

Dear Youth Volunteer:

Thank you for your interest in volunteer work in the community. This book was designed to assist you in locating meaningful volunteer work that will help you meet the requirements of service hours needed. I also hope you will find as you participate in community service, a personal satisfaction in knowing you have helped someone else, whether it be a person in need of a kind word or a community in need of a helping hand.

This is the third printing of this directory and we have added more organizations that are in need of youth volunteers. They are listed in alphabetical order with a brief summary of what the organization is all about, volunteer opportunities available, and the contact person.

Every day millions of people in this country dedicate their time and talent volunteering to make a difference in their communities and I challenge **YOU** to be one of those people who reach out to make a difference.

I have gotten positive feedback from both the agencies involved in this project and from teens looking for service hours. I hope you find it useful.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at 346-4430 or [kms@ci.coral-springs.fl.us](mailto:kms@ci.coral-springs.fl.us).

Synergetically yours,

Kim Sanecki  
Volunteer Coordinator  
City of Coral Springs

# A

## **Adopt A Mile**

10253 Vestal Court  
Coral Springs, FL 33071  
971-4040

Contact: Roy Gold, Program Coordinator

Adopt A Mile raises awareness of environmental issues while actively reporting negative environment occurrences.

### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Adopt a square mile of Coral Springs and review the area for dead trees, dumping of trash, tree removals, land abuse, damaged street signs, etc.

## **Alzheimer Family Center**

4900 W. Atlantic Blvd. Suite #4  
Margate, FL 33063  
971-7155

Contact: Rochelle Donohue

The Alzheimer Family Center is dedicated to improving the lives of families affected by Alzheimer's disease and other memory disorders.

### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Holiday Fantasy of Lights (November and December)  
Volunteers needed to assist with directing cars inside Tradewinds Park along the 2.2-mile path.

## **American Cancer Society**

Broward Unit  
3407 N.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue Suite 100  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309  
564-0880 (Option 2)  
Contact: Karen Fraser

The American Cancer Society is the nationwide community Based voluntary health organization dedicated to the elimination of cancer as a major health problem by preventing cancer, saving lives from cancer and diminishing suffering from cancer through research, education, advocacy and service.

### Volunteer Opportunities:

- General Office Work
- Answering Phones
- Special Events

## **American Heart Association**

Florida/Puerto Rico Affiliate  
1751 W. Cypress Creek Road  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309  
772-8100

Contact: Elizabeth Gabrielle, Youth Market Director

The American Heart Association's mission is to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Assist with Special Events
- Office Work

### **American Red Cross**

521 N.E. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL  
779-2904

Contact: David Gonzalez

American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization, led by volunteers, that provides relief to victims of disaster and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Health and Safety Instructors
- Youth Telephone Hotline Team
- Disaster Services
- Special Events
- Clerical Assistance

### **Arthritis Foundation – Florida Chapter**

8333 W. McNab Road – Suite 201  
Tamarac, FL 33321  
726-6707

The Arthritis Foundation supports research to find ways to cure and prevent arthritis and seeks to improve the quality of life for those affected by arthritis.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Data Entry
- Registration for Special Events and Programs
- Addressing and Stuffing Envelopes

## **B**

### **Billfish Foundation**

P.O. Box 8787  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33310-8787  
938-0150  
Contact: Carmela Siegel

The Billfish Foundation is a non-profit organization dedicated to the conservation and enhancement of billfish populations worldwide through research, education and advocacy.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Card Filing for the Billfish Tagging Program

### **Boys and Girls Clubs of Broward County**

Creative Arts Program  
2200 N.W. 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33305  
566-8005  
Contact: Brenda Sylmore

The Boys and Girls Clubs Creative Arts Program seeks to enhance the lives of members by encouraging them to develop their talents and build their self-discipline and self-esteem through active participation in performing arts projects.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Assist with the Creative Arts Program

### **Broward County**

Elderly and Veterans Services  
2995 N. Dixie Highway  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33334  
537-2936  
Contact: Carol Schwartz

The Elderly and Veterans Services Division provides assistance to indigent older adults with multiple physical and psychiatric impairments to stay in their own homes and avoid institutionalization.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Friendly Visitors
  - companion
  - reading to client
  - writing letters
  - going for walks
  - playing cards/games

### **Broward County Library**

West Atlantic Branch Library  
10643 W. Atlantic Blvd.  
Coral Springs, FL 33071  
341-3912  
Contact: Karen Cosimano

Northwest Regional Library  
3151 University Drive  
Coral Springs, FL 33065  
341-3965 ext. 238  
Contact: Laurie Sanchez

The Broward County Library System provides a full range of free services to a diverse community through 33 locations and two bookmobiles. U.S. Library of the year 1996-1997.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Clerical
- Book Repair
- Shelve Books

### **Broward County**

Parks and Recreation  
950 N.W. 38<sup>th</sup> Street  
Oakland Park, FL 33309  
357-8151  
Contact: Tina Murto

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Special Event Support
- Program Support/After School and Summer Recreation
- Homework Helpers
- Youth Development Coach
- Senior Programmer
- Safety Town Instructor
- Stable Volunteer
- Park Improvement Specialist
- Trail Blazer
- Mountain Bike Patrol
- Nature Tour Guide
- Natural Area Volunteer

### **Broward Soil and Water Conservation District**

6191 Orange Drive – Room 6183Q  
Davie, FL 33314  
584-1306  
Contact: Russell Setti

Broward Soil and Water Conservation District supports Natural Resources Conservation and Environmental Education Programs in conjunction with USDA-NRCS in Broward County.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Typing
- Filing
- Computer Work

### **Broward Waterway Cleanup – Coral Springs Site**

205 Coral Ridge Drive  
Riverside Park  
Coral Springs, FL  
971-4040  
Contact: Roy Gold, Site Coordinator

An annual event is held to clean up local waterways and raise awareness of water pollution.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Canal Clean Up in March of each year

## **C**

### **Center for Group Counseling**

22455 Boca Rio Road  
Boca Raton, FL 33433  
(561) 483-5300  
Contact: Connie Wagaman

Center for Group Counseling provides free and low-cost group counseling to children and adults unable to afford private treatment.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Fund Raising
- Grounds Work
- Mailings
- Thrift Shop
- General Office Work

### **Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center/South Florida**

417 South Andrews Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301  
728-1040  
Contact: Dianne Batchelder

Children's Diagnostic and Treatment Center is a non-profit center for disadvantaged high-risk and handicapped infants and children living in Broward County.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Office Duties
- Lobby Reading Program
- Donations/Pantry Assistance

### **Children's Harbor, Inc.**

501 N.W. 103<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Pembroke Pines, FL 33026  
760-7151  
Contact: Dawn Murry

Children's Harbor serves abused and neglected children.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- General Office Duties
- Mailings

**City of Coral Springs**

9551 West Sample Road  
Coral Springs, FL 33065  
346-4430

Contact: Kim Sanecki

The City of Coral Springs Volunteer Services Program exists to encourage citizens to participate in local government through volunteerism to improve the quality of services provided in Coral Springs.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

- Special Events
- Clerical Duties
- Parks and Recreation Activities
- Neighborhood Cleanup
- Park Beautification, etc.

**Coastal Kids Respite Care**

Broward Children's Center  
200 S.E. 19<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Pompano Beach, FL 33060  
782-0435 or 784-0834  
Contact: Linda Sachs

Coastal Kids Respite Care provides a break to parents of special needs children.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

- Assist with Special Events  
- resource fair, picnic, etc.

**Coral Springs Jaycees**

P.O. Box 8392  
Coral Springs, FL 33075  
731-1330

Contact: Jon Lederman

The Coral Springs Jaycees is an organization dedicated to making the community a better place by providing leadership training through community service. The Jaycees program is designed to assist teenagers in gaining a sense of community pride while learning valuable leadership and life skills.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

- Assist with the Annual Thanksgiving baskets for needy families
- Annual Children's Shopping Spree for disadvantaged youth
- Fundraising projects for local charities
- Assist with meetings and other projects

**Coral Springs Nature Center and Wildlife Hospital, Inc.  
(now known as: Sawgrass Nature Center and Wildlife Hospital, Inc.)**

3916 N.W. 73<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Coral Springs, FL 33065  
752-7732

Contact: Joan Kohl

The Nature Center and Wildlife Hospital, Inc. is an all volunteer organization, which is currently under construction in Coral Springs. The learning center will provide environmental education to children and adults. The hospital will care for injured and orphaned wild birds, mammals and reptiles.

**Coral Springs Nature Center and Wildlife Hospital, Inc. (continued)**

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Fund Raising
- Community Outreach
- Caring for Wildlife
- Landscaping and Habitat Construction

**Cystic Fibrosis Foundation**

3443 N.W. 55<sup>th</sup> Street, Building 7

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309

739-5006

Contact: Debbie Barnard

The goal of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation is to find a cure for CF. The challenge is to raise the dollars to fund landmark research which will lead to that cure and to make a difference in the lives of those with the disease.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Office Assistance
- Fund Raising Events (golf tournaments, walk-a-thon, etc.)

**D**

**Disability Advocacy and Access Network**

4630 North University Drive

Coral Springs, FL 33067

690-ABLE

Contact: Bob Cohen

The Disability Advocacy and Access Network provides services for people who are disabled.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Fund Raising
- Computer Technical Support
- Education and Awareness Programs

**E**

**Epilepsy Services of Broward, Inc.**

512 N.E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-3236

779-1509

Contact: Cindy Amarin

The epilepsy Foundation serves to disseminate information about the cause of epilepsy, its consequences, and the prevention of the condition, to persons with epilepsy, their families and the public; to assist persons with epilepsy and their families in securing accurate information, diagnosis, neurological treatment, education, support and rehabilitation services.

Volunteer Opportunities:

- Office Assistance/Receptionist
- Special Events
- Librarian

## **F**

### **Florida Department of Children and Families**

1801 W. Sample Road  
Pompano Beach, FL  
954-467-4260

Contact: Suzanne Baker

The Department of Children and Families is the state's social service system, assisting clients in need of supportive services such as welfare/food stamps as well as elderly people in need. Working with child abuse and neglect issues, clients who are developmentally disabled and those that have mental health problems.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- General Office Work
- Work in Food Pantry
- Conduct Food Drives

### **Fort Lauderdale Children's Theatre**

640 N. Andrews Avenue  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311  
763-6882

Contact: Patty Meyers

The Fort Lauderdale Children's Theatre is a 50-year-old not-for-profit, developmental center for the theatre arts, founded in 1952 for the purpose of providing programs and services to youth and adults.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Production of Plays
- Building of Sets
- Summer Camp Interns
- General Clean-up Help

## **H**

### **Habitat for Humanity of Broward County**

3564 N. Ocean Blvd.  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308  
396-3030

Habitat for Humanity is an ecumenical, Christian organization, serving people of all faiths or no faith, dedicated to the elimination of poverty housing. Since its incorporation in 1983, Habitat for Humanity of Broward has build 114 homes. These homes provide over 450 children and adults a safe, decent place to live.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Construction (must be at least 16 years old)
- Office Assistance
- Restore (must be at least 16 years old)

### **H.A.N.D.Y. - Helping Abused, Neglected, Dependent Youth**

101 N.E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301  
523-7080

Contact: Barbara Arnold

H.A.N.D.Y. is dedicated to breaking the cycle of child abuse by helping the abused, neglected, dependent youth of Broward County who are placed in protective custody by the court. H.A.N.D.Y provides emergency funds and network to "fill the cracks" in meeting needs in this area.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Assist with Toy Room
- Work in Clothing Bank
- Sorting, Tagging and Hanging Clothing

**Hospice by the Sea**

1531 W. Palmetto Park Road

Boca Raton, FL 33486-3395

(561) 395-5031

Contact: Mary Jean Houlahan

Hospice by the Sea provides skilled medical care, as well as emotional and spiritual support to patients with a life-limiting illness and their families residing in Broward and Palm Beach Counties.

**Volunteer Opportunities**

(volunteers must be 18 years of age)

- Office Work
- Thrift Shop Volunteer
- Work with Patients

**L****Lighthouse for the Blind**

650 N. Andrews Avenue

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

463-4217

Contact: Nancy Weiser

Lighthouse for the Blind promotes independence and productivity and enhances the quality of life of people who are blind or visually impaired.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

(volunteers must be at least 14 years of age)

- Summer Day Camp – Six Weeks
- After School Program  
Tuesday and Thursdays 3:00 P.M. – 5: 30 P.M.

**Lippman Youth Shelter**221 N.W. 43<sup>rd</sup> Court

Oakland Park, FL 33309-4729

568-2801

Contact: Jennifer Stebbins

Lippman Youth Center is a short-term residential facility for at risk, runaway and homeless youth in Broward County.

**Volunteer Opportunities:**

- General Office Work
- Supervising Youth during Activities/Field Trips
- Repairing Facility – Including Landscaping/Gardening

**Locks of Love**

1640 South Congress Avenue – Suite 104

Palm Springs, FL 33461

(561) 963-1677 or (888) 896-1588

Contact: Jennifer Cox

Locks of Love provides hairpieces for financially disadvantaged Children who suffer from medical hair loss (need at least 10 inches of hair).

**Volunteer Opportunities**

- Hold a Locks of Love Donation Event
- Fund Raising
- Be a Hair Donor

## M

### **March of Dimes**

1001 West Cypress Creek Road – Suite 111  
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33309  
772-2290  
Contact: Linda Landers

The mission of the March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation is to improve the health of babies by preventing birth defects and infant mortality.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Walk America Volunteers
  - qualified drivers to load and drive trucks
  - set up/clean up
  - cook hot dogs
  - registration
  - rest stops
- Star Chefs Gourmet Feast and Auction
  - help set-up/breakdown event
  - bus tables
  - over see auction tables/items (safeguard items)
  - sell drawing prize tickets during event
  - serve as assistant for event coordinators

## O

### **Oakland Park Library**

1298 N.E. 37<sup>th</sup> Street  
Oakland Park, FL 33334  
561-6289  
Contact: Joanne Fischer

The mission of the Oakland Park Library is to enhance the level of service to library patrons with the assistance of student volunteers (16 years of age and older), and to give student volunteers an opportunity to explore careers in the library field.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Circulation Desk
- Youth Services

## P

### **Parents Really Involved in Deaf Education (PRIDE)**

P.O. Box 771121  
Coral Springs, FL 33077  
755-2227 or 721-2017  
Contact: Cindy Hurt or Yvonne Swartz

PRIDE works to promote and educate citizens for a better understanding of the needs of deaf students in terms of education and support.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Fund Raising
- Special Events
- Babysitting

## **S**

### **Safety Town of Coral Springs**

Kiwanis Park

520 Ramblewood Drive

Coral Springs, FL 33071

344-1811

Contact: Mary Boast, Program Coordinator

Safety Town of Coral Springs is a comprehensive safety education program for children ages 4 to 6. It is held June-August at Kiwanis Park in Coral Springs.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Teen Volunteer Instructors for summer program to provide hands-on safety education to young children

### **Seafarers' House**

P.O. Box 13034

Port Everglades, FL 33316

467-7330

The mission of Seafarers' House is to improve the lives of seafarers and their families through ecumenical service.

A variety of services are provided including low cost international phone calls, safe/reliable money remittance, free transportation to and from their ship, Seafarers' House and local shopping, postal services, internet access, counseling, etc.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Assist in store
- Stock Store Shelves
- Building Maintenance/Handy Man Work
- Gardening
- Baking cookies for the seafarers
- Group projects available

## **T**

### **Teen Court**

Court Mediation and Arbitration

1600 W. Hillsboro Blvd. Room 130

Deerfield Beach, FL 33442

831-0457

Contact: Diane Joseph McDonald

Teen Court is a "peer court" program where trained high school student volunteers perform the roles of attorney, clerk, bailiff and juror during sentencing phase hearings for first time misdemeanor juvenile offenders between the ages of 12-17.

#### Volunteer Opportunities:

- Serve as:
  - attorney
  - clerk
  - bailiff
  - juror for teen court