Santa Monica has a wealth of nonprofit and human service agencies, most of which need volunteers. You can work in an established volunteer role, or if you have a special interest or skill, there is most likely an agency that would welcome your talents.
American Red Cross

1450 11th Street
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 394–3773
WEB: http://www.redcrossofsantamonica.org
EMAIL: vol@redcrossofsantamonica.org

Brief description of services provided:
Health and Safety education/training; disaster preparedness and assistance; youth program.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
First aid and CPR instructors; public speakers; disaster team members; fund-raising; first aid station team members; staff community information booths.

Type of training/orientation:
Live Scan background checks; overall Red Cross orientation; train in areas requested.

Length of Commitment:
Depends on job.

Assistance League of Santa Monica

1453 15th Street
Santa Monica, CA. 90404
TEL: (310) 395-2338
WEB: https://www.assistanceleague.org/santa-monica/
EMAIL: info@assistanceleague-sm.org

Brief description of services provided:
College scholarships; summer camp; dental and vision support; school supplies for needy students; emergency clothing, for use when required at school; bears for trauma victims and educational puppet shows.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Serve in thrift shop; attend special events; puppeteers

Type of training/orientation:
On-the-job.

Length of Commitment:
Varies.

Boys & Girls Club of Santa Monica

1238 Lincoln Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 394-2582
WEB: www.smbgc.org

Brief description of services provided:
Youth development and guidance agency for boys and girls between the ages of 7-18 years. The Club offers programs that foster Character and Leadership Development; Education and Career Development; Health and Life Skills; Arts; Sports; Fitness and Recreation.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteers are involved in tutoring, mentoring and coaching.

Type of training/orientation:
Call to see if openings exist. A volunteer application must be filled out. Applications are available online or in the office. An interview must be completed and a mandatory background check is required prior to volunteering.

Length of Commitment:
At least 3 month commitment required.

Beauty Bus Foundation

2617 Ocean Park Blvd., Suite 1062
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (310) 392-0900
WEB: www.beautybus.org
EMAIL: marie@beautybus.org

Brief description of services provided:
Beauty Bus provides in-home services to individuals who are otherwise unable to access a salon or spa due to a debilitating disease or condition.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Beauty professionals (18+) who can provide haircuts, manicures or facials to clients; Beauty Buddies (18+) who provide companionship to our clients, accompanying a licensed beauty professional to make the visit; Beauty Ambassador help in the office, at events and fundraising activities. Any age accepted; two references required.

Type of training/orientation:
Mandatory 3-hour training.

Length of Commitment:
At least once a month, 2-3 hours a visit for 12 months. Ambassadors must commit to at least 6 months.
**California Heritage Museum**

2612 Main Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90405  
**TEL:** (310) 392-8537  
**WEB:** californiaheritagemuseum.org  
**EMAIL:** calmuseum@earthlink.net

**Brief description of services provided:**
To present displays of American decorative and fine art and to promote acquiring and collection of art pieces.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Act as museum guide; work in gift shop; assist at special events and support and assist museum staff.

**Type of training/orientation:**
On-the-job.

**Length of Commitment:**
8-10 hours per month.

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**California Lawyers for the Arts**

1641 18th Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90404  
**TEL:** (310) 998-5590  
**WEB:** www.calawyersforthearts.org  
**EMAIL:** losangeles@calawyerforthearts.org

**Brief description of services provided:**
Lawyer referral service, Arts Arbitration and Mediation Services and Legal Education Programs.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Intern and volunteer positions available to assist Lawyer Referral Service Program Director with case intake and referral. Interns and volunteers also help with planning our educational programs.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Ongoing training

**Length of Commitment:**
Varies.

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**Chrysalis**

1238 Lincoln Blvd.  
Santa Monica, CA 90401  
**TEL:** (310) 394-2582  
**WEB:** www.smbgc.org

**Brief description of services provided:**
A nonprofit organization dedicated to helping economically disadvantaged and homeless individuals become self-sufficient through employment opportunities.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Volunteers help to educate and empower our job seeking clients. Candidates can teach/facilitate job preparation classes, create resumes with our clients by working with them one-on-one, conduct interviews, and assist clients with computer use and GED prep.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Orientation and “shadowing” for certain positions.

**Length of Commitment:**
A commitment of four months minimum during regular business hours, Monday thru Thursday 8am - 4pm, and Friday 8am -12pm. Some evening and weekend opportunities.

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**City of Santa Monica Animal Shelter**

1640 9th Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90404  
**TEL:** (310) 458-8594  
**WEB:** http://www.santamonicapd.org/Content.aspx?id=51285  
**EMAIL:** shelter.mailbox@smgov.net

**Brief description of services provided:**
Full-service animal shelter for unclaimed animals. The shelter houses both stray and owner-surrendered animals; including dogs, cats, rabbits, and an occasional bird or reptile.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Volunteers assist with hands-on roles assisting with shelter maintenance, cleaning kennels, watering, feeding, some interaction with animals. Volunteers can also help with writing bios for shelter animals as a part of the online adoption campaign.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Schedule an appointment with the volunteer coordinator, then attend a Saturday morning hands-on training about cleaning and animal handling, behavior techniques, shelter policies and services. All volunteers 18+ must clear a background check.

**Length of Commitment:**
Flexible.
City of Santa Monica CREST Program

1133 7th Street (Reed Park)
Santa Monica, CA 90403
TEL: (310) 458-8540
WEB: www.facebook.com/SMYouthPrograms
EMAIL: crest@smgov.net

Brief description of services provided: Offers after-school childcare, enrichment classes and youth sports in Santa Monica’s public elementary and middle schools. During the school breaks, CREST runs two youth camps, Camp Santa Monica and Sports Experience.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteers can work support to administrative staff in the Youth office, tutor, lead an enrichment or art class in the childcare program or assist coaches in youth sports.

Type of training/orientation:
All volunteers 18+ must clear a background check.

Length of Commitment:
Depends on position.

CLARE Foundation

909 Pico Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (310) 314-6200
WEB: www.clarefoundation.org
EMAIL: info@clarefoundation.org

Brief description of services provided:
The CLARE Foundation is a nonprofit organization providing compassionate treatment and recovery services for alcoholism and substance abuse to individuals, families, and the community.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
A broad variety of positions include assisting program managers in any of our 10 departments, tutoring, holding mock interviews with clients for job training, babysitting, childcare.

Type of training/orientation:
Interview with volunteer coordinator; on-the-job training with supervisor.

Length of Commitment:
2 month minimum.

Common Ground:
Westside HIV Community Center

2401 Lincoln Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (310) 314-5480
WEB: http://commongroundhiv.org

Brief description of services provided:
Case management for Westside residents living with HIV/AIDS. Drop-in services for homeless youth. Community and teen education. Various outreach for prevention and harm resolution. Referrals to community resources.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Administrative support to all departments, front desk, street outreach, educational workshops, facility maintenance, community booths, special events, fundraising and marketing.

Type of training/orientation:
Mandatory training session.

Length of Commitment:
Varies by position.

Community Corporation of S.M.

1423 2nd Street, Suite B
Santa Monica, CA 90404
TEL: (310) 394-8487
WEB: www.communitycorp.org
EMAIL: ccsm_info@communitycorp.org

Brief description of services provided:
Community Corporation of Santa Monica is a nonprofit organization that provides affordable housing in the City of Santa Monica. The Resident Services Department organizes and facilitates programs, workshops and presentations that are intended to improve the quality of life for the people who reside in their housing.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
After-school Tutors; Computer Skills Instructors; Marketing / Outreach Specialist; Resident Services Administrative Volunteers; Career Development Specialists; Fitness Instructors and Nutritionists are needed.

Type of training/orientation:
1 hour orientation.

Length of Commitment:
Depends on volunteer position.
Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

333 Olympic Drive 2nd Floor/EOC
Santa Monica, CA. 90401
TEL: (310) 458-2263
WEB: http://www.smgov.net/cert/
EMAIL: OEM@smgov.net

Brief description of services provided:
CERT is a community based group of volunteers that assist family, friends, neighbors, and community in small or large scale incidents and events.

Brief overview of volunteer position:
City-wide emergency or disaster support, first aid and information stations at the Los Angeles Marathon, or assist in Public Safety trainings, exercises, and incidents as needed.

Type of training/orientation:
Mandatory three consecutive 6 hour sessions of a federally recognized training taught by local Public Safety Personnel and First Responders. Must live or work in Santa Monica. 18+.

Length of Commitment:
Flexible.

Connections for Children

2701 Ocean Park Blvd., #253
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (310) 452-3325
WEB: www.cfc-ca.org
EMAIL: lisad@fcf-ca.org

Brief description of services provided:
Connections For Children (CFC) connects families with childcare resources; provides case-management services for low-income families; provides a variety of programs and services for child care providers including individualized mentoring and coaching; training and workshops; Resource Library and Toy Loan Program.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Event assistance, particularly with the holiday gift program; office support. People with experience in social media are needed.

Type of training/orientation:
Agency overview and position specific duties.

Length of Commitment:
Depends on position.

Find the Children

2656 29th Street, Ste. 203
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (888) 314-3213
WEB: www.findthechildren.com
EMAIL: kidintuition@earthlink.net

Brief description of services provided:
Find the Children is a nonprofit organization dedicated to the recovery of missing children and to the prevention of abused and endangered children. This organization provides reunification therapy to recovered children and their left-behind families.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteers distribute flyers distribution, administrative help, and/or attending and disseminating information at community events. Occasional office work.

Type of training/orientation:
Orientation and on-the-job-training.

Length of Commitment:
Varies.

Farmers Market,
City of Santa Monica

1901 Main Street, Suite F
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (310) 458-8712
WEB: www.smgov.net/farmersmarket
EMAIL: Jodi.low@smgov.net

Brief description of services provided:
The Santa Monica Farmers Markets are committed to promoting healthy eating and sustainable agriculture in California by providing fresh agricultural products from small farms to urban customers, thereby building community and preserving California farmland.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteers are needed to staff the information booth at the Wednesday 3rd Street; Saturday Pico and Sunday Main Street markets. Occasional event assistance. 18+

Type of training/orientation:
Candidates 18+ must clear a live scan background check; training provided by market coordinator.

Length of Commitment:
2-hour minimum shifts, flexible days and times; sign-ups online. Volunteers must be able to commit to at least six hours a month, for at least six months.
**Heal The Bay**

1444 9th Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90401  
TEL: (310) 451-1500  
WEB: www.healthebay.org

**Brief description of services provided:**
Our mission is to make Southern California waters and watersheds, including the Santa Monica Bay, safe, healthy and clean. We use research, education, community action, and advocacy to pursue this mission.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Beach cleanups, beach captains for Coastal Cleanups; Malibu Creek Restoration; Speakers Bureau; office volunteers and community outreach.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Orientations are on the 2nd Monday of every month from 7:00pm – 9:00pm.

**Length of Commitment:**
Varies.

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**Heal The Bay: Santa Monica Aquarium**

1600 Oceanfront Walk  
Santa Monica, CA 90401  
TEL: (310) 310-393-6149 x114  
WEB: www.healthebay.org

**Brief description of services provided:**
As Heal the Bay's marine science educational facility, our vision is to inspire understanding and conversation of the Santa Monica Bay and our watersheds through hands-on education, stewardship and discovery.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Volunteers work with the education department during marine education field trips both in the facility and on the beach, or as volunteers during public hours, interacting with Aquarium visitors.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Our orientations are held three times a year.

**Length of Commitment:**
Varies.

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**Hospice, Wilshire**

3250 Ocean Park Blvd., Suite 100-C  
Santa Monica, CA. 90404  
TEL: (310) 264-8413  
WEB: www.wilshirehcs.org  
EMAIL: info@wilshirehcs.org

**Brief description of services provided:**
Wilshire Hospice provides comfort and care to those at the end of life. Our patient-centered team approach includes medical, emotional and spiritual support. Volunteers are the face of community at this delicate time in the life of a hospice patient and family.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Patient Volunteers visit individuals at home or in a nursing facility to be a friendly face or provide relief to family from caregiving stress. We are companions who sit with patients, share life stories or listen to music together. There is no lifting or transport.  
Administrative volunteers needed.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Comprehensive training.  
TB test, drug test, background check required.

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**Legal Aid Foundation of Los Angeles**

1640 5th Street, Suite 124  
Santa Monica, CA 90401  
TEL: (310) 899-6200  
WEB: http://www.lafla.org/volunteer

**Brief description of services provided:**
LAFLA-SM operates a Self Help Legal Access Center located in the Santa Monica Courthouse. The Center is a walk-in clinic that offers individuals who are representing themselves legal information; assistance in preparing legal forms; guidance on a variety of civil matters, including: evictions, divorces, paternity actions and civil harassment.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Volunteers ranging from undergraduates to retired executives assist in delivering legal services to clients. Volunteers work at the Legal Access Centers and in the office.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Depends on position.

**Length of Commitment:**
A minimum of 100 hours.
Los Angeles Water Keeper

120 Broadway, Suite 105
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 394-6162
WEB: https://lawaterkeeper.org
EMAIL: info@lawaterkeeper.org

Brief description of services provided:
L.A. Waterkeeper works to protect L.A. County’s coastal resources through enforcement, field work and community action.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Kelp monitoring and restoration; coastal storm drain monitoring and restoration; Marine Protected Areas Watch program; public outreach and advocacy.

Type of training/orientation:
Field work trainings are held periodically.

Length of Commitment:
Varies.

Meals on Wheels West

1823 A. Michigan Avenue
Santa Monica, CA. 90404
TEL: (310) 394-7558
WEB: www.mealsonwheelswest.org
EMAIL: info@mealsonwheelswest.org

Brief description of services provided:
Delivery of breakfast, frozen weekday meals, frozen weekend meals and liquid nutrition to homebound residents. We are committed to wellness by providing quality nutritious meals, nutrition education, coordinating community resources and referrals. We enable our homebound clients to maintain their independence and quality of life.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Drivers; assistants to the drivers; general office work and grant writing.

Type of training/orientation:
On-the-job training video.

Length of Commitment:
2 hours a week.

Morgan-Wilson Theatre

2627 Pico Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (310) 828-7519
WEB: www.morgan-wixson.org
EMAIL: info@morgan-wixson.org

Brief description of services provided:
Nonprofit community theatre with shows for youth and adults.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Ushers; theatre technicians (lighting, sound, stage crew); set building and painting; marketing and office work.

Type of training/orientation:
On-the-job training.

Length of Commitment:
Any amount of time is welcome.

The People Concern (formerly OPCC)

1453 16th Street
Santa Monica, CA. 90404
TEL: (310) 264-6646
WEB: www.opcc.net/volunteer.php
EMAIL: volunteers@opcc.net

Brief description of services provided:
OPCC is an independent, community-supported organization in which staff, volunteers and clients work with mutual respect to address the effects of poverty, abuse, neglect and discrimination. The agency’s programs are designed to remove barriers to access the resources individuals need to ensure their survival, end their victimization and improve their quality of life.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Prepare & serve meals and clean-up; monitor clothing room; prepare grocery bags; office; tutoring; life skills; tax prep.

Type of training:
Mandatory orientation held on a monthly basis in the evenings from 6:30-7:30pm at OPCC.

Length of Commitment:
Consistent and regular schedule Weekdays 8 am—4 pm. Reliability is important.
**Pico Youth and Family Center**

715 Pico Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA 90405  
**TEL:** (310) 396-7101  
**WEB:** www.picoyouth.org  
**EMAIL:** picoyouth@gmail.com

**Brief description of services provided:**
A community-based nonprofit organization.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Volunteers will work with PYFC staff to develop an academic support and college readiness training for PYFC student participants; Center beautification projects; implement a Parent/Family Dinner and outreach to our community; help strengthen our music and art programs; fundraising activities and events.

**Type of training/orientation:**
ALL must fill out our ‘Volunteer Form’ and must attend a mandatory orientation.

**Length of Commitment:**
Varies, depends on the program.

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**Reading Partners**

2526 6th Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90405  
**TEL:** (213) 399-8599  
**WEB:** www.readingpartners.org  
**EMAIL:** volunteerLA@readingpartners.org

**Brief description of services provided:**
Our program works with elementary school students who are reading below grade level to improve their literacy skills. All work is done one-on-one with a very structured curriculum, and with the guidance of a full-time staff member who is on site running the program.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Tutors work one-on-one with a child who has fallen behind in reading. Each tutoring session is 45 minutes.

**Type of Training/orientation:**
30 minute online training, 45 minute on-site training.

**Length of Commitment:**
Volunteers are assigned on a rolling basis. Tutors must be able commit to 1 hour a week, from the start date to the end of the designated semester.

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**Saint John’s Health Center**

2121 Santa Monica Boulevard  
Santa Monica, CA 90404  
**TEL:** (310) 829-8438  
**WEB:** www.stjohns.org

**Brief description of services provided:**
Volunteers provide invaluable support to patients, their families and staff in over 40 different areas throughout the health center.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Gift Shop, Surgery Waiting Room, Office Support, Reception Areas, Nursing Units, Emergency Room, Transportation Team, Pre-Op, Child and Family Development Center, Patient Relations, and Lobby Escort. In addition, Nifty Needler volunteers knit caps and booties for the newborn babies.

**Type of training/orientation:**
1½ hour orientation, then a one-on-one interview with the Director of Volunteer Services. If accepted into the program, applicants must attend a 4 hour training and complete a health clearance and background clearance.

**Length of Commitment:**
1½ hour orientation, then a one-on-one interview with the Director of Volunteer Services. If accepted into the program, applicants must attend a 4 hour training and complete a health clearance and background clearance.

**Length of Commitment:**
We ask for a minimum commitment of one 4-hour shift per week AND at least 100 hours.

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**Police Activities League (PAL)**

1401 Olympic Blvd.  
Santa Monica, CA 90401  
**TEL:** (310) 458-8988  
**WEB:** smpal.org  
**EMAIL:** pal@smgov.net

**Brief description of services provided:**
PAL is a unique community organization that fosters trust between youth and the men and women of the Santa Monica Police Department in a safe and nurturing environment. Through outstanding educational, cultural, recreational and outreach programs, PAL helps develop skills and self-esteem, encouraging youth to reach their full potential.

**Brief overview of volunteer position(s):**
Volunteers serve as tutors; specialty instructors; event staff at annual PAL-owneen Carnival; help at location.

**Type of training/orientation:**
Mandatory Live scan Background clearance for 18+.

**Length of Commitment:**
Varies.
**Santa Monica Conservancy**

P.O. Box 653  
Santa Monica, CA 90406  
TEL: (310) 496-3146  
WEB: www.smconservancy.org  
EMAIL: volunteer@smconservancy.org

Brief description of services provided:  
Educational programs designed to promote historic preservation in Santa Monica.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):  
Events, programs, data entry, newsletter layout, development of printed materials.

Type of training/orientation:  
Computer skills a plus, as well as knowledge or curiosity about local history.

Length of Commitment:  
Varies.

**Santa Monica History Museum**

1350 7th Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90404  
TEL: (310) 395-2290  
WEB: www.santamonicahistory.org  
EMAIL: kevans@santamonicahistory.org

Brief description of services provided:  
The Museum features a permanent exhibit gallery with images and artifacts from all aspects of life in Santa Monica. A temporary exhibit gallery features different a variety of subjects throughout the year. The Museum offers free docent-led tours for school children, and may also provide docents at no charge for other groups.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):  
Opportunities range from managing our front desk, greeting visitors; tours; assisting in our research library; conducting historic research; helping to organize and maintain our collections and artifacts; and periodically assisting with exhibits.

Type of training/orientation:  
Mandatory orientation meeting and training.

Length of Commitment:  
Minimum once a week, 3 hours.

**Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD)**

1651 16th Street  
Santa Monica, CA 90404  
TEL: (310) 450-8338  
WEB: www.smusd.org

Brief description of services provided:  
Provide educational foundation to our children so they may experience every opportunity to achieve their academic, professional and personal goals.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):  
Tutoring students grades K-12; mentoring students at secondary level; career mentorships; after-school care.

Type of training/orientation:  
On-the-job.

Length of Commitment:  
Tutors must commit to one year; mentors must have a three year commitment.

**Santa Monica Public Library (SMPL)**

601 Santa Monica Blvd.  
Santa Monica, CA 90401  
TEL: (310) 458-8646  
WEB: http://smpl.org  
EMAIL: smplvolunteer@smgov.net

Accepts Youth Volunteers

Brief description of services provided:  
SMPL provides resources and a place to encourage the community to read, connect, relax and learn.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):  
Limited positions available as public info guides; shut-in services; branch library helpers; book discussion group leaders; and at the  Friends of the Library bookstore.

Type of training/orientation:  
Candidates 18+ must clear a live scan background check; training provided. Does not accept court ordered community service.

Length of Commitment:  
6 month minimum commitment for most positions.
Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center & Orthopedic Hospital

1328 16th Street, 2nd Floor
Santa Monica, CA 90404
TEL: (424) 259-8176
WEB: www.uclahealth.org

Brief description of services provided:
Community hospital serving the Westside, connected with UCLA Medical Center. Volunteers supporting our caring values.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Ambassador (welcome, greet, direct people), Information Desk in surgical waiting areas (assist families and patients), gift shop (clerical support), patient liaison (visit patients) and floaters.

Type of training/orientation:
Volunteer orientation and background check; screening for TB and MMR required.

Length of Commitment:
1 year, 4 hours per week.

Santa Monica Youth Orchestra (SMYO)

2200 Virginia Avenue
Santa Monica, CA 90404
TEL: (310) 985-3439
WEB: http://santamonicayouthorchestra.org
EMAIL: info@santamonicayouthorchestra.org

Brief description of services provided:
A nonprofit, free youth symphony orchestra for middle and high school kids rehearsing in Santa Monica. Creative and interesting individuals are needed to help with outreach; assist during rehearsal documenting the program; and update social media.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Outreach, greeting parents, documenting rehearsal, updating social media, and blogging.

Type of training/orientation:
On-the-job.

Length of Commitment:
The program runs year round, but will accept volunteers for short times as well.

SMC Emeritus College

11227 2nd Street
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 434-4306
WEB: www.smc.edu/emeritus
EMAIL: emeritus@smc.edu

Brief description of services provided:
Emeritus College is a non-credit educational program for older adults.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Assisting students who wish to or are attending Emeritus College with college information and enrollment services. Computer lab volunteers monitor the lab and classroom volunteers assist the instructors.

Type of training/orientation: On-the-job training, quarterly orientations and training.

Length of Commitment:
4-hour shifts weekly; however, lab volunteers may work a 2-hour time period.

SMC Performance Center; Eli & Edythe Broad Stage

1310 11th Street
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 434-3200
WEB: http://www.thebroadstage.com
EMAIL: blank_stephanie@smc.edu

Brief description of services provided:
Live performances.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Ushers, Greeters, Docents, Ticket Takers, Concessionaires. Volunteers take tickets at main entry, assist patrons in finding their seats, distribute program, distribute & demonstrate assisted-listening devices, conduct visitor tours of the facility, assist at donor events, and sell merchandise.

Type of training/orientation:
Two-hour orientation; training on the job.

Length of Commitment:
Depends on position.
Sojourn - OPCC

P.O. Box 7081
Santa Monica, CA. 90406
TEL: (310) 264-6646 x221
WEB: www.opcc.org
EMAIL: sojournvolunteertraining@opcc.net

Brief description of services provided:
Comprehensive services for battered women and their children; includes a 24-hour hotline, crisis shelter, second-stage shelter, support groups, DV 101 groups, children’s program, court advocacy and legal advocacy.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Hotline program; answering crisis calls, providing referrals; support group facilitators; assist with facilitating therapeutic children play groups.

Type of training/orientation:
State mandated 40-hour domestic violence counselor training offered twice a year, and on-the-job training.

Length of Commitment:
6 months after 40-hour training.

Step Up on Second

1460 4th Street, Suite 205
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 394-6889
WEB: http://stepuponsecond.org

Brief description of services provided:
Day services for adults with severe and persistent mental illness.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteers run weekly interest groups for our members (like creative writing and art); help out in kitchen; assist in day-to-day member services; events and fundraising.

Type of training/orientation:
All prospective volunteers must go through one orientation, which is held monthly.

Length of Commitment:
Prefer 4 month minimum.

Sustainable Works

1744 Pearl Street
Santa Monica, CA. 90405
TEL: (310) 458-8716
WEB: www.sustainableworks.org
EMAIL: info@sustainableworks.org

Brief description of services provided:
Sustainable Works is a nonprofit environmental education organization and a project of Community Partners. Our mission is to foster a culture of sustainability in cities, colleges and businesses. The organization provides hands-on, interactive, educational experiences; serves as a liaison between governments, institutions, businesses and individuals and fosters community development.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
General outreach; program interns; student workshop leaders; green-living workshop instructors.

Type of training/orientation:
Training required for workshop leaders and instructors.

Length of Commitment:
Varies.

Turning Point Transitional Housing

1447 16th Street
Santa Monica, CA 90404
TEL: (310) 828-6717
WEB: https://www.opcc.net/?nd=turning_point

Brief description of services provided:
Turning Point is a 55-bed transitional housing program for homeless men and women. Turning Point provides counseling, job search assistance, life skills classes with the goal of transitioning residents into permanent, independent housing and into the work force.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Breakfast and dinner volunteers (assist with food preparation, serving and clean up); phone monitors and other clerical work; evening monitors (assist residents); special instructors (i.e.: fitness, yoga, etc.).

Type of training/orientation:
Interview and orientation with volunteer coordinator; quarterly in-house trainings.

Length of Commitment:
Varies. Ideally, volunteers will commit to one day a week for at least three months.
Upward Bound House

1104 Washington Avenue
Santa Monica, CA 90403
TEL: (310) 458-7779
WEB: www.upwardboundhouse.org
EMAIL: volunteer@upwardboundhouse.org

Brief description of services provided:
UBH provides supportive services and transitional housing to homeless families, and affordable, permanent housing to low income seniors.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Childcare; tutoring; donation sorting; thrift shop; food pantry; facilities maintenance; administrative.

Type of training/orientation:
Orientation and application. Fingerprint and background check required.

Length of Commitment:
Varies depending on projects.

Venice Family Clinic

2509 Pico Blvd
Santa Monica, CA 90405
TEL: (310) 664-7532
WEB: www.venicefamilyclinic.org/volunteers
EMAIL: VFCvolunteer@mednet.ucla.edu

Brief description of services provided:
Provide comprehensive primary healthcare that is affordable, accessible and compassionate.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Trained medical and mental health professionals and pharmacists; health educators; translators (especially in Spanish, Farsi, Arabic and Russian); clerical and data entry; fundraising; internships; reading to children; children activities assistant.

Type of training/orientation:
Overview of our services and history and philosophy. Training varies.

Length of Commitment:
Varies according to position.

Virginia Avenue Park

2200 Virginia Avenue
Santa Monica, CA. 90404
TEL: (310) 458-8688
WEB: https://www.facebook.com/vapark
EMAIL: vap.mailbox@smgov.net

Brief description of services provided:
Community recreation center which hosts events, seminars, classes, Sunday Farmers’ Market and Teen Center.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteer opportunities are available to engage youth in educational games, cultural arts, mentoring, homework assistance and enrichment activities.

Type of training/orientation:
18+ must clear a live scan background check.

Length of Commitment:
Depends on position.

Westside Family Health Center

1711 Ocean Park Blvd
Santa Monica, CA. 90405
TEL: (310) 450-4773
WEB: http://www.wfhcenter.org
EMAIL: bbeltran@wfhcenter.org

Brief description of services provided:
Community health center.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteers can help with administrative tasks, events, outreach and patient care.

Type of training/orientation:
18+ must clear a live scan background check.

Length of Commitment:
Depends on position.
Westside Food Bank

1710 22nd Street
Santa Monica, CA 90404
TEL: (310) 828-6016 x12
WEB: www.westsidefoodbankca.org
EMAIL: allison@westsidefoodbankca.org

Brief description of services provided:
Food distribution service to 65 social service agencies in Santa Monica/Westside.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Office work (majority with a computer); warehouse; special events. We use volunteers on an as-needed, will-call basis.

Type of training/orientation:
None.

Length of Commitment:
One day to 10 years; we are open.

Westside Special Olympics

1401 Olympic Blvd.
Santa Monica, CA 90404
TEL: (310) 458-8237
WEB: http://www.sosc.org
EMAIL: westside@sosc.org

Brief description of services provided:
A nonprofit, community-based organization whose mission is to contribute to the physical, social and psychological development of people with intellectual disabilities through athletic experiences.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteer coaches are needed to coach seasonal sports training; game and practice support staff; fundraising; outreach & public education; program planning.

Type of training/orientation:
Candidates must attend a mandatory orientation and 18+ must clear a live scan background check.

Length of Commitment:
1-1/2 to 2 hours a week for a 12—16 week period.

WISE & Healthy Aging

1527 4th Street, 2nd Floor
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 394-9871, ext. 552
WEB: www.wiseandhealthyaging.org
EMAIL: volunteer@wiseandhealthyaging.org

Brief description of services provided:
Mission is to enhance the independence, dignity and quality of life of older adults through leadership, advocacy and innovative services.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
In adult day care, care management, long-term care ombudsmen, elder abuse prevention, in-home services including daily money management and friendly visiting, health clinic, peer counseling, tax counseling, benefits enrollment counseling, reception desk, office work, and literacy tutoring with elementary students.

Type of training/orientation:
Varies by assignment.

Length of Commitment:
Varies by assignment.

YMCA, Santa Monica Family

1332 6th Street
Santa Monica, CA 90401
TEL: (310) 393-2721 x119
WEB: www.ymcasm.org
EMAIL: pam1@ymcasm.org

Brief description of services provided:
The Santa Monica Family YMCA is dedicated to serving its members by providing programs and services that enrich the quality of the physical, mental, spiritual and social lives of individual members, their families and communities.

Brief overview of volunteer position(s):
Volunteers can lead activities such as singing, acting, chess; coach basketball; help in office or at a special event; design a brochure; fundraise for annual auction.

Type of training/orientation:
Volunteer application, including reference information, finger printing background check, attend the Y Safety and Child Abuse Prevention Training. CPR and First Aid training card is required.

Length of Commitment:
Varies.