

SUMMER COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES 2012

Belmont Public Library

1. "Teen Tech Tutors" Program, 10-11AM, Mon & Wed., 7/9-8/1. Minimum 2 week commitment.. Work one-on-one with library patrons on topics including Facebook, Photoshop, Ebooks, Pandora/Spotify, & general computer skills. Training sessions at the library on 6/25 02 6/27, 10-noon. Applications available from the Young Adult room, Ms. Melnikoff, or <http://www.belmont.lib.ma.us/teen-center-home> *APPLICATION DUE BY FRIDAY, JUNE 22*

2. Book Shelters: Minimum 10 hour commitment. Flexible scheduling. Training sessions every Thursday in June, 3-4PM. Applications available as above.

Belmont Food Pantry: 1st & 3rd Saturdays, 8:15-9:30AM and 4th Tuesdays, 5-6:30PM. Located in the old Light Dept. Building, next to the police station. Just show up, or contact patricia.mihelich@gmail.com

Belmont Town Clerk's office can use MANY volunteers to help with alphabetizing. M-TH 8-4, F 8-1. Call 617-993-2600 or stop by Town Hall to set a schedule. (Groups of friends are welcome to work together!)

Sustainable Belmont: Work on their website, <http://www.sustainablebelmont.net/> <http://www.sustainablebelmont.net/> The volunteer would have a good grounding in a variety of web technologies and content management systems and be willing to convert the website to Joomla or Word Press. [Contact John Kolterman <john.kolterman@verizon.net>](mailto:John.Kolterman@verizon.net)

Habitat Intergenerational Program (HIP) Pulling Partners welcomes volunteers to drop in on **Wednesdays from 10am – 12pm** over the summer. Projects include trail maintenance, invasive plant removal & meadow/pond area reclamation. Many other service opportunities as well. Check www.massaudubon.com, then click on Habitat & volunteering, or contact Lisa Becker lbecker@massaudubon.org

Belmont Farmers' Market will again be held in the Belmont Center parking lot on **Thursdays from 1:30-7 pm**. Help is needed during market hours as well as for opening (noon to 2) and break down (6 to 8). You could also do a performance, work on the print or e-newsletter, or help with publicity. In addition, check out **leadership opportunities in education, food justice & planning**, etc. in the **attachment to this list**. Contact belmontfarmersmarket@gmail.com

Belmont Acres Farm (site of Sergi Farm): Interested in farming, CSA, livestock, nutrition and healthy lifestyles? Choose **two 4-hour days a week for 4 weeks** and learn while you work. Apply with a letter to Mike Chase about why you are interested; mikeandhermik@juno.com

Belmont S.P.O.R.T. Program runs Special Olympics programs year-round. Volunteers are welcome on a committed basis for sports including cycling (Mon, 6-7 at BHS parking lot; bring a bike and helmet), bocce (Mon., 7-8 at Payson Park), and softball (Tues., 6-7:30, Hittinger St. Field; also Sun., 10-11, Winn Brook Field). Call Sue Weiner, 617-943-4214.

Belmont Manor Nursing Center welcomes students to chat with patients and participate in activities, **ONLY with a commitment of 100 hours**. Call or email Dana Spinney: 617-489-1200. danaspinney@belmontmanor.com

Waltham Crossings is an assisted-living center on Trapelo Rd., Waltham, right at the Rt. 128 on-ramp. Chat with patients, etc. Call Andrea Sbordone, 781-466-9912.

Neville Center (Concord Ave., Cambridge), a nursing and rehab center, welcomes volunteers on a committed basis. (No one-time volunteer slots). Krysten Gaudette, 617-497-0600

Neville Place (Concord Ave., Cambridge), an assisted living center, would love bingo help as well as art interactions with patients. Musical performances are always welcome. Sue Bowdrige, 617-497-8700

Sancta Maria Nursing Facility (Cambridge; health care for older individuals) welcomes volunteers assisting with activities. Jean Citarella, 617-868-2200, x2113

Waltham Fields Community Farm (Beaver St., Waltham) raises produce for soup kitchens and shelters. They need help Tuesdays through Saturdays, from 9-noon; drop in and sign in there. You must arrive promptly at 9. Wear long pants and close-toed shoes; bring water bottle, hat, and sunscreen. www.communityfarms.org

Work in a political campaign—ANY party, ANY office!

Pres: **Barack Obama:** www.barackobama.com, locally, contact Trish Lomar, BelmontDTC@yahoo.com

Mitt Romney: www.mittromney.com, locally: Elizabeth.mahoney@gmail.com, 617-842-5693

Sen: **Scott Brown:** www.scottbrown.com or, locally, Tomi Olson, tomi.olson@gmail.com

Elizabeth Warren: www.elizabethwarren.com, locally, contact Trish Lomar, BelmontDTC@yahoo.com

State Rep: **James Gammill (unenrolled)** www.Votegammill.net, jim@votegammill.net,

Margaret Hegarty (D) Contact director of communications: colindownes@gmail.com or 781-264-3649

Tomi Olson (R) tomi.olson@gmail.com

Bobby Reardon (D) www.bobbyreardon.com, rpreardonjr@gmail.com, 617-484-4422 or 617-548-0255; Facebook

David Rodgers (D) www.rogers4rep.com or contact Alex Wallach (campaign manager): 781-799-7931

East End House (Cambridge) is a multi-service community center with room for volunteers with food pantry, hunger and homelessness, senior outreach and enrichment, children's camp, and childcare. Call Jim, 617-876-4444 or matt@eastendhouse.org

Community Servings (Boston, Jamaica Plain) prepares, packages, and delivers 750 meals each weekday to patients in the Boston area. Their kitchen is open **Monday-Friday, 6AM to 8PM and Saturday, 10-2**. Flexible scheduling, one time or many. You must attend an orientation on a Wednesday at 6PM prior to volunteering. Call Malissa Harmon, 617-522-7777 x228 mharmon@servings.org. www.servings.org

Rosie's Place (Boston, near Boston Medical Center) serves lunch and dinner to women. Their biggest needs are for groups of 5 people (adults and children over age 12) to help serve dinner on a weekday in the summer. A dinner shift is from 4pm to 7:30pm. They also are looking for individual volunteers ages 16 or older to volunteer in the dining room and food pantry. For more information please go to www.rosiesplace.org

Bristol Lodge (Waltham) welcomes volunteers to serve at their soup kitchen, open every day. Contact Mike Hannon: 781-883-2050

HEARTH (ending Elder Homelessness) (Boston) loves high school volunteers They have various residences in JP, Brookline, and Boston.. Call Jennifer Hartwell, 617-369-1565.

American Red Cross: The contact for youth volunteers is Amelia, 617-274-5320.

Samaritans, the suicide prevention hotline, uses teen volunteers at their Boston and Framingham facilities. Nine-month commitment required; 30 hour training provided. MUST BE 15+. You must first attend an orientation session; next o sessions are June 21, July 11, 21, 25. Call Jonathan Grollman, 617-536-2460

Seasons Hospice: Office work in Newton or volunteer with patients (in various towns). Training provided. 1-year commitment. Contact Amanda Bladt at 617-454-0200 or abladt@seasons.org

Wellington Student Care, business interns: 2 interns, Flexible schedule.

Learn our non-profit business, to be able to updates forms, possibly make website updates on our new website, assist in managing contacts, data sheets, and some correspondence for clients, learn or further deepen their knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Powerpoint, etc.) and other administrative tasks. **Timeframe:** For the week of June 17 – 23, the admin staff will be working some mornings and some afternoons, for planning etc. If there is anyone who wants to get started, they can for that week only, cleaning, organizing, and maybe some computer work. Then interns can return in mid-August, or start the internship in the summer.

Contact Mary Jo Peterman, Program Administrator, mj.studentcare@gmail.com.

Belmont Media Center: Volunteers welcome to help on shows (training provided) and for August cleanup. Contact Jeff Hansell, 617-484-2443 or jff@belmontmedia.org

Williams Syndrome Convention: TU-SAT, July 3-7, 8-4:30. Full or half day shifts available. At Sheraton-Boston. MUST BE 16 +.

Child Care-Infant and Toddler programs

School Age (on W, TH, & F, FULL DAY ONLY til 4:30 as this group will go off-site to a day camp.

Teen Companions: MUST BE 18.

Contact: Jennifer O'Byrne, 800-806-1871 or jobyrne@williams-syndrome.org

NOTE: Williams syndrome is a genetic condition causing developmental & cognitive delays as well as enhanced language and music skills, & a love of people. The children are not physically handicapped and are extremely friendly.

Pan Mass Challenge: August 4 &/or 5; Cycle for cancer; choose from many courses, 25-190 mi. with *at least \$500 in fundraising depending on the course.* www.pmc.org Contact Andrea D'Iorio 617-269-7171 andrea@teakmedia.com

Meet Belmont, TU 8/28, is a town-wide information and resource fair that needs limited student help in shifts from 2-9:30 for set up, helping exhibitors, refreshments, and clean up, Also prep work putting out flyers) needed early to mid August. *You must sign up via email in order to volunteer as slots are very limited.* Contact Jennifer Page, meetbelmont@gmail.com

FOR FALL—It's not too early to start contacting hospitals and the Museum of Science

Hospitals welcome volunteers to assist on a regular basis in various departments. Each hospital has its own application procedure, including an interview, TB test, and orientation sessions. Summer spots are filled, but it is not too early to check in for the fall. At any hospital, call the Volunteer Coordinator. Here are a few contacts:

Mt. Auburn: Jan Ankerson, 617-492-3500

Newton-Wellesley: Lauren Lele, 617-243-6048

Boston Medical Center: Dotty Keosaian, 617-414-3652

Beth Israel: Terry Morgan, 617-667-3026

St. Elizabeth's: Jacqueline Haley, 617-789-2334 (must be 16)

Winchester: Paulette Van der Kloot, 781-756-2626 (summer program full...plan for next year!)

Museum of Science uses volunteers in activities, exhibits, and programs. Call 617-589-0380 and visit the website: www.mos.org and click on "support MOS" and then "volunteering"

HOW TO FIND A PLACE TO VOLUNTEER

www.volunteermatch.org , www.helping.org, www.teenlifeboston.com, www.bostoncares.org and www.mass.gov/connectandserve

are five websites which allow you to locate current volunteer opportunities.

PLEASE NOTE: In order to receive credit for service you perform, you must turn in a fully completed verification form (available in Social Studies and Guidance or online). This holds true for all service, even if your supervisor has given Ms. Melnikoff your name and even if she is your supervisor. NO FORM, NO CREDIT, NO EXCEPTIONS!

Summer service counts toward next year's presidential awards (100 hour minimum, 5/1/12-4/30/13; forms due 5/2/13).