

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FOR TEENS

Prepared by the Librarians at the Parsippany Troy Hills Public Library



Interested in getting involved? The following is a list of volunteer opportunities for teens. These are local organizations within driving distance. Also listed are some online resources that teens and parents can use to find volunteer opportunities based on interest and location.

## **Bridges Outreach, Summit**

**Bridges provides food, clothing and other necessities to the homeless in Newark, Irvington, and Summit. High School students can join The Bridges Teens Tackle Homelessness Committee.**

W: <http://www.bridgesoutreach.org/>

E: [volunteerbridges@gmail.com](mailto:volunteerbridges@gmail.com)

P: 908-273-0176

## **Color A Smile, Morristown**

**"Color cheerful drawings for senior citizens, troops overseas, & anyone else in need of a smile."**

W: <http://colorasmile.org/>

E: [info@colorasmile.org](mailto:info@colorasmile.org)

P: 973-540-9222

## **Community Soup Kitchen & Outreach Center Inc., Morristown**

**The Center provides warm meals free of charge to anyone seeking nourishment. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders are encouraged to join the Youth Council.**

W: <http://www.cskmorristown.com/>

E: [Volunteer@CSKMorristown.org](mailto:Volunteer@CSKMorristown.org)

P: 973-267-0709

## **Interfaith Food Pantry, Morris Plains**

**Provides food to Morris County residents in need.**

W: <http://mcifp.org/>

E: [interfaithfoodpantry@mcifp.org](mailto:interfaithfoodpantry@mcifp.org)

P: 973-538-8049

## **Morris County Park Commission, Multiple locations**

**There are many different volunteer opportunities within the Morris County Park Commission.**

W: <http://morrissparks.net/index.php/commission/volunteer/>

P: 973-326-7600

## **Morris Habitat for Humanity, Randolph**

**Students ages 12-18 can join Youth United for fundraising and leadership opportunities.**

W: <http://www.morrishabitat.org/volunteer/youth-and-young-adults>

P: 973-891-1934

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### **Mt. Pleasant Animal Shelter, E. Hanover**

The perfect volunteer opportunity for animal lovers! The Volunteer Program consists of Junior Volunteers (ages 10-15) and volunteer options for ages 16 and up.

W: <http://njshelter.org/volunteer/>

E: [info@njshelter.org](mailto:info@njshelter.org)

P: (973) 386-0590

### **Red Cross, Multiple locations**

The American Red Cross youth programs provide young adults with meaningful opportunities to learn and to serve their communities. Students ages 13-17 must fill out the New Jersey Region Youth Volunteer Application.

Fairfield Chapter: (973) 797-3300

Summit Chapter: (908) 273-2076

E: <http://www.redcross.org/local/nj/volunteer>

### **Reeves-Reed Arboretum, Summit**

Ground Force volunteering for students 14 and up who love being outdoors. Volunteers ages 12-13 are welcome, but must be accompanied by an adult.

W: <https://www.reeves-reedarboretum.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

E: [l.martin@reeves-reedarboretum.org](mailto:l.martin@reeves-reedarboretum.org)

P: 908-273-8787 ext. 1313

### **Saint Clare's Health System, Denville**

Volunteers are matched with different opportunities based on interest and the hospitals' needs.

W: <http://www.saintclares.com/About-Saint-Clares/Volunteer-Services.aspx>

P: 973-625-6010

### **United Way of Morris County, Morristown**

Provides volunteer opportunities for youth in Northern New Jersey.

W: <http://unitedwaynj.org/volunteer/volunteer.php>

P: 973-993-1160

#### **Online resources to help connect you with your next volunteer opportunity:**

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

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

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

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

[www.serve.gov](http://www.serve.gov)

#### **You can also contact:**

- The religious organization you and/or your family is affiliated with
- Local political campaigns
- Local animal shelters and senior centers

**\*\*Don't forget! You can ask a librarian for additional help.\*\***