contact: Debbie King
Phone: (717) 257-4442 x222
Fax: (717) 257-5486

P. O. Box 3041
www.bethesda-mission.org/
Phone 2: (717) 257-4440
Email: BethesdaVol@Bethesda-Mission.org

Program: Homeless shelters serving We also have a medical clinic, food distribution, after-school programs for children at youth center, and addictions recovery programs.

Service Opportunity: Help prepare weekend meals; mailroom; clothing room; painting; cleaning; etc. Help with packing food bags for outreach food ministry. On the job training; Child Abuse Clearances need if working directly with children. Also need assistance with answering phones and babysitting.

Research Needs: No.
Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Bethesda Mission Youth Center

Service Population: Men, women, children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Poverty and Hunger

1438 Herr ST

Harrisburg, PA 17105

www.bethesda-mission.org/

Contact: Kenneth Wilson

Phone: (717) 257-5484

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 257-5488

Email:

Program: After school program, Holisitc bible class. (spiritual) creative learning/life skills, homework and game time.

Service Opportunity: Relationship building with children. Help with homework. Cleaning and organizing. Helping with events (i.e. Book Club)

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Big Brothers/Big Sisters

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

1500 North Second Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Suite H

www.capbigs.org

Contact: Susan Hair

Phone: (717) 236-0199

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 236-0633

Email: shair@capbigs.org

Program: Mission: help children reach their potential through professionally supported one-to-one relationships. Work with school-age children by providing a mentoring relationship.

Service Opportunity: Provide academic and recreational support for children. Volunteer at either the community based program or site based.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Boys and Girls Club

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Education

1227 Berry Hill Street

Harrisburg, PA 17104

www.bgccp.org

Contact: Terry Malley

Phone: (717) 234-3268

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 234-3273

Email: tmalley@aol.com

Program: The positive place for kids. Health and fitness classes for girls, environmental education, arts & music programs, anti-gang work, leadership program, job readiness education.

Service Opportunity:

Research Needs: Possibly

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Bretheren Community Ministries

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Education, Poverty

219 Hummel St

1319 Derry Street

Harrisburg, PA 17104

Contact: Gerald Rhoades

Phone: (717) 234-0415 x12

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 233-5489

Email: geraldwr@aol.com

Program: Wide range of programs for adults, families, and children. Kids Church, Kids Club, Youth Drop-in Center, ESL & GED classes, thrift shop, Teach introductory computer classes to youth and adults in South Allison Hill.

Service Opportunity: Kids Club: lead activities in a small group setting develop activities through games, stories, etc. on Tuesdays 5:30-8:00 p.m. Meals, activities, tutoring, and bible study. Peacemaker teams, non-violent training and education. Teaching conflict resolution skills to inner city youth. Clearances required if volunteerings consists of working with children.

Research Needs: Possible

Clearances Required: Yes (See above)

Internships Possible: Yes

Capital Area Therapeutic Riding Association

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Special Needs, Other

P.O. Box 339

Grantville, PA 17028

www.catra.net

Contact: Shirley Nolt

Phone: (717) 469-7517

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 496-0537

Email: snolt@mindspring.com

Program: Therapeutic horseback riding for physical and mental strengthening. All ages. 20 years of service.

Service Opportunity: Prep horses, management of horses and farm chores. Work with riders. Research Needs? Yes. Project on therapeutic nature of horseback riding have been done by students before.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Capital Region Water Board

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Environment, Activism

366 William Dr

Hershey, PA 17033

www.crbw.org

Contact: Marshall Goulding

Phone: (717) 533-5055

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email:

Program: The Capital Region Water Board, is a non-profit corporation incorporated for the purposes of improving public water management in the Capital Region of Pennsylvania and enhancing regional cooperation. The Board serves a Region of 1.8 million people, eight counties in the Lower Susquehanna River Basin. During its 13- year history, the Board has conducted studies of water systems and it is now broadening its work into a comprehensive water management study of the Lower Susquehanna River Basin.

Service Opportunity: In need of volunteer to attend board meeting and take meeting minutes, do mailings and database management.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Catholic Worker House

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Housing, Poverty and Hunger

1440 Market Street
Harrisburg, PA 17103

<http://www.geocities.com/deporres2>

001/about.htm

Contact: Naed Smith

Phone: (717) 230-8328

Fax:

Phone 2:

Email: deporres1@juno.com

Program: Shelter serves primarily men in transition. Collects food, clothing and furniture and distributes to community. Community Gardens: Makes fresh vegetables accessible to residents. Apartment building for transitional housing and housing rehabilitation. Shelter for adults and families.

Service Opportunity: Volunteers are always welcome at the 'House. Numerous field trips with neighborhood kids, holiday and other events, as well as maintenance work and other staples provide many opportunities to make great memories in service. College and other student groups are welcome. Please make arrangements by calling before you arrive.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Center for Champions of PA

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Drug/Alcohol, Education

113 S. 13th St
Harrisburg, PA 17104

www.centerforchampions.org

Contact: Denise Wendle, Executive Director

Phone: (717) 232-9675

Fax:

Phone 2:

Email: jeffanddenise@comcast.net

Program: A faith-based program providing family strengthening activities, dropout and drug abuse prevention programs for preteens, and an after-school program providing academic and computer instruction creative arts, life skills training, positive role models and experiences

Service Opportunity: Assist with homework and daily activities. Administrative duties. Clearances recommended for longer-termed service.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: See Above

Internships Possible: Yes

Center for Independent Living of Central PA

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Special Needs, Housing

207 House Ave, Suite 107

Camp Hill, PA 17011

Contact: Janetta Green

Phone: (717) 731-1900

Fax: (717) 731-8150

www.cilcp.org

Phone 2: (800) 829-7404

TTY: (717) 737-1335

Program: Nonresidential organization established for and by people with disabilities To empower people with disabilities to fully participate in all aspects of society. Provides in-home support, assistance with transportation and community education/advocacy.

Service Opportunity: Administrative support and organize special events.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Central PA Foodbank

Service Population: Low-income

Concentration Interests: Poverty and Hunger

3908 Corey Road

Harrisburg, PA 17109

Contact: Jim Burns (x3012)

Phone: (717) 564-1700

Fax: (717) 561-4636

Email: jburns@centralpafoodbank.org

www.centralpafoodbank.org

Phone 2:

Program: Mission: To reduce hunger in Central Pennsylvania, with the ultimate goal of ending hunger in the area. The mission is pursued primarily by soliciting, warehousing, processing and distributing nutritious food and grocery products to a network of community organizations that directly serve people who are hungry. The Food Bank is also committed to increasing public awareness and understanding of the hunger problem.

Service Opportunity: The Food Bank offers a variety of volunteer opportunities in central Pennsylvania, including stocking shelves, sorting donated food, organizing food storage space, preparing mailings, helping with special events, and more. We'll do our best to match your interests and skills with tasks that need to be accomplished.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Chesapeake Bay Foundation

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Environment, Education

614 North Front St

Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: Kim Patten

Phone: (717) 234-5550

Fax: (717) 234-9632

Suite G

www.cbf.org#http://www.cbf.org

Phone 2:

Email: kpatten@cbf.org

Program: Advocacy organization for Chesapeake Bay Watershed.

Service Opportunity: Speakers bureau community-outreach, grasses for the masses, conservation activity, action network update.

Research Needs: Yes. Based on student interest and current needs.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Children's Check-Up Center

Service Population: Families

Concentration Interests: Health, Education

38 C Hall Manor

Harrisburg, PA 17104

Contact: Victoria Artis

Phone: (717) 233-1700

Fax: (717) 236-8752

communitycheckupcenter.com

Phone 2:

Email: cccdirector@comcast.net

Program: Health services for impoverished families. Gynecological services. STD/HIV screening and counseling. Medical services for children. Hispanic outreach program.

Service Opportunity: Call for current service learning opportunities.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Communities That Care

Service Population: Families

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Education

29 Waverly Drive

Hummelstown, PA 17036

www.ldsd.org/ctc

Contact: Kathy L. Peffer, Community Mobilizer

Phone: (717) 566-6096

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 566-1809

Email: klpeffer@aol.com

Program: Help with mobile book lending library for children. Help with community social events. Mentor a middle schooler at breakfast. Help with publicity through technological support. Publicity help. Teen Center and After School Activities

Service Opportunity: Help with mobile book lending library for children. Help with community social events. Mentor a middle-schooler at breakfast. Mentoring is long-term program (at least one school year).

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Community Action Commission

Service Population: Children & families

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Education

1514 Derry Street

Harrisburg, PA 17104

[/www.cactricounty.org](http://www.cactricounty.org)

Contact: Dajuan Green

Phone: (717) 232-9757

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 234-2227

Email:

Program: The mission of the Community Action Commission (CAC), is to create and maximize the resources necessary for individuals and families to achieve self-sufficiency. The Commission works primarily with and on behalf of low-income individuals and families in Pennsylvania's capital city region taking a comprehensive and innovative approach to dealing with barriers to self-sufficiency.

Service Opportunity: Help with after-school programs. Family support work; parent education; life skill training. SHOC (students helping our community) - motivates a child to maximize his/her potential. Acts 34 & 151 Clearances needed- If doing short term work can work with on individual basis to determine if clearances will be needed. Contact Robin Clark if requesting information on possible internships.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: See Above

Internships Possible: Yes

Community General Osteopathic Hospital

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Health, Education

4300 Londonderry Road

Harrisburg, PA 17105

Contact: Joan Line

Phone: (717) 657-7397

Fax: (717) 782-6448

P.O. Box 8700

www.pinnaclehealth.org

Phone 2:

Email: jline@pinnaclehealth.org

Program: We are a charitable organization committed to improving the health and quality of life for the people of Central Pennsylvania. It is our ongoing commitment - to the people of the communities in which we all live and work - to enhance the quality of medical services and improve healthcare access for all citizens in the region.

Service Opportunity: Conduct patient visits and assist recreational therapist with special events, such as programs and activities. Hours are afternoon and evenings - flexible. PPD for tuberculosis and possible criminal background check required if students perform community service on site.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: See Above

Internships Possible: Yes

Contact Helpline

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Other

P.O. Box 90035

Harrisburg, PA 17109

Contact: Kelly Gollick

Phone: (717) 652-4987

Fax: (717) 652-5017

Email: kgollick@contacthelpline.org

www.contacthelpline.org

Phone 2:

Program: 24-hour, 7 day-a-week, listening, information, and referral service now in it's 33rd year of community service! Maintains a database of more than 1,300 referral agencies, organizations, and programs. Considered the "Gateway to Human Services" in the capital region and maintains the most comprehensive listing of human services available to residents.

Service Opportunity: Answer calls and learn active listening. Refer callers to human service organizations in their community. Three month training program before talking to clients. 12 hours per month commitment required.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Possible

Internships Possible: Yes

Crime Victim Assistance Program

Service Population: Victims

Concentration Interests: Legal/Criminal Justice

One Courthouse Square

Carlisle, PA 17013

www.ccpa.net

Contact: Donna Vandemortel

Phone: (717) 240-6220

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 240-7805

Email:

Program: Advocates for the needs of victims through the criminal justice system. Also works with domestic violence and sexual assault.

Service Opportunity: Accompany people to court. Research needed for jurors, criminal justice system, statistics and grant writing. 60 hour training required.

Research Needs: See Above

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Cystic Fibrosis Foundation

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Fund raising, Health

55 South Progress Ave

Harrisburg, PA 17109

www.cff.org

Contact: Melinda Raback

Phone: (717) 671-4000

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 671-4007

Email: central-pa@cff.org

Program: The mission of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation--a donor-supported, nonprofit organization--is to assure the development of the means to cure and control cystic fibrosis (CF) and to improve the quality of life for those with the disease.

Service Opportunity: Organize events and help with fundraising.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Danzante

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Education, Family and Children

200 Crescent Street

Harrisburg, PA 17104

Contact: Terri Nelon

Phone: (717) 232-2615

Fax:

www.danzante.org

Phone 2:

Email: info@danzante.org

Program: Our mission is to provide a forum for the education, preservation, development, and presentation of Latino and Spanish arts and culture through music, dance, song, theatre, visual arts, and literature for all children, youth, and adults in Central Pennsylvania. We promote awareness and understanding of Latino and Spanish arts and culture.

Service Opportunity: Dance class and art classes. Summer day camp. Afternoon tutoring program in math, science and reading.

Research Needs: Yes. Possibly on mural project.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging

Service Population: Seniors

Concentration Interests: Gerontology

2 South 2nd Street

Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: Jill Berman

Phone: (717) 780-6130

Fax: (717) 255-2792

Administration Building, 3rd Floor

dauphincounty.org

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: Services for people over 50. Protective services, help with medical payment questions. Friendly visitor program - visiting people at home. Intake and referral, meals on wheels, adult day services, and transportation. Committee work toward special projects and service enhancement. Legal assistance.

Service Opportunity: Through the CMS MedicareRx Volunteer Initiative, volunteers at our organization will be given the opportunity to work directly with people with Medicare to help them understand their prescription drug plan options and join a plan that will best suit their prescription drug needs if they choose.

Research Needs: Possible

Clearances Required: Possible

Internships Possible: Yes

Dauphin County Children and Youth

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

25 South Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17101

www.scsc.pa.gov

Contact: Joe Dougher

Phone: (717) 780-7182

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 255-2870

Email:

Program: Case management, adoption services, foster care program, child protective services, and parent education.

Service Opportunity: Junior and seniors only. Internships through civil service. Students may obtain interships through the Department of Public Welfare.

Research Needs: See Above

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Drug Free Pennsylvania

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Drug/Alcohol, Education

300 N 2nd St

Harrisburg, PA 17101

Suite 1215

www.drugfreepa.org

Contact: Robert Quigley

Phone: (717) 232-0300

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 232-5400

Email: [Quigley@ drugfreepa.org](mailto:Quigley@drugfreepa.org)

Program: Drug Free Pennsylvania, a statewide non-profit, provides businesses with cost-effective drug-free workplace programs such as drug testing, training and policies and delivers innovative anti-drug media campaigns to raise awareness, change behaviors, and inspire action to prevent substance abuse.

Service Opportunity: Administrative support, media campaigns, parent training in schools. Research needs exist for information on clients, as well as statistical research involving communities.

Research Needs: See Above

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Firm Foundation

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Vocational Training, Education, Housing

28 N 19th St
Harrisburg, PA 17103

PO Box 5524 Harrisburg, Pa 17110
www.firmfoundation.org

Contact: Ron Tilley

Phone: (717) 233-6133 x204

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email: rtilley@firmfoundation.org

Program: Firm Foundation of Pa., Inc. is a Community Development Corporation (CDC) that is dedicated to a faith-based Christian approach. Our mission is to foster systemic holistic revitalization within the lives and environments of the Capital Region (Harrisburg, PA) community through economic empowerment, restorative justice initiatives, housing improvement, educational enrichments, and community advocacy.

Service Opportunity: PROUD DADS is a fatherhood initiative for those reentering the community from the criminal justice system. F.A.I.T.H. (Facilitating Assistance in Transition & Healing) provides trained faith-based mentors to those on probation or parole. FAITH Mentors are also being provided to the YWCA for women who are transitioning from homelessness. FIRMWORKS is a holistic asset-based approach to systemically reintegrate ex-offender fathers by addressing the social, mental, spiritual and emotional spheres. TRANSITION HOUSING provides up to 2 years of housing and supportive services for Veterans, ex-offenders and other men transitioning from drug and alcohol treatment centers, emergency shelters and incarceration. FirmWorks is renovating 40 facades in South Allison Hill (Harrisburg) in 2005 in collaboration with the Community Action Commission and the Elm Street Project.

Research Needs: Yes.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Focus (Friends of Children United to Save) Intl.

Service Population: Children and families

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Education, Fund raising

4930 E. Texas Rd.
Allentown, PA 18106

www.focusinter.org

Contact: Dick Lane

Phone: (610) 398-0908

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email: focusinter@aol.com

Program: International organization serving children and families through their community. Helps to connect US sponsors with international communities in need.

Service Opportunity: Fundraising, publicity (such as public speaking, creating brochures, etc.)

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Gaudenzia Common Ground

Service Population: Young Adults

Concentration Interests: Drug/Alcohol, Mental Health

2835 North Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17110

www.gudenzia.org

Contact: Sandy Paradis

Phone: (717) 238-5553

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 232-7362

Email:

Program: Gaudenzia helps people affected by chemical dependency, mental illness and related conditions to achieve a better quality of life-allowing them to live as productive and accountable individuals. This is accomplished through comprehensive treatment and prevention methods guided by a philosophy of mutual concern and responsibility. Gaudenzia also conducts research and educates the community on the causes, treatment and prevention of addictions, mental illness and related conditions.

Service Opportunity: Processing intakes and assessments; record keeping; feedback sheets; recording database work. Prerequisites: Criminal and Child Abuse Clearances needed; Pre-counseling training

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Goodwill Industries

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Special Needs, Vocational Training, Education

1150 Goodwill Drive

Harrisburg, PA 17105

P.O. Box 3155

www.yourgoodwill.org

Contact: Jan Harms

Phone: (717) 232-1831

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 232-0115

Email:

Program: Goodwill Industries believes that work is, and will continue to be, a fundamental building block of community. Employment provides economic independence, as well as the secondary gains of preventing and minimizing other social problems. It empowers each person to develop a broader role within the community.

Service Opportunity: Job coaching, training, computer, skills classes. Volunteers and Interns. Application process.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Habitat for Humanity For Greater Harrisburg Area

Service Population: Low-Income

Concentration Interests: Housing, Fund raising, Housing

900 S Arlington Ave Suite 235

Harrisburg, PA 17109

www.harrisburghabitat.org

Contact: Patty Newbower

Phone: (717) 545-7299

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 545-0096

Email:

Program: Work with low income families as an interfaith grassroots organization with the goal of eliminating poverty housing.

Service Opportunity: Help with building homes, clerical work, and fundraising.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Harrisburg Hospital

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Health, Family and Children

111 South Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: Patty Longnaker

Phone: (717) 782-3353

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 782-5911

Email:

Program: Recreation activities with children in Pediatric Unit; including supervision of Playroom, room visits and distribution of toys and games to children on bed rest. Participation in group activities such as crafts, game, music, and story time. Might assist nursing staff by compiling charts; stocking rooms with supplies and other duties as assigned by the nurse; supervising activity in play room while patients are waiting for appointments.

Service Opportunity: Weekdays only.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Harrisburg NOW

Service Population: Women

Concentration Interests: Activism, Other

130 Peregrine Lane

Hummelstown, PA 17036

harrisburgnow.hm.com

Contact: Becca Glenn

Phone: (717) 645-5043

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email: harrisburgpanow@yahoo.com

Program: PA NOW is a grassroots, non-profit, volunteer organization with over 9,000 members and 37 chapters statewide. We belong to the National Organization for Women based in Washington, DC which has over 500,000 members. NOW members are women and men, young and old, all colors, classes and backgrounds, working for equal rights for all women.

Service Opportunity: Service is tailored to student interest and skills and can include event planning, web design, writing literature, and advocacy.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Harrisburg Uptown Soup Kitchen

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Poverty and Hunger

2221 North 6th Street

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Naomi Anderson

Phone: (717) 901-3515

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email:

Program: Provide food to the less fortune members of the community.

Service Opportunity: Serve meals at lunch time and emergency clothing. In order to contact call between hours of 9-1

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Helen Krause Animal Foundation Inc.

Service Population: Animals

Concentration Interests: Other

PO Box 311 Baltimore ST.

Dillsburg, PA

www.helenkrause.org

Contact: Debbie Mowery

Phone: (717) 697-3377

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email:

Program: Provide housing and medical care for abused, stray, and abandoned animals

Service Opportunity: To help in the care, feeding, cleaning, and ensuring a stress free environment for the animals. Training is provided and is hands on.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Hemlock Girl Scouts Council

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Education

350 Hale Ave

Harrisburg, PA 17104

www.hgsc.org

Contact: Robert Greene

Phone: (717) 233-1656

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 234-5097

Email:

Program: Hemlock Girl Scout Council’s mission is simple though very important: To help girls succeed in life by providing the girls of central Pennsylvania with a unique, fun and challenging means to recognize and achieve their full potential as individuals.

Service Opportunity: We offer flexible volunteer opportunities, both short- and long-term, to fit the busiest of schedules. Volunteers can serve in a number of ways: troop leader / assistant leader, camp director, publicity / marketing, trainer of volunteers, fund raising, board of directors, Alumni Association, special events committees, program planning committees, guest speaker, assist a girl with special needs at troop meetings, events

Research Needs: Possible

Clearances Required: Possible

Internships Possible: Yes

Hispanic Center of Reading and Berks County

Service Population: Hispanic

Concentration Interests: Other, Education, Vocational Training

501 Washington St

Reading, PA 19601

www.centrohispano.org

Contact: Laura Welliver

Phone: (610) 685-1264

Phone 2: (610) 376-3748

Fax: (610) 372-2619

Email: welliver@centro.intranets.com

Program: Works with the Latino community of all ages to provide social services, vocational, ESL, and small business related programs.

Service Opportunity: Based on the interests of the student, tailor the experience to the need of the agency and student. Clearances may be required- the agency would try to help out.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: No

Hospice of Central PA

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Health

98 South Enola Drive

Enola, PA 17025

P.O. Box 266

www.hospiceofcentralpa.org

Contact: Barbara Hardy

Phone: (717) 732-1000

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 732-5348

Email: bhardy@hospiceofcentralpa.org

Program: Our mission is one of providing the terminally ill of Central Pennsylvania and their families with compassion, dignity and care through the coordinated delivery of emotional, physical and spiritual support of the highest quality. We exist solely to care for individuals and families who are coping with an life-limiting illness and who prefer the comfort of their own home and the support of family and friends to the impersonal setting of a hospital or nursing facility.

Service Opportunity: Patient Care, emotional support, provide bereavement resources to families. Must complete 33 hours of training.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Depends on task

Internships Possible: No

Institute for Cultural Partnership

Service Population: Immigrants

Concentration Interests: Legal/Criminal Justice, Vocational Training,

3211 North Front Street

Suite 104

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Fredrika McKain

www.culturalpartnerships.org

Phone: (717) 238-1770

Fax: (717) 238-3336

Email: mckain@culturalpartnerships.org

Program: Help diverse, ethnic communities cope understand the American culture, way of life. Working with refugees living in area who are unemployed or underemployed.

Service Opportunity: Help communities find resources and refugee work. Do mock interviews, help with job applications.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: Possible

Internships Possible: Yes

Institute of State and Regional Affairs, PSH

Service Population: Government, NonProfits, Indust

Concentration Interests: Other

PSH Church Hall, 777 W Harrisburg Pike

Middletown, PA 17057

[#http://isra.hbg.psu.edu/#](http://isra.hbg.psu.edu/#)

Contact: Mike Behney

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Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 948-6306

Email: mikebehney@psu.edu

Program: As a Penn State interdisciplinary applied research and service unit in the state capital region, the Institute serves to foster understanding in the areas of: public policy analysis; planning; information collection, management and dissemination; administration; evaluation; and economic and community development. Projects and services are developed with an awareness and appreciation of the diverse values and needs of Pennsylvania's citizens and institutions. The Institute and its several Centers are committed to working closely with other units of the University and strive to enrich the teaching and educational experience of associated students and faculty.

Service Opportunity: Survey work (telephone interviewing)

GIS work (coding data)

Working in our State Capital Office

Helping at conferences and workshops

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Interfaith Family Shelter at State Hospital

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Housing

P.O. Box 61260

Hemlock Building

Harrisburg, PA 17106

Contact: Linda Grudi

Phone: (717) 236-6783

Fax: (717) 236-3271

Phone 2:

Email: lgrudi@hbgdioceses.org

Program: Emergency shelter for families, case management, education, and life skills.

Service Opportunity: One intern per term. Volunteers accepted but there is a long process for clearances if you want to do long term work. For a few hours or a group to conduct an activity something can be worked out. Students committed to service more than fifteen hours of service learning must get clearances.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: See Above

Internships Possible: Yes

Jewish Family Services

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

3333 North Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Mary Lenker

Phone: (717) 233-1681

Fax:

Phone 2:

Email:

Program:

Service Opportunity: Case Management - financial and legal advice, help with life skills, and referral services. Food Pantry. Faith-inAction - services for physically disabled adults between 35-60 years-old. Children's counseling center. 2's Company - home visiting service for home bound older adults. Meals on Wheels. Counseling services. Adoption services - in-depth review of pre-adoptive homes.

Research Needs: Yes.

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: No

Jump Street

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Arts

123 Forster Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Contact: Bob Welsh

Phone: (717) 238-1887

Fax:

rwelsh@jumpstreetonline.org

www.jumpstreetonline.org/

Phone 2: (717) 238-8276

Email:

Program: We are dedicated to developing educational and economic opportunities with the arts for all age groups, resulting in a positive impact for the individual, organization, artist, and surrounding communities through arts education and audience development.

Service Opportunity: Help with fund-raisers, gallery openings, and gift of music program. Non-paying internships, community service, and volunteer opportunities are available year round to meet high school and college requirements. During the summer, we also offer a limited number of paid internship positions to college students.

Research Needs: No.

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Juvenile Diabetes Association

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Fund raising, Health

119 Aster Drive

Harrisburg, PA 17112

Contact: Suzanne Harral

Phone: (717) 901-6489

Fax:

Suite 103

www.jdrf.org

Phone 2:

Email: centralpa@jdrf.org

Program: Supports funding for Diabetes research. With your help, we are moving research from the laboratory bench to the patient's bedside, translating scientific advances into longer, healthier lives for those with diabetes. With your help, we are moving closer to our goal...a cure for diabetes and its complications.

Service Opportunity: Assist in fund raising activities.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Kidney Foundation of Central PA

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Health, Fund raising

4813 Jonestown Rd
Harrisburg, PA 17109

www.kidneyfoundationofcentralpa.org

Contact: Steve Jones

Phone: (717) 652-8123

Fax:

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: Non-profit organization supporting individuals and families affected by kidney disease. Also hold fund raising events to support research. We administer to the needs of those who have just learned of their disease, those who are dependent upon dialysis therapy and those who have received kidney transplants.

Service Opportunity: Administrative support and help with special events.

Research Needs? No.

Clearances Required? No

Internships Possible? No

Leukemia Society of America

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Fund raising

800 Corporate Circle
Harrisburg, PA 17110

Suite 100

Contact: Tiffany Walter

Phone: (717) 652-6520

Fax:

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society is a national voluntary health agency dedicated to curing leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease and myeloma, and to improving the quality of life of patients and their families.

Service Opportunity: Administrative support and help run fund raising events. The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society has almost 1 million volunteers nationwide involved in every facet of the organization's operations. Volunteers are a critical resource in helping the Society achieve its mission. Each year we set our goals higher, and in order to reach those goals, we need you!

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Living Unlimited

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Vocational Training, Education, Special Needs

4601 Locust Lane

Harrisburg, PA 17109

Contact: Ben Shuey

Phone: (717) 526-2111

Fax:

Phone 2: (717) 526-2117

Email: bshuey@geisinger.edu

Program: Employment services for individuals with disabilities. Offers music therapy and life skills training.

Service Opportunity: Office work, data entry. Volunteers need to have clearances and background checks.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Lourdes House Maternity Home

Service Population: Pregnant Teens

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

1611 Boas Street

Harrisburg, PA 17103

Contact: Renee Ramp

Phone: (717) 236-3417

Fax: (717) 236-4548

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: Housing and full program for pregnant teens. Case management, life skills, meals, parenting classes, and mandatory counseling.

Service Opportunity: Applicants will need clearances.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Lower Dauphin Middle School

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Education

251 Quarry Road

Hummelstown, PA 17056

Contact: Asstant Principal Davis

Phone: (717) 566-5344

Fax:

Phone 2: (717) 566-5310

Email: prhine@ldsd.k12.pa.us

Program: Work with at-risk students, usually after school, providing positive relationships and learning opportunities. Be a Book Buddy with a middle schooler who has read the same book. Communicate by e-mail or in person. Help with homework. Be a mentor.

Service Opportunity: Acts 34 & 151 Clearances needed

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: No

Lupus Foundation

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Health, Fund raising

5405 Jonestown Road

Harrisburg, PA 17112

Contact: Jessica Cavey

Phone: (717) 671-9515

Fax:

www.lupuspa.org

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: Promote awareness about Lupus and raise money for Lupus research. Provide service information to those with Lupus.

Service Opportunity: Administrative: answering phones, clerical, data entry, mailings, special projects, typing. Health and Education: community outreach, education seminars, health fairs, speaking engagements. Special Events: Event promotions, event participation, prize/donor solicitations. Support Services: Phone counseling, visitations.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Manada Conservancy

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Environment, Activism

P.O. Box 25

Hummelstown, PA 17036

www.manada.org

Contact: Janet Getgood

Phone: (717) 566-4122

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email: mandaconservancy@verizon.net

Program: Land Trust in Dauphin, and Lebanon Counties. Preservation of national, historic, agricultural, and scenic resources. Conservation educational programs and fundraising.

Service Opportunity: GIS mapping, property maintenance, newsletter, and administrative duties.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Mental Health Association of the Capital Region

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Mental Health

3 Crossgates DR

Suite 120

Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Contact: Joslyn Valentine

www.mentalhealthassoc.org

Phone: (717) 796-0601

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email: jvalentin@mentalhealthassoc.org

Program: Mental Health education and advocacy group

Service Opportunity: Administrative support and technical support with website.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Mid Penn Legal Services

Service Population: Low income

Concentration Interests: Legal/Criminal Justice

213 A North Front Street

Harrisburg, PA 17101

www.midpenn.org

Contact: Kristen Finchak

Phone: (717) 232-0581

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 232-7821

Email:

Program: MidPenn Legal Services is a private, non-profit, public-interest law firm dedicated to providing equal access to justice and high quality legal services to low income persons and survivors of domestic violence in central Pennsylvania. We perform legal services for low income adults, custody cases, and assist with housing issues, welfare, social security, and consumer advice.

Service Opportunity: Custody and landlord-tenant screenings.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Middletown Interfaith Food Pantry

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Poverty

135 East Emaus Street

Middletown, PA 17057

Contact: Barb Klienfelder

Phone: (717) 944-5668

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email:

Program: Provides food products to families and individuals in need

Service Opportunity: Restock shelves, organize and pack food.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD)

Service Population: Communities and families

Concentration Interests: Activism

2323 Patton Rd

Harrisburg, PA 17112

Contact: Susan Goldberg

Phone: (717) 657-3911

Fax: (717) 540-4824

<http://www.maddpa.org/>

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: Mothers Against Drunk Driving (“MADD”) is a District of Columbia not-for-profit corporation whose mission is to stop drunk driving, support the victims of this violent crime and prevent underage drinking.

Service Opportunity: MADD offers a variety of opportunities for volunteers including activism, advocacy, public awareness projects and campaigns, and office support.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Mt. Pleasant Hispanic American Center

Service Population: Hispanic

Concentration Interests: Other

301 South 13th Street

Harrisburg, PA 17104

Contact: Sol Vasquez

Phone: (717) 232-7691

Fax: (717) 233-7227

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: The Puerto Rican Organizing Committee through the Mt.Pleasant Hispanic American Center seeks to increase education opportunities, promote economic security, and improve the general health and welfare of the Hispanic/Latino community in the greater Harrisburg area.

Service Opportunity: Community service: Assist with basic needs (food and clothing), counseling, legal services, AIDS/HIV education and outreach, ESL, GED training, employment services and referrals.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Central PA

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Fund raising, Health

2040 Linglestown Road

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Natasha Booton

Phone: (717) 652-2108

Fax: (717) 652-2190

www.nationalmssociety.org

Phone 2:

Email: natasha.sisti@pac.nmss.org

Program: The mission of the National Multiple Sclerosis Society is to end the devastating effects of multiple sclerosis. We achieve our mission through delivery of programs and services to people with MS and their families and caregivers, and through support of research into the cause and cure of MS.

Service Opportunity: Thousands of volunteers work to help the Central Pennsylvania Chapter accomplish our goals each year. From working a water-stop at an event to sending out information packets to someone who is newly diagnosed, the volunteers are making a difference. Help is needed in administrative support and organizing and helping with events. Paid internship includes Public Relations/Marketing work and writing the newsletter.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Neighborhood Dispute Settlement (NDS)

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Fund raising, Legal/Criminal Justice

315 Peffer Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Contact: Deborah Ritchey

Phone: (717) 233-8255

Fax: (717) 233-3261

www.disputesettlement.us

Phone 2: (800) 324-4453

Email: concillatn@pa.net

Program: NDS provides mediation services with 2 trained mediators at 84 scattered sites throughout service area. Services offered include: mediation - regardless of ability to afford (with particular focus on community-oriented disputes), transformative mediation, group facilitation, conflict resolution/violence prevention education and services, transformative mediation training, community conflict resolution training for police departments and municipalities.

Service Opportunity: A 24 hour mediation training course is required for performing mediation services. Possible tasks available to an intern include mediation, working with volunteers, intake for cases, grant writing, marketing and outreach duties, and small office support staff duties.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Ngozi, Inc.

Service Population: African-American

Concentration Interests: Other

329 Maclay Street

Harrisburg, PA 17110-1833

Contact: Rafiyqa Muhammad

Phone: (717) 232-8803

Fax:

Email: ngoziinc@hotmail.com

Email: rafiyqam@aol.com,

Program: Provides training and education to the community in areas of cultural awareness, physical fitness, and African-American studies. Programs offered include the NGOZI Institute, the annual African Family Festival, African dance classes, African martial arts classes, and African drumming classes. Also conducts summer cultural arts programs.

Service Opportunity: Need for assistance with grant writing and learning to navigate bureaucracies. African American Black Male Summit. The group is holding "village meetings" to discuss their concerns with local officials. They hope to address health disparities, criminal/juvenile justice issues, economic issues, among other things that impact black men.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

PA League of Conservation Voters

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Environment, Activism, Legal

300 N. 2nd Street Suite 610

Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: Michael Fedor

Phone: (717) 234-2651

Fax: (717) 234-5924

www.palcv.org

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: The mission of the Pennsylvania League of Conservation Voters, a registered 501(c)4 non-profit organization, is to educate Pennsylvania voters about the environmental records and positions of elected officials and to help elect pro-environment candidates to office.

Service Opportunity: Opportunities for service vary with current projects and needs and student interests. PALCV effects its mission by educating candidates and voters through voter guides, phonebanking, mailings, our Pennsylvania Environmental Citizens Online (ECO) Network, media campaigns, and issue briefings. We also work with the National League of Conservation Voters, headquartered in Washington, DC, and the LCV Education Fund to acheive our mission.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

PA Women's Commission

Service Population: Women

Concentration Interests: Activism

Room 504, Finance Building

Harrisburg, PA 17120

Contact: Tiffany Strickler

Phone: (717) 787-8128

Fax: (717) 772-0653

www.pcw.state.pa.us/pcw/site

Phone 2:

Email: tistrickle@state.pa.us

Program: The Pennsylvania Commission for Women serves as a strong advocate for women's rights and works to ensure that women and girls have equal opportunity and treatment in all aspects of life.

Service Opportunity: Volunteers and Interns welcome: plan events, research and analyze legislation impacting women, research women's issues, write newsletter articles, update databases, work on variety of initiatives.

Research Needs? No.

Clearances Required? No

Internships Possible? No

Parent Works

Service Population: Families

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

331 Bridge Street

New Cumberland, PA 17070

Contact: Jayne Abrams

Phone: (717) 774-3673

Fax: (717) 774-3891

www.familyservicepartners.org

Phone 2:

Email: jabrams@parentworks.org

Program: Parent education, home work, peer support, and group discussion. Clients are referred by Children and Youth Services and self-referral. An affiliate of Family service partners.

Service Opportunity: Need assistance with telethon in February 2006. Parent education in centers, working with parents of preschoolers, teaching parenting skills through play. Research available in the areas of parent training and analyzing data.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Parents Anonymous of Central Pennsylvania, Inc.

Service Population: Children & Families

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

3700 Vartan Way

Harrisbrug, PA 17110

Contact: Lori Leitzel

Phone: (717) 541-0828

Fax:

Phone 2: (800) 984-9923

Email: lori@pacentralpa.org

Program: Parents helping parents. Child abuse prevention organization. Nationally affiliated.

Service Opportunity: Substitute child care providers. Take care of children whose parents are participating in parenting activities. Evenings and Friday mornings.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Penn Future

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Environment

610 N. Third St.

Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: Jan Jarrett

Phone: (717) 214-7920

Fax: (717) 214-7927

#<http://www.pennfuture.org/abo>

Phone 2: (800) 321-7775

Email: info@pennfuture.org

Program: PennFuture works to create a just future where nature, communities and the economy thrive. We enforce environmental laws and advocate for the transformation of public policy, public opinion and the marketplace to restore and protect the environment and safeguard public health. PennFuture advances effective solutions for the problems of pollution, sprawl and global warming; mobilizes citizens; crafts compelling communications; and provides excellent legal services and policy analysis. According to the Philadelphia Inquirer, PennFuture is Pennsylvania's leading environmental organization.

Service Opportunity: Service opportunities depend on current projects and may include survey design and administration, data entry, public awareness campaigns, general administrative work, rally organizing, surveys and mailings. Energy, environmental law, lobbying and advocacy for environmental issues.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Pennsylvania Public Interest Research Group

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Environment, Activism, Other

1334 Walnut St 6th Fl

Philadelphia, PA 19107

Contact: Beth McConnell

Phone: (215) 732-3747

Fax: (215) 732-4599

<http://pennpirg.org/PA>

Phone 2:

Email: info@pennpirg.org

Program: When consumers are cheated, public health or safety is threatened, or the voices of ordinary citizens are drowned out by special interest lobbyists, PennPIRG speaks up and takes action. We uncover threats to public health and well-being and fight to end them, using the time-tested tools of investigative research, media exposes, grassroots organizing, advocacy and litigation. PennPIRG's mission is to deliver persistent, result-oriented public interest activism that encourages a fair, sustainable economy and fosters responsive, democratic government.

Service Opportunity: Media outreach, research, legislative outreach, writing, citizen organizing, program and administrative backup.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Pinnacle Health

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Domestic Violence

2645 N 3rd St

Harrisburg, PA 17110

Contact: Teresa Smith

Phone: (717) 782-6800

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Phone 2:

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Program: Work with children 18 and under and adults with disabilities to provide evaluation of those who have been suspected of having been physically or sexually abused. Provide medical exams and video taped forensic interviews. Work in cooperation with police, Children and Youth, mental health, and the District Attorneys office.

Service Opportunity: Children's Resource Center- Domestic Violence, sexual assault, and child abuse medical exams. Date rape exams for college students. Speech and Hearing- Assist Speech Therapist with small group activities with preschool age children. Must have criminal background check and childline screening.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: See Above

Internships Possible: No

Planned Parenthood

Service Population: Women

Concentration Interests: Health

1514 North 2nd Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Contact: Stephanie Underwood

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Fax:

Phone 2:

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Program: The mission of PPSV is to provide broad public access to reproductive health care through direct services, education, and advocacy. Reproductive health care, cancer screening, STD/HIV treatment and counseling, and family planning. Community education programs.

Service Opportunity: Flexible 10-15 hour per week. Interns, research, and development projects.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Retired Senior Volunteer Program

Service Population: Seniors

Concentration Interests: Gerontology

5301 Jonestown Rd

Harrisburg, PA 17112

Contact: Carol Oman

Phone: (717) 541-9521

Fax:

Phone 2: (800) 870-2616

Email:

Program: Recruits, interviews, places, and supports volunteers in non-profit agencies and schools. Operates tutoring afterschool, environmental senior computing, and arts programs.

Service Opportunity: Organize/lead a volunteer activity, tutor, clerical and administrative work. Conduct/instruct a classroom in arts and/or physical education.

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Rural Opportunities, Inc.

Service Population: Other

Concentration Interests: Vocational Training

1625 North Second Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Contact: Jennifer Fuller

Phone: (717) 234-6616

Fax:

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: ROI is a private, not-for-profit regional community development and human service organization providing services to farmworkers, low-income families and economically depressed communities throughout New York, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Ohio, Indiana and Puerto Rico. Helps poor and disenfranchised groups with buying homes and retaining employment. Welfare to work program.

Service Opportunity: Help with job searches, resume building, and skill development.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Salvation Army

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Education

1122 Green Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Contact: Gary Biller

Phone: (717) 233-6755

Fax: (717) 231-3650

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: The Bridging the Gap Program provides life skills classes aimed at tackling the growing needs of children. The Salvation Army provides learning classes associated with drug and alcohol awareness, HIV/AIDS, skills for employment search, money management and victim awareness.

Service Opportunity: Volunteers and interns have the opportunity of preparing and possibly facilitating some of the above listed classes.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Scott Elementary School

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Education, English as a Second Language (ESL)

1900 Derry St.

Harrisburg, PA 17104

Contact: Kathy Cunningham

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Fax:

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Program: Work with low-income elementary school students in an urban two-way immersion classroom (English and Spanish.) No experience with Spanish language required. Volunteers are needed to read to students, and work on writing and math and other activities. This is a great experience for working in the community and learning about the dynamics of low income schools and how they interrelate with issues and problems in our larger society.

Service Opportunity: Helping children in a low-income elementary school classroom.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

SEAC (Student Environmental Action Commssion)

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Environment, Activism

415 Baltimore Avenue

Philadelphia, PA 19104

Contact: Maren (National Council Coordinator)

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www.seac.org/about

Email: ncc@seac.org

Email: webteam@seac.org

Program: Student Environmental Action Coalition a grassroots coalition of student and youth environmental groups, working together to protect our planet and our future. Through this united effort, thousands of youth have translated their concern into action by sharing resources, building coalitions, and challenging the limited mainstream definition of environmental issues.

Service Opportunity: As a campaign coordinator you can help local activists on their campaigns, build coalitions with national and regional organizations around the issue, work with the media to get publicity for the issue, create materials for the campaign and build the movement through organizing days of action, conferences and other events.

Regional coordinators help build city, state or multi-state networks of environmental and social justice activists and SEAC is looking for new coordinators in every part of the country. What regional networks do is all up to the people involved.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Seidle Hospital

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Health

120 South Filbert Street

Mechanicsburg, PA 17055

Contact: Michelle Dallmeyer

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Program: Schedule regular structured and planned visits, providing a one-one activity such as reading, crafts music sharing, manicures, using reminiscence therapy, including documentation of the visits.

Service Opportunity: Training is provided.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Shalom House

Service Population: Children and Women

Concentration Interests: Housing

P.O. Box 3893

Harrisburg, PA 17105

www.shalomhouse.net

Contact: Jackie Marrisom

Phone: (717) 232-3482

Phone 2:

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Email:

Program: Emergency shelter for women and children. 30-60 day support and post-shelter service. Shalom House provides temporary shelter for women and children who have no where else to go, and provides for their basic needs: a bed, food, clothing, health and hygiene supplies, and a temporary address and telephone number.

Service Opportunity: Volunteers are an important part of Shalom House's success. You can help by participating in or planning a fundraiser for Shalom House, volunteering a few hours of your time at the house each month, or help clients get to appointments. Must commit to certain hours. Police and child abuse clearances required.

Research Needs: Possible

Clearances Required: See Above

Internships Possible: Yes

Shining Light Thrift Shop

Service Population: Any

Concentration Interests: Poverty and Hunger

1310 North 3rd Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

Contact: Greg Beatty

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Phone 2:

Fax:

Email:

Program: Provide clothing and furniture to economically disadvantaged

Service Opportunity: Sort and price clothing

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Sierra Club

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Environment, Activism

600 North 2nd Street Suite 409

Harrisburg, PA 17101

Contact: Jeff Schmidt

Phone: (717) 232-0101

Fax:

PO Box 663, Harrisburg 17108

<http://pennsylvania.sierraclub.org>

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: Pennsylvania Environmental lobbying for pro environmental legislation. As a chapter, we are concerned with many issues. Some of our political activity takes the form of rallies and demonstrations. Other times we work with government committees and organizations.

Service Opportunity: Volunteers and Interns. Spring or Fall. Administrative support for groups. The Sierra Club's Pennsylvania Chapter, located in Harrisburg, is looking for volunteers. There is opportunity to assist with special projects and various office tasks such as: deliver letters to legislators at the Capitol, prepare mailings, research issues, participate in press conferences, data entry, help with office recycling, along with other miscellaneous tasks.

Research Needs: Possibly

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

South Central Assembly for Effective Governance

Service Population: Local Municipalities, communit

Concentration Interests: Other

PSH Church Hall, 777 W Harrisburg Pike

Middletown, pa 17057

Contact: W. Craig Zumbrun

Phone: (717) 948-6324

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www.southcentralassembly.org

Phone 2: (717) 948-6464

Email: wcz2@psu.edu

Program: We run many initiatives in the area of housing, health & human services, farmland preservation, parks, recreation and conservation, and downtown renewal.

Service Opportunity: Writing and editing newsletters

Community research projects

Financial information systems

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

The Joshua Group

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

1442 Market Street

Harrisburg, PA 17103

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Fax:

www.joshuagroup.org

Phone 2:

Email: Joshcenter@comcast.net

Program: Mission: The Joshua Group seeks to provide hope and support for at risk youth primarily through education and vocational opportunities.

Service Opportunity: J-Crew program is an early intervention after school tutoring/mentoring program for 7th graders. Together students and J-Crew participants work on at-risk youth prevention curriculum led by staff, spend time on homework, and participate in a variety of recreational activities.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

The Joshua Group

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Vocational Training

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Program: GIS Navigator program mentors and offers job training for youth 16+ years old who want to gain employment experience, complete high school, obtain GED, and eventually attend college.

Service Opportunity: Coordinate and plan various GIS projects using ArcGIS 8.2. Will be in charge of training and managing a small work crew that will collect data around the neighborhoods of Harrisburg and creating new GIS Data that will collect data around the neighborhoods of Harrisburg and creating new GIS Data for clients. Various options for GIS projects include an urban forestry study, urban land-use/land-change, asset mapping, and mapping city infrastructure. Free room and board is possible for the intern during the internship in The Joshua Group Community on South Allison Hill.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

Transitional Living Center (TLC)

Service Population: Anyone

Concentration Interests: Housing, Special Needs

105 E King St

Lancaster, PA 17602

www.tlclancaster.org

Contact: Susan DeBruin

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Program: Transitional Living Center (TLC)'s mission is to reduce homelessness by providing transitional housing with supportive services resulting in independent, productive lives. At TLC, families regain their place as responsible, productive members of society. Since opening its doors in 1987, TLC has served over 7,500 homeless individuals in their journey toward permanent housing and financial stability. Helping to bridge from homelessness to permanent housing. Mandatory drug and alcohol treatment program, life skills and budgeting classes, consumer credit counseling, and so forth.

Service Opportunity: Babysitting, activities with children and mentally handicapped adults (i.e. Conversation, board games, etc.), fundraising. Clearances and training required.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: No

Tri-County Association for the Blind

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Special Needs

1800 North Second Street

Harrisburg, PA 17102

www.tricountyblind.org

Contact: Bonnie Frye

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Email: info@tricountyblind.org

Program: We work to improve the quality of life for people who are visually impaired in the Tri-County region. By helping each person achieve his or her full potential and maximum independence, our consumers flourish within and enrich our communities. In addition, the Association provides prevention of blindness services to the public.

Service Opportunity: Taking people to doctor appointments, reading mail to them. The Radio Reading - volunteers read newspaper over radio to the blind.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

United Cerebral Palsy of Central PA

Service Population: Special Needs

Concentration Interests: Special Needs

44 South 38th Street

Camp Hill, PA 17011

Contact: Marie Ledger

Phone: (717) 975-0611

Fax: (717) 975-0839

www.ucpcentralpa.org

Phone 2:

Email: mledger@upcentralpa.org

Program: UCP Central PA provides quality services to people with disabilities, and their families, in Central Pennsylvania. Early intervention for children and therapy for individuals with CP. Case management, community outreach, assistive technology, and group homes.

Service Opportunity: Interact with clients. Establish and maintain website. Public Relations. Also currently looking for gardeners/landscapers

Research Needs: Yes

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

United Methodist Home for Children and Families

Service Population: Families

Concentration Interests: Family and Children

5120 Simpson Ferry Road

Mechanicsburg, PA 17050

Contact: Kathy Eppley- PR Director

Phone: (717) 766-7652

Fax: (717) 766-5828

www.umhcservices.org

Phone 2:

Email:

Program: Originally a home for orphans, today The Home is a refuge for children who are the victims of a negative social environment. Each year, UMHC programs provide emergency shelter and residential treatment for hundreds of children on our beautiful 56 acre campus in Cumberland County.

Service Opportunity: Arts and crafts instruction, read to residents. Must be 21 years of age and have state and DPW clearance.

Research Needs: Yes.

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: Yes

Volunteers of America

Service Population: low income children

Concentration Interests: Education, Family and Children, Poverty

2112 Walnut St

Harrisburg, PA 17103

www.voapa.org

Contact: Dan Day

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Phone 2:

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Email: dday@voapa.org

Program: VOA is a national, nonprofit, spiritually based organization providing local human service programs, and opportunities for individual and community involvement. VOA activities include: literacy programs and special events such as egg hunts, and book-a-rama.

Service Opportunity: Volunteers are greatly appreciated. Many opportunities including tutoring, computer tutors, facilitate groups for book clubs, fundraising, and office work. There are also summer programs. A book grant is received through Scholastic Inc. to provide books and distribute throughout the community. Students can help sort and stamp books as well as distribute them within the community and establish new community partnerships and book giveaway sites.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Wildwood Lake Sanctuary

Service Population:

Concentration Interests: Environment, Fund raising, Other

100 Wildwood Way

Harrisburg, PA 17110

www.wildwoodlake.org

Contact: Sandy Lockerman

Phone: (717) 221-0292

Phone 2:

Fax: (717) 221-0318

Email: icanhelp@wildwoodlake.org

Program: The Friends of Wildwood Lake goal is: To preserve and support the Wildwood Lake Sanctuary and the Benjamin J. Olewine III Nature Center

This is accomplished by: Supporting county educational efforts; Providing educational and recreational opportunities for the general public; Driving membership in an effort to increase funds to support the maintenance and enhancements of the park

Service Opportunity: Monthly Park workday, front desk, volunteer patrol program, trail maintenance, operate nature center, help in the education program, development, photography, computer work with Microsoft Word, Excel and database.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: Yes

Youth Services

Service Population: Children

Concentration Interests: Family and Children, Education

637 Lirgett Road

Carlisle, PA 17013

www.carlisleemwr.com/youthservices

Contact: Allan Campbell

Phone: (717) 245-3354

Phone 2:

Fax:

Email:

Program: Youth Services of Carlisle Barracks offers membership to all youth between the ages of 6-18 years of age who are family members of Active Duty, National Guard, Reserve, Retired Military, Veterans and DOD employees.

Service Opportunity: Supervise crafts, game room, and outdoor activities. Administrative support.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: Yes

Internships Possible: No

YWCA of Harrisburg (VIP Service)

Service Population: Children, Men, Women

Concentration Interests: Domestic Violence

1101 Market ST

harrisburg, PA 17103

www.ywcahbg.org/vip

Contact: Donna Wolfe

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Phone 2:

Fax:

Email: dwolfe@ywcahbg.org

Program: Counseling. Outreach at Hershey Medical Center (VIP Service) Violence Intervention Prevention Emergency Shelter for mothers and children. Domestic Violence Shelter Emergency Shelter- Single women and children

Service Opportunity: A 24 hour hotline for sexual assault and domestic violence victims. Also offer them shelter. Do court, victim witness, hospital, and police accompaniment. Offer support groups and individual counseling. Education outreach to the community. Clearances are required as well as required training program that the agency helps with cost of.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

Internships Possible: No

YWCA of Harrisburg Prevention Education

Service Population: Women

Concentration Interests: Education, Family and Children, Domestic Violence

1101 Market Street

Harrisburg, PA 17103

www.ywcahbg.org

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Email: dwolfe@ywcahbg.org

Program: Prevention education programs for domestic and sexual assault. Outreach to the community. Head start- before and afterschool care. Kindergarten Afterschool program. Homework mentoring. "Tech Girls" : computer education class for teenage girls. Pregnant Parenting- Education program for teenagers in the Harrisburg School district.

Service Opportunity: Participate with health fairs and community outreach projects. Potential public speaking opportunities for college students. Will need to do training and have clearances.

Research Needs: No

Clearances Required: No

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30	Interfaith Family Shelter at State Hospital
30	Jewish Family Services
31	Jump Street
31	Juvenile Diabetes Association
32	Kidney Foundation of Central PA
32	Leukemia Society of America
33	Living Unlimited
33	Lourdes House Maternity Home
34	Lower Dauphin Middle School
34	Lupus Foundation
35	Manada Conservancy
35	Mental Health Association of the Capital Region
36	Mid Penn Legal Services
36	Middletown Interfaith Food Pantry
37	Mothers Against Drunk Drivers (MADD)
37	Mt. Pleasant Hispanic American Center
38	National Multiple Sclerosis Society of Central PA
38	Neighborhood Dispute Settlement (NDS)
39	Ngozi, Inc.
39	PA League of Conservation Voters
40	PA Women's Commission
40	Parent Works
41	Parents Anonymous of Central Pennsylvania, Inc.
41	Penn Future
42	Pennsylvania Public Interest Research Group
42	Pinnacle Health
43	Planned Parenthood
43	Retired Senior Volunteer Program
44	Rural Opportunities, Inc.
44	Salvation Army Bridging the Gap
45	Scott Elementary School
45	SEAC
46	Seidle Hospital
47	Shalom House
47	Shining Light Thrift Shop
48	Sierra Club
48	South Central Assembly for Effective Governance
49	The Joshua Group
49	The Joshua Group
50	Transitional Living Center (TLC)
50	Tri-County Association for the Blind
51	United Cerebral Palsy of Central PA
51	United Methodist Home for Children and Families
52	Volunteers of America
52	Wildwood Lake Sanctuary
53	Youth Services
53	YWCA of Harrisburg (VIP Service)
54	YWCA of Harrisburg Prevention Education

APPENDIX A:

***SAMPLE SERVICE LEARNING PAPERS
AND EVALUATION FORMS***

The forms included in this section have been used by the authors of this handbook in their courses. The forms can be mixed and matched, used, or not used as appropriate to each individual course and instructor. To deliver a ‘true’ community service learning curriculum, however, we do feel that it is necessary to include opportunities for students to explore their expectations going into their CSL assignment and reflect on the experience when they have completed the assignment. Further, to ensure reciprocity and accountability we strongly recommend use of either an evaluation form completed by the agency supervisor, or a learning contract where the instructor, agency supervisor and student all reach agreement on the work to be completed and assess the extent to which each party upheld her/his commitments. The forms included in this section provide a sense of how we have addressed those considerations in our own classes -- feel free to copy/use them if they can be of use for your classes. If you design your own forms or alternative approaches to reflection and evaluation, we’d love to hear about them.

Expectations for Community Service Learning: Student and Service Supervisor

Penn State University Harrisburg
(To be Completed at the Beginning of the Student's Service at the Site.)
(Please Use Additional Pages if Needed.)

Course Name and Section:

Professor's Name:

Student Name:

Date:

Agency Supervisor Name:

Name of Organization/Site:

1. (Student:) Write a brief summary of what the organization/site does:

2. (Student:) What expectations do you have of the service-learning project? What type of work do you hope to do? What are your goals?

3. (Student:) How do you anticipate that this service site and your work there will relate to our course? What sorts of issues and topics do you expect to encounter and examine in relation to our course content? In what ways do you think your work with this site connects with citizenship?

4. (Supervisor:) What expectations does the supervisor have of the student? What goals do you have for the student?

5. (Student, in consultation with supervisor:) What are the responsibilities and tasks of the student at the organization?

6. (Student, in consultation with supervisor:) What will be the process of communication between the student and the supervisor? If there are any questions or problems regarding the service, how will the student and supervisor communicate? (by phone? email? in person?)

7. (Student, in consultation with supervisor:) What will be the student's schedule at the organization? (A minimum of 15 hours of service are required during the semester. More hours are encouraged.)

Student's signature: _____

Supervisor's signature: _____

Reflection Paper for Community Service Learning
Penn State University Harrisburg

Course Name and Section:
Professor's Name:

This reflection paper is the main writing assignment for students doing community service learning in partial fulfillment of requirements for the course listed above. (The other two papers required for the service learning option are the two-page "Expectations" form, and the one-page "Evaluation" form which your supervisor will complete when you finish your service with your chosen site.)

Your reflection paper should be **3-4 pages of text (i.e. 900-1200 words), double-spaced, one-inch margins, 12-point font (Times New Roman is recommended), and must be typed.** You are not required to cite secondary sources or to have a bibliography in this paper though you may include them, if you wish. Follow the directions in your course syllabus under for additional expectations on form for your paper.

Your 3-4 page reflection paper is intended for you to reflect about your service learning experience and how it relates to class materials, themes, issues, ideas and problems, as well as the themes of citizenship and civic engagement.

In your paper you should address the questions listed below. The amount or weight of writing which you give to each set of questions is up to you (i.e. a few sentences, a paragraph, several paragraphs...)

- 1) Give the name and briefly describe the purpose and activities of your service site. Specifically, what are the mission and goals? What does the organization/agency/group do? What services do they provide? What clientele do they serve?
- 2) Describe your role in the site/organization. What different tasks/roles did you perform?
- 3) Describe the ways in which you think your service site and your work there relates to citizenship or civic engagement. What civic functions/purposes does the site contribute to?
- 4) Describe what you have learned from your service experience. Specifically, **be sure to relate your experience to course material, themes, ideas.** What course issues/themes/problems does the site/organization deal with? How well? Are there any theoretical insights or perspectives from the course that help shed light or provide illumination on the work of your site? Is there empirical information learned in class which you can apply to the work of the site?
- 5) Analyze what you think are the strengths and weaknesses of the site/organization or its work, or its ability to carry out its mission (for example, are there funding constraints? Is this "model" for addressing the targeted issues/problems adequate?) Are there alternative ways of providing these services or pursuing these missions/goals which you think might be better/more effective? What are the limitations or problems with the existing approach?

Note: For all your answers, provide support and explanations, e.g. why or why not, etc?

Evaluation of the Student Volunteer in Community Service Learning

(To be completed by the student's **Supervisor** at the service site.)

Penn State University Harrisburg

Course Name and Section:

Professor's Name:

Student Name:

Supervisor Name:

Name of Organization:

Please use the following form to evaluate the student's service with your organization. Additional comments are welcome and helpful, and may be added to the back of the page.

Please fill in the blanks below using the following scale:

1=poor, 2=fair, 3=good, 4=very good, 5=excellent

Mark all that apply. Mark "NA" for not applicable.

1. Responsibility: fulfilled obligations to the organization:

Reliable _____ Prompt _____

Completed tasks and commitments _____

2. Collegiality: interactions with staff, and/or clients, and/or other volunteers:

Quality of work with others _____ Attitude _____

3. Skills: well-developed abilities in relevant areas:

Communication _____ Organization _____

Resourcefulness _____ Research skills _____

Critical thinking/ problem-solving _____

4. Overall Quality of Student's Contribution _____

5. **Number of Hours of Service** the Student Completed with Your Organization: _____

6. Qualitative comments (please use back of page, if needed:)

7. Would you be interested in having student volunteers from Penn State Harrisburg in the future? Yes _____. No _____. Comments (please use back of page, if needed:)

(If yes, please provide phone number _____.)

Supervisor Signature: _____ Date

Thank you very much for your time and assistance.