Student Volunteer Opportunities for the 2021-2022 Academic Year

During the 2021-2022 academic year, MC students may participate in virtual or in-person service-learning. Students may NOT be required to participate in in-person service-learning for academic success. Students seeking service-learning to meet a course requirement must reach out before mid-terms for help finding a placement.

For support identifying a particular service-learning opportunity, contact Hannah.Stocks@montgomerycollege.edu.

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Local IN-PERSON Volunteer Opportunities

- The Civic Circle is seeking student volunteers to speak to elementary students about civic engagement, to create and/or perform music related to the “steps to democracy,” to support elementary student programs and/or to create social media content for The Civic Circle. Contact ecarney@theciviccircle.org.
- Elite Soccer Youth Development Academy (E.S.Y.D.A.) is seeking volunteer soccer coaches in Montgomery & Prince George’s Counties. Visit the volunteer page for more information.
- Become a Volunteer Certified Tax Counselor with AARP Tax Aide Foundation! Intensive training offered during January 2022 including study materials and access to loaner computers. Students must pass certification by January 25th to volunteer at community-based locations across the county from February 1 – April 15, 2022 (tax season!) Contact montgomerycountytaxaide@gmail.com for more information.
- Investigate consumer issues and produce a final report to be distributed to the community with the Montgomery County Office of Consumer Protection. Contact tracy.rezvani@montgomerycountymd.gov.
- Volunteers are needed for the following SKILLED roles at Mercy Health Clinic: Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, Registered Nurses, Medical Assistants, Pharmacists, Administrative Assistants, Interpreters (Spanish), and Scribes. Contact volunteer.coordinator@mercyhealthclinic.org.
- Montgomery Parks is seeking volunteers for park cleanups, trail workdays and non-native or invasive species removals. We also get support for our one-day events, including Nature Center Environmental Days, Brookside Garden Events and many Festivals. Longer-term opportunities include Nature Center host, Naturalist Aide, Archaeologist Crew Member, and other roles. Contact Lynn.Vismara@MontgomeryParks.org or visit www.ParksVolunteers.org.
- The Law Enforcement Apprenticeship Program (L.E.A.P.) at the Montgomery County Police Department is seeking volunteer interns for 8 hours/week for a full semester. Interns work side-by-side, supporting line officers, command staff, and civilian employees. Apply at: https://www.montgomerycountymd.gov/pol/jobs/volunteer-intern.html
- Create media content, be part of a studio production crew or field shoot as a multi-media production volunteer with Montgomery Community Media. Volunteers create short PSAs, help with the production of shows and meet general media needs. Contact ece@mymcmedia.org.
• Gaithersburg HELP is seeking transportation drivers, transportation schedulers, food/infant coordinators, food baggers, food drivers, milk delivery schedulers and bilingual (English-Spanish) coordinators. Most roles require that volunteers are at least 18 years old. Apply at [http://www.gaithersburghelp.org/give-help/volunteer-application/](http://www.gaithersburghelp.org/give-help/volunteer-application/) or contact volunteer@gaithersburghelp.org

• Great and Small provides Equine Assisted Activities and Therapies (EAAT) to people of all ages with a wide range of special needs in Boyds, MD. Volunteers participate in lessons and interact with horses, riders, instructors, and other volunteers. They may help care for horses. Volunteers may also support accounting, photography, web design, marketing, fundraising, writing, etc. Learn more at [www.greatandsmallride.org](http://www.greatandsmallride.org)

• ArtStream is an inclusive theatre that works with adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. ArtStream welcomes volunteers for one-time and ongoing opportunities in drama and social skills classes, Inclusive Theatre Companies, special events and in the office. Volunteers must apply and commit to serving at least 10 hours of service to ArtStream. Please contact volunteer@art-stream.org for more information.

• Support Icla Cares Patient Support Program by raising funds for patients going through blood cancer treatment. Funds raised will assist patients with out-of-pocket expenses not covered by insurance such as transportation, meals, housing, co-pays, etc. Our team will work with you virtually and in person to create awareness and develop activities to raise this needed support. Contact us at [info@icla.org](mailto:info@icla.org)

• Community Reach of Montgomery County is continually seeking WRITER/EDITOR/INVESTIGATORS to build out a procedures manual, CLIENT INTAKE COORDINATORS for Rockville Emergency Assistance Program (REAP) for four-hour shift weekly during business hours (ideally from 9:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.) to help Rockville residents facing eviction, MEMBERS OF REACH COMMITTEES including Development, Finance, Faith Advisory, Governance and short term committees. Contact AndreaKWink@CMRocks.org , 301-637-0172.

• The Montgomery County Volunteer Center is seeking help staffing fairs in the community to promote the Volunteer Center and its volunteer opportunities. Contact amy.harbison@montgomerycountymd.gov

• Red Wiggler Community Farm is looking for community farmers! Tasks may include transplanting, harvesting, weeding, watering, pest management, and more. As a volunteer you have an opportunity to be a partner to a Grower (our employees with developmental/intellectual disabilities), learn about sustainable and organic farming methods, and join our inclusive community. Most field volunteer opportunities are M-F, 9 am - 12 pm, and MWF 1 pm - 3:30 pm. Email volunteer@redwiggler.org.

• Learn more about historical research, how to read handwritten letters, and archiving at our 1920s Historical Bank building. Transcribe or help to conduct oral histories. Commitment is one 2-3 hour shift per week for several weeks. Training provided on site. Learn more at [www.germantownmdhistory.org](http://www.germantownmdhistory.org) or contact info@germantownmdhistory.org

• Make a positive impact on girls in 3rd-8th grade in Montgomery County by coaching for Girls on the Run. No running experience is necessary and all athletic abilities are welcome. GOTR is a positive youth development program that addresses the whole girl to encourage healthy habits and relationships. Co-coach a team of 10-20 girls with other volunteer coaches for our fall 2021 season starting the week of Sept 13th and culminating with our GOTR MoCo 5K on Nov 21st at Westfield Montgomery Mall. The spring season is April – May. Coaches must attend at least one practice per week (1.5hrs) for the full 10-week season. Apply at: [https://www.raceplanner.com/volunteer/index/gotr-moco-coach-application](https://www.raceplanner.com/volunteer/index/gotr-moco-coach-application)

• Help to furnish homes with A Wider Circle! Volunteers sort smaller items in our center and packing them up for the families we serve. AWC furnishes 10-15 homes per day! All CDC recommendations are followed to ensure we “do good”, while keeping our community healthy. Volunteers are asked to social distance,
wear masks, follow good hand hygiene practices, and complete a health questionnaire before each engagement. Email volunteer@awidercircle.org

- Become a volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians and Firefighters in Montgomery County OR volunteer as administrative and auxiliary personnel. Training, uniforms and other benefits are provided. Contact us at recruiter@joinfirerescue.com and apply at https://www.joinfirerescue.com/appstart/
- Manna Food Bank is seeking volunteers to sort and pack fresh, frozen, and nonperishable food at our Gaithersburg warehouse. This is a physical task that required bending, reaching, and lifting up to 25 lbs. Most shifts take place during the work day. Contact katie@mannafood.org.
- Holy Cross Hospital in Germantown is seeking gift shop volunteers. Apply at www.holycrosshealth.org/volunteering or email Sarah.Walker001@holycrosshealth.org
- Support Housing Opportunity Commission’s youth academic year and summer programming to include providing general assistance during special events. (Ex. Tutoring, Facilitating virtual small group activities) Training will be provided. All volunteer opportunities will be listed on our website at www.hocmc.org.
- The Germantown Historical Society is creating a Museum of Banking History in their 1922 historic Bank Building. Several boxes of bank records and personal letters from 1924-1932 are onsite and volunteers are needed to enter this material into the PastPerfect Museum software using onsite computers. We also need volunteers to look up the bank employees and customers in census records and on-line newspapers and to conduct oral histories with more recent bank customers. Training will be provided. Email soderberg@md.net
- The Conflict Resolution Center of Montgomery County is looking for volunteers to assist with in-person conflict resolution workshops provided to middle and high-school students. If interested, please contact ben@crcmc.org.
- Generation Hope surrounds motivated teen parents and their children with the mentors, emotional support, and financial resources that they need to thrive in college and kindergarten, thereby driving a two-generation solution to poverty. Host an item collection drive for our Scholars and their children such as toys, books, school supplies, diapers, cleaning supplies, and other necessities. Contact: sanah@generationhope.org
- The Menare Foundation, Inc. is dedicated to the preservation of Underground Railroad history and to the creation of vibrant educational programs. Menare’s historic Button Farm is a living history center depicting 19th century plantation life. Volunteers are needed to assist with social media, outreach content research for the website. Contact menarevolunteer@gmail.com
- The TESS Center is seeking a Community Service Aide Assistant to sit at the front desk and greet visitors, answer phones, distribute information and provide administrative assistance. Additionally, a Senior Social Program Coordinator will support Senior Social Program by planning monthly events and session such as networking, guest speakers, arts & crafts, music, and other activities. Proficiency in Spanish and/or Amharic is required for both roles. Contact maureen.larenas@montgomerycountymd.gov
- The Animal Welfare League needs volunteers for cat crew and/or to serve on a committee. Apply at www.awlmc.org.
- For additional volunteer opportunities, visit the Montgomery County Volunteer Center website

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Local VIRTUAL Volunteer Opportunities
• The Conflict Resolution Center of Montgomery County is looking for marketing interns and social media content developers to help with advertising available services to a broader range of the population. This can be performed virtually or in-person. Contact ben@crcmc.org.

• Peace Jam is an international education organization that connects youth with Nobel Peace Prize winners. Eight MC student volunteers will be trained to facilitate dialogue and mentor high school students enrolled in the program. MC students will gain knowledge on social justice issues, peace-building, conflict resolution, and creating community change. Students must commit to 2 hours/week from October through April. Learn more here and apply by mid-September at here.

• STEMCX is looking for virtual homework helpers in the areas of math and science to offer two homework sessions per week with 2-3 students per session. Appropriate candidates will have a zoom interview with our board and complete a background check. Study material and curricula guides are provided and student volunteers may specify which middle or high school grade they are comfortable supporting. The organization provides free tutoring to Baltimore area middle and high school students. Learn more at www.stemcx.com and email stemcx@gmail.com

• Rukundo International is looking for volunteers in the areas of Development/Fundraising, Communications, International Development, and General Administrative support. Most work can be completed virtually and scheduled at your convenience. Email us at recruiting@rukundointernational.org for more information.

• Support The Boys Initiative. For more information, visit https://www.theboysinitiative.org/join-us.

• Button Living History Museum is seeking volunteer Social Media Coordinator, Media Outreach Coordinator and a Fundraising/Philanthropy Coordinator. Contact Cheryl at menarevolunteer@gmail.com

• Living Independently for Everyone, Inc. is seeking program assistants for fundraising, budget, research and community outreach. Flexible schedule. Contact denise.thomas@life-mdinc.org

• ArtStream, Inc is seeking a class mentor to assist actors with disabilities one-on-one to learn new performing arts skills as well as video production support. Contact Sarah at s.sandifer@art-stream.org

• The Germantown Historical Society is seeking a video editor to update several 5 minute videos. At least basic video editing skills required. Contact Susan Soderber at info@germantownmdhistory.org

• Asian American Lead is looking for an Educational Empowerment Advisor to support middle & high school youth in homework and activities and a Volunteer College Preparation Advisor to research and organize scholarship opportunities & support youth completing scholarship essays and applications. All opportunities require 1 hour/week for 3 months on M-Th afternoons. Contact ynguyen@aalead.org

• Coach a group of girls virtually with Girls on the Run for 3 hours per week. https://www.raceplanner.com/volunteer/index/gotr-moco-coach-application

• Be a virtual Intake Coordinator Volunteer at Community Reach of Montgomery County for the same 4 hour shift each week, M-F 9am – 1pm OR 1pm – 5pm. Contact AndreaKWink@CMRocks.org

• Support Alice Ferguson Foundation by hosting an environmental clean-up or gathering contact information about Maryland Schools. Contact tcullen@fergusonfoundation.org

• Be a volunteer operations manager or at Celestial Manna for 5-10 hours/week. Contact Winfield@celestialmanna.com

• Be an event/fundraising assistant at Celestial Manna for 10-15 hours/week. Contact Debi@celestialmanna.org

• Become an observer and reporter for League of Women Voters by observing and watching Montgomery County Council meetings. Contact judycochran12@yahoo.com

• Be a transportation scheduler 1 week/month with Gaithersburg HELP. Contact william.clements@gaithersburghelp.org

• Be a guest speaker with elementary students through The Civic Circle. Share how you participate in your community! (Student government, student journalism, service-learning, volunteering, or other!) Training provided. Three hour commitment per visit. Contact ecarney@theciviccircle.org
• Virtual intern with International Rescue Committee to support refugee resettlement in Maryland. [https://rescue.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/1/home?c=rescue](https://rescue.csod.com/ux/ats/careersite/1/home?c=rescue) (Narrow by Job Location)
• Jewish Council for the Aging is seeking bi-lingual (Spanish-English) tutors to practice reading with elementary students for 2 hours/week. Contact [Idingledine@accessJCA.org](mailto:Idingledine@accessJCA.org)
• Participate in Share from a Distance and exchange letters from seniors while learning about the challenges they face. Contact [Idingledine@accessJCA.org](mailto:Idingledine@accessJCA.org)
• Virtual Tutoring for Area Refugee Youth with Lutheran Social Services: [https://montgomerycountymd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=539688](https://montgomerycountymd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=539688)
• Leave poetry feedback on the Free Minds Book Club blog for youth incarcerated as adults who are participating in book and writing clubs [https://freemindsbookclub.org/poetry-blog](https://freemindsbookclub.org/poetry-blog) Watch these videos to learn more about how to comment: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LdWV9sHGw7U&t=17s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LdWV9sHGw7U&t=17s)
• Become a Friendly Caller with Meals on Wheels: [https://montgomerycountymd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=515054](https://montgomerycountymd.galaxydigital.com/need/detail/?need_id=515054)

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**National/International VIRTUAL Volunteer Opportunities**

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• Help Doctors Without Borders and Missing Maps: [https://www.missingmaps.org/learn/](https://www.missingmaps.org/learn/) Learn how to use OpenStreet mapping software to map some of the world’s most vulnerable places and support NGOs and individuals using the maps and data to better respond to local crises. Once you’ve completed tutorials, search for projects in the Task Manager: [https://tasks.hotosm.org/](https://tasks.hotosm.org/)
• Apply to help translate documents, if you have another language skill, with Translators Without Borders [https://translatorswithoutborders.org/volunteer/](https://translatorswithoutborders.org/volunteer/)
• Volunteer to assist people who are blind or visually impaired [https://www.bemyeyes.com/](https://www.bemyeyes.com/)
• Get matched with someone over 60 to exchange mutually encouraging notes and messages: [https://empoweringtheages.org/sharing-smiles/](https://empoweringtheages.org/sharing-smiles/)
• Record audio books for books and materials created prior to 1923 [https://librivox.org/pages/volunteer-for-librivox/](https://librivox.org/pages/volunteer-for-librivox/)
• Become a volunteer listener [https://www.7cups.com/listen/become-a-volunteer-listener.php](https://www.7cups.com/listen/become-a-volunteer-listener.php)
• Volunteer with the Zooniverse doing scientific research online [https://www.zooniverse.org/get-involved](https://www.zooniverse.org/get-involved)
• Help proofread free online books with Project Gutenberg: [https://www.pgdp.net/c/](https://www.pgdp.net/c/)
• Become a Crisis Text Mental Health Volunteer. This is a long-term commitment (200 hours, 4 hours/week, so basically a year), but if you’re interested in Mental Health, it would be a GREAT experience [https://www.crisistextline.org/volunteer/](https://www.crisistextline.org/volunteer/)
• Translate documents for the Smithsonian [https://transcription.si.edu/](https://transcription.si.edu/)
• Help the National Park Service test their web applications [https://www.nps.gov/subjects/digital/getinvolved.htm](https://www.nps.gov/subjects/digital/getinvolved.htm)
• Help researchers study cyclones [https://www.cyclonecenter.org/#/about](https://www.cyclonecenter.org/#/about)
• Sign up for a virtual service program with Connect and Care. Most programs run 1-12 months. [https://www.connectandcare.org/](https://www.connectandcare.org/)
• Help get out the vote with Reclaim our Vote: [https://www.votinginformation.org/rovphonebankcentral](https://www.votinginformation.org/rovphonebankcentral)
• Senior Homies – Swap Stories with Senior Citizens: [https://www.dosomething.org/us/campaigns/senior-homies](https://www.dosomething.org/us/campaigns/senior-homies)
• Raise health awareness and support for seniors, PPE & ventilators with Health 4 the World: [https://www.health4theworld.org/get-involved/](https://www.health4theworld.org/get-involved/)
• Raise awareness, tele-play or fundraise for Project Sunshine: [https://projectsunshine.org/individualremotevolunteering/](https://projectsunshine.org/individualremotevolunteering/)

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**Compiled Lists of VIRTUAL Service-Learning Opportunities**

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- Local requests posted on the [Montgomery County Volunteer Center Virtual Volunteer Needs](https://www.pointsoflight.org/virtual-volunteering-opportunities/).
  - Filter for “Virtual Volunteer” to limit your search to virtual and remote opportunities
- National and global requests compiled by the Points of Light Foundation: [https://www.pointsoflight.org/virtual-volunteering-opportunities/](https://www.pointsoflight.org/virtual-volunteering-opportunities/)
- Youth Serve America Virtual Opportunities: [http://ysa.org/covid/](http://ysa.org/covid/)
- Break Away Virtual Opportunities: [https://alternativebreaks.org/trainings/calendar/virtual-service-opportunities/](https://alternativebreaks.org/trainings/calendar/virtual-service-opportunities/)
- United Way Volunteer Opportunities: [https://www.unitedway.org/get-involved/volunteer](https://www.unitedway.org/get-involved/volunteer)