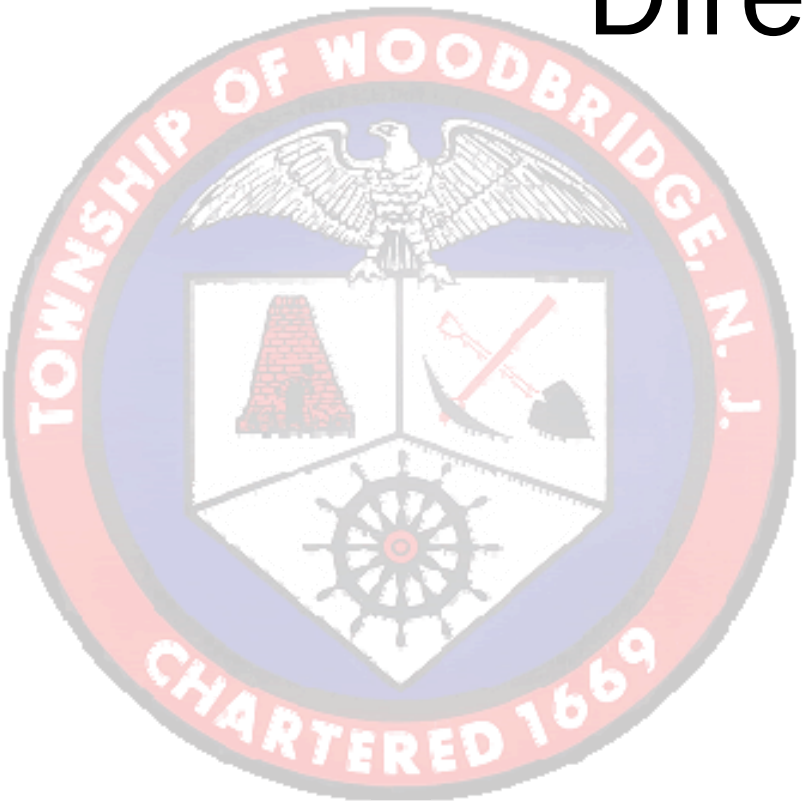
Township of Woodbridge

Volunteer Project Directory



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"Citizen service is the very American idea that we meet our challenges not as isolated individuals but as members of a true community, with all of us working together. Our mission is nothing less than to spark a renewed sense of obligation, a new sense of duty, a new season of service.

Though government has an important role to play in meeting the many challenges that remain before us, we are coming to understand that no organization, including government, will fully succeed without the active participation of each of us. Volunteers are vital to enabling this country to live up to the true promise of its heritage."

-President William Clinton

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I. Introduction

This Directory will help you in your search for an organization that meets your interests. Included herein are many worthwhile groups dependent on the caring people who are willing to give of their time to help others and the community. Please note that organizations not located directly in Woodbridge Township still service the area and offer many local volunteer opportunities.

Many of these organizations also provide opportunities for youths to participate in volunteer activities. Parents and guardians are strongly urged to research any organization their children are interested in joining.

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Your comments and suggestions concerning this Directory are welcome. You may contact us by writing to:

Woodbridge Township Volunteer Project Directory Committee
c/o Councilwoman Michele Charmello
Woodbridge Town Hall
1 Main Street
Woodbridge, New Jersey 07095

We may also be found on the Internet by accessing the Township Web Site:
www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us

II. EMERGENCY SERVICES

Avenel Fire Dept., District #5 **732-634-2358**
P.O. Box 125, Avenel, N.J. 07001
Contact: Chief
Description: Volunteer firefighters must be at least 18 years of age and live in or near the boundaries of the fifth district (Avenel, Eastern Colonia). Extensive training included; no experience necessary. Responsible for 60% of alarms, monthly meeting, and drills twice per month. Must complete 120 hour certification course within one year.

Colonia First Aid Squad, District #12 **732-388-5911**
P.O. Box 217, 4 Beekman Ave, Colonia, N.J. 07067
Contact: Captain
Website: www.coloniafd.org/ColoniaFirstAidSquad
Description: Training and uniform are provided. Cadet program is open to those 16-18 years old. Rig riders must be over 18 years of age. Associate and Cadet members participate in all squad activities except rig riding. One meeting per month, one weeknight duty per week and one weekend duty approx. every five weeks.

Colonia Fire Dept., District #12 **732-388-6666**
250 Inman Ave., Colonia, N.J. 07007
Contact: Chief
Email: chief@coloniafd.org
Website: www.coloniafd.org
Description: Volunteer firefighters must be at least 18 years of age and live in the district. Extensive training program necessary. Responsible for 60% of alarms, one meeting and one drill per month.

Fords Fire Dept., District #7 **732-738-7000**
667 King George Post Rd., Fords, N.J. 08863
Contact: Chief
Description: Volunteer firefighter must be at least 18 years of age and have a valid driver's license. Training and equipment provided by Fire Co. For more information call or stop in for an application.

Hopelawn Fire Dept., District #8 **732-442-0171**
127 Loretta St., Hopelawn, N.J. 08861
Contact: Chief
Email: hopelawnfd@aol.com
Description: Firefighter applicants must be at least 18 years of age and residents of the eighth fire district (Hopelawn and bordering areas of Fords and Keasbey). Applicants must complete Firefighter 1 course at Middlesex County Fire Academy and respond to at least 30% of fire alarms and drills.

Hopelawn First Aid Squad, Inc. **732-442-4181**
244 South Charles St., Hopelawn, N.J. 08861
Contact: Captain
Description: No qualifications for any volunteered time. Some medical certifications necessary for ambulance volunteers. Answer calls and help with regular squad functions. Become line and/or executive officers. Monthly meetings and drills mandatory (2 hours). Minimum age of 15 years old.

Iselin Fire Dept., District #9 **732-283-3636**
1222 Green St., Iselin, N.J.08830
Contact: Chief
Description: Volunteer firefighters. Must have a high school or vocational school diploma & be at least 18 years of age. Meetings are held once a month, there are 3 drills every three months and you must maintain an average of 30% of the fire calls.

Iselin Fire Dept., District #11 **732-283-1208**
20 Auth Ave., Iselin, N.J. 08830
Contact: Chief
Email: info@iselinfire.org
Website: www.iselinfire.org
Description: Volunteer firefighters must be at least 18 years of age. Training provided free of charge. Flexible hours. Call for more information.

Keasbey Fire Dept., District #4 **732-738-4343**
P.O. Box 84, Smith St., Keasbey, N.J. 08832
Contact: Chief
Description: Volunteer firefighters must be at least 18 years of age. Equipment and training provided. There is an extensive screening process. Call for more information.

Port Reading First Aid Squad, Inc. **732-636-1888**
P.O. Box 256, 916 West Ave. Port Reading, N.J. 07064
Contact: Captain
Description: Membership open to those 16 years of age or older. Valid driver's license is beneficial but not necessary. Training and uniform are provided at squad expense. CPR and basic first aid are necessary to be an active member. EMT training to be completed in 2 years time. Meetings are once a month. Crews are assigned one weekly night and approx. one weekend shift each month.

Port Reading Fire Dept., District #2 **732-636-0894**
P.O. Box 207, Port Reading, N.J. 07064
Contact: Chief
Description: Volunteers needed. Please call for more information.

Woodbridge Auxiliary Police **732-634-7700**
1 Main St., Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Patrick Kenny
Description: A volunteer, paramilitary, municipal emergency service to assist the Woodbridge Police Dept. as needed. Extensive training and background check required. Time commitment of at least 8 hours per month.

Woodbridge Fire Dept., District #1 **732-634-7516**
P.O. Box 320, 418 School St., Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Chief
Description: Volunteer firefighters must be 18 years of age or older and reside within the Woodbridge district. Applicants must pass N.J. State Firemen Assoc. Physical examination and firefighter training course. Must make 60% of alarms, monthly meetings, and drills.

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United States Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 04-04 **732-213-6547**
Contact: John Eberhardt, Vice Flotilla Commander
Email: USCGAUXjohneb7@comcast.net

Description: Located on the waterfront in Sewaren, the US Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla in a part of team Coast Guard. Members inspect vessels for safety, host safe boating classes, go on patrols, provide 'Clear Channel' to assist large ships moving through the area, and work with local, state, and federal entities during times of emergency.

Woodbridge Office of Emergency Management **732-602-7377**
CERT (Community Emergency Response Team)
One Main Street, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Patrick Kenny
Description: Citizen volunteers trained in basic emergency response. Part of the USA Freedom Corps., U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

Woodbridge Township Ambulance and Rescue Squad **732-634-9408**
77 Queen Road, Iselin, N.J. 08830
Contact: President Steve Packer , Chief Edward Barrett
Website: www.woodbridge-ems.org
Description: Community based non-profit volunteer ambulance and rescue squad, responding to approximately 7500 emergency calls a year. The Rescue Squad is made up of volunteers from the community who are certified as Emergency Medical Technicians. Professional Rescuer CPR and other life saving certifications. Volunteers can receive tuition assistance at Middlesex County College., Length of Service Appreciation Program, leadership opportunities and self satisfaction of serving the community in times of emergencies. Applications are available online on the website Youth volunteers can apply at age 16. Adults at age 18 and can serve in ambulance and administrative duties.

"A volunteer is a person who can see what others cannot see; who can feel what most do not feel. Often, such gifted persons do not think of themselves as volunteers, but as citizens - citizens in the fullest sense; partners in civilization."

- President George H. W. Bush

III. Social Services

Arthritis Foundation, New Jersey Chapter **732-283-4300**
555 Route 1 South, Suite 320, Iselin, N.J. 08830
Contact: Miriam Altomonte
Email: info.nj@arthritis.org, maltomonte@arthritis.org
Website: www.arthritis.org/chapters/new-jersey
Description: Office/clerical, listening ear/phone work, support group leader, self-help course leader and Spanish speaking volunteers are all needed. Training is available and time commitment varies with each job. Please call for more information.

American Cancer Society - Central New Jersey Region **732-951-6328**
2600 US Highway 1 North Brunswick, NJ 08902
Contact: Janet Caperello
Website: www.cancer.org
Description: Whether it's giving a cancer patient a ride to chemotherapy, putting together a team for Relay For Life®, or sending an e-mail to family and friends about our cancer screening guidelines, there are multiple ways you can get involved in the Society's lifesaving mission. Get the spirit of camaraderie and compassion by volunteering with the American Cancer Society.

American Red Cross - Central New Jersey Chapter **609-951-2123**
707 Alexander Road, Suited 101, Princeton, N.J. 08540-6399
Contact: Joelle Piercy, Volunteer Coordinator
Email: information@njredcross.org, joelle.piercy@redcross.org
Website: www.njredcross.org
Description: Volunteers of all ages and various backgrounds help by assisting victims of disasters such as house fires or floods. They provide lifesaving training in CPR, First Aid and Water Safety programs, welcome blood donors at blood drives, and support members of the Armed Forces and their families and local veterans. Others help through office work, special events and fundraising.

Brain Injury Assoc. of N.J. Inc. **732-745-02000**
825 Georges Road, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902
Contact: Barbara Geiger-Parker
Email: info@bianj.org, bgeigerparker@bianj.org
Website: www.bianj.org
Description: A wide variety of volunteer programs working for the prevention of traumatic brain injury, family support and supported employment as well as legislative issues and a volunteer Board of Trustees. Please call us for more information.

Brothers with Promise **848-203-3111**
Contact: Joseph Genty
Email: info@sistersofpromise.org
Description: Brothers with Promise is an organization with the mission of assisting young men, between the ages of 11-18, choose a positive path in life. The organization assists members in achieving positive and pro-social goals. It encourages confidence, leadership and community service.

Catholic Charities **732-257-6100**
319 Maple Street Perth Amboy, N.J. 08861
Contact: Volunteer Director
Email: mhunter@ccdom.org
Website: www.ccdom.org
Description: We have numerous volunteer opportunities especially in children's programs, food banks, food preparation and serving committees, shelter work, etc. Time commitments vary.

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Cerebral Palsy Assoc. of Middlesex County **732-549-6187**
10 Oak Drive, Edison, N.J. 08817
Contact: Debra Gilbert
Email: Debra.Gilbert@cpamc.org
Website: www.cpamc.org
Description: Assistance with special events, mailings, fund raising. No qualifications--everyone is welcome. Time commitment varies.

Tooling Around the Township **732-634-2750 X105**
20 Bunns Lane, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Woodbridge Housing
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Volunteers, skilled and unskilled, are needed to renovate and make necessary repairs to the homes of low-income seniors and disabled Woodbridge residents.

Girl Scouts of Central & Southern New Jersey **732-821-9090**
108 Church Lane, East Brunswick, N.J. 08816
Contact: Andrea Miller
Email: Info@gscsnj.org, amiller@gscsnj.org
Website: www.gscsnj.org
Description: Various leadership and administrative positions available. Application, references and interview required followed by training and education. Must be able to work with children and adults in a positive manner. Leadership positions require orientation and four training sessions, weekly meetings and preparations, and monthly leader meetings. Other position time commitments vary and may be short term.

Division on Aging-Woodbridge Twp **732-855-0600**
Health Center-George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Irene Allan
Email: Irene.allan@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Volunteers needs to assist elderly and disabled residents for: shopping for groceries for homebound residents, raking and bagging leaves and shoveling snow, being trained to work with AARP Income Tax preparers, being trained to work with Division on Aging in order to complete property tax relief forms, answering telephone and taking messages for the Division Office. If you would like to serve as a volunteer driver or runner to pick up and deliver meals to shut-in residents, contact Barbara Lemshack at 732-634-4141.

Elijah's Promise Soup Kitchen **732-545-9002 X117**
211 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, N.J. 08901
Contact: Volunteer Director
Email: info@elijahspromise.net
Website: www.elijahspromise.net
Description: Meal programs to help other volunteers cook, serve and clean-up. Monday through Friday 9:30 am-12:30 pm or 5:00-7:30 p.m. Weekends 3:00-5:00 p.m.

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Friends of the Libraries of Woodbridge Township **732-634-4450**
1 George Frederick Plaza Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Jim Leathem
Website: www.woodbridge.lib.nj.us/friends
Description: Various committee positions including publicity, historian, membership, community programs, hospitality, mailings, telephoning from home and fund raising. Volunteers are also needed to sort books and assist at our book sale. There are positions available for adults and high school students. Meetings are usually held once a month, but vary for some programs. Time commitment varies for each project. Pick up an application either at the main library or online.

Historical Association of Woodbridge Township Museum Committee **732-634-2832**
HAWT Museum Fund 6 Baker Street Iselin, NJ 08830
Contact: Audrey LaPenta
Email: falapenta@comcast.net

Kiwanis Club of Woodbridge **732-382-5185**
P.O. Box 986, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Alfred Tyrrell
Website: www.njkiwanis.org
Description: We welcome new members for help with fundraising for local hospitals and emergency services, and any situations concerning Woodbridge Township. Meetings currently held on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Liberty Tavern.

Jewish Family and Vocational Service of Middlesex County **732-777-1940**
10 Franklin Ave., Edison, N.J. 08837
Contact: Joanne Bartosik
Email: joanneb@jfvs.org
Website: www.jfvs.org
Phone: 732-777-1940 x1154
Description: A nonprofit organization serving everyone who lives in Middlesex County and the surrounding environs. JFVS is committed to helping individuals and families realize a fulfilling life experience at home, in the workplace, and in the community by providing effective social services, counseling, and advocacy through responsive, innovative programs. Volunteers are an integral part of our JFVS team. We couldn't do what we do without the help of dedicated individuals who contribute their unique talents, skills, and knowledge to make an impact in our community. Our goal is to connect volunteers to a vital role in the agency which will result in a positive and enriching experience for volunteers and clients alike.

Joanne's Food Pantry **732-634-1631**
631 E. Woodbridge Avenue. Avenel, NJ 07001
Contact: Stacey Castro
Email: avenelpres@verizon.net
Phone: 732-634-1631
Description: Pantry is open the last Tuesday of the month between 10-11:30. Volunteers can call for other days to help. Help with unloading the truck delivery during the month, stocking, and bagging groceries. There is also a clothing closet which needs help sorting clothes.

Make-A-Wish Foundation **800-252-WISH**
Contact: Lauren Davila
Email: jersey@wishnj.org, ldavila@wishnj.org
Website: nj.wish.org
Description: Make-A-Wish grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy.

MOMS Club of Woodbridge
Contact: Kristin Rastogi
Email: kristinrastogi@gmail.com

Middlesex County Habitat for Humanity **732-634-5360**
PO Box 471 Avenel, NJ 07001
Contact: Volunteer Director
Email: office@middlesexhabitat.org
Website: www.middlesexhabitat.org
Description: We have numerous volunteer opportunities. Currently participation in the committees of family selection, family partnership, site selection, development and church relations is needed. In the future, we will have opportunities for building. Time commitment varies, but usually takes place once a month.

Mothers Against Drunk Driving (MADD) **609-409-1220**
511 E. John Carpenter Freeway Suite 700 Irving, TX 75062
Contact: National Office
Email: nj.state@madd.org
Website: www.madd.org
Description: Red Ribbon Program volunteers to help distribute MADD's red ribbons at designated times and places. To assist with various fairs. Also, volunteers needed for court monitoring and observation. Seeking people high school age and older. Meetings are held once a month.

Mothers with Promise **848-203-3111**
Contact: Amy Genty
Email: info@sistersofpromise.org
Description: Mothers with Promise is an organization with the mission of providing a support system for mothers. The organization assists members in finding resources that are available within their communities and provides educational workshops periodically. It encourages mothers to be positive, share experiences as well as advice with other mothers, and to give back to the community through community service.

Rotary Club of Woodbridge / Perth Amboy **732-267-1945**
P.O. Box 201, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Brian Freeman
Website: www.w-parotary.org
Description: Luncheon meeting Thursdays at 12 noon at Dominic's Restaurant in Avenel. We rehab homes and seek volunteers to give any amount of time to those in need.

Salvation Army **732-826-7040**
433 State St., Perth Amboy, N.J. 08861
Contact: Capt. Trudy Medina, Capt. Carlos Medina
Website: www.salvationarmynewjersey.org
Description: Volunteers needed for Bilingual receptionist, serving in the soup kitchen, counselor for men's shelter and overnighters for men's shelter. Please call for more information regarding days and times.

Sewaren Free Public Library **732-634-7571**
546 West Ave., Sewaren, N.J. 07077
Contact: Head Librarian
Description: Need volunteers for Trustee and Board Member. Time commitment of 3 to 6 hours per month. Also need library volunteers for whatever time can be given.

Sisters of Promise **848-203-3111**
Contact: Shirley Genty
Email: sgenty@sistersofpromise.org
Website: www.sistersofpromise.org
Description: Sisters with Promise is an organization with the mission of assisting women, between the ages of 11-18, choose a positive path in life. The organization assists members in achieving positive and pro-social goals. It encourages confidence, leadership, and community service.

Trinity Soup Kitchen **732-634-7422**
Trinity Episcopal Church, Rahway Ave., Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Father Counselman
Email: rector@trinitywoodbridge.org
Website: www.trinitywoodbridge.org
Description: Cooking teams needed. Also, Friday set-up crews 10 a.m.-12 noon, serving and clean up crew 12:00-2:00 p.m. Four teams rotate every four weeks, but if you just come on a Friday, you'll be welcome to share in fun and fellowship.

United Way of Central Jersey **732-247-3727 X11**
32 Ford Avenue Milltown, N.J. 08850
Contact: Sabrina Norrie
Email: snorrie@uwcj.org
Website: www.uwcj.org
Description: Volunteer job bank that links volunteers to opportunities based on schedules, location, interests, etc. Time commitment varies.

Women Aware, Inc. Outreach **732-249-4900**
250 Livingston Ave. New Brunswick 08901
Contact: Lynn Kelly
Email: lkelly@womenaware.net
Website: www.womenaware.net
Description: Take part in childcare & recreational activities. Volunteers needed to work with shelter service hotline & groups. Min 4-6 hrs per wk. Initial training can be as long as 40 hrs to work directly with clients. Also need volunteers to assist with holiday Adopt-A-Family & ELVES (Empower The Littlest Victims To Emerge Strong) programs. Funding is through "A Taste of Kindness" soup kitchen. Mostly daytime, especially August through April. Consistency is most important; how much time is volunteer's choice.

Women of Faith **732-634-0582**
First Congregational Church, Barron Ave., Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Faith Longstreet
Email: lngst@webtv.net
Description: WTWOF is a network of women who 1) to meet together across religious lines and 2) to perform acts of love in our community. In addition to getting together for programs and discussions, WTWOF undertakes to support the work of other organizations. Since Thanksgiving 2002, WTWOF has been providing home-cooked meals to mostly housebound seniors and disabled in the township on most major holidays. Volunteers are always needed to prepare and deliver these meals.

Woodbridge Branch Y.M.C.A. **732-596-4170**
Woodbridge Community Center, 600 Main St., Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Cynthia Ruzich
Website: www.metuchen-edisonymca.org/woodbridge
Email: cynthia.ruzich@metuchen-edisonymca.org.
Description: Office assistants for general office help such as mailings, etc. Also, any volunteers willing to demonstrate learning activities (childcare, aquatics, wellness, and general support to staff). Time commitment is variable as needed.

Woodbridge Emblem Club #351 **732-636-7940**
P.O. Box 283, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Barbara Leach
Description: Provide social services such as visiting Woodbridge Developmental Center and area nursing homes and hospitals. We also provide holiday baskets for the needy. Members must be sponsored by an Elk's member and an Emblem Club member. One monthly meeting. Time commitments for projects vary. Visit NJ Home for Disabled Veterans, Menlo Park.

Woodbridge Memorial V.F.W. Post #4410 **732-636-9552**
393 Pearl St., Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Matthew Donavan
Email: vfw4410@juno.com
Website; www.vfwpost4410.tripod.com
Description: Adopt-A-Park project volunteers. New Eyes for the Needy collection site at Post. Menlo Park facility needs Bingo helpers and snack servers. Hospital party at N.J. Veteran's Memorial Home in the fall. Time commitment is variable.

Woodbridge Township Metro Chamber of Commerce **732-636-4040**
52 Main St., Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Carole S. Hila
Website: www.woodbridgechamber.com
Description: Business organization volunteers to participate in April Pear Tree Festival and June Waterfront Festival. All businesses welcome to call for more information. Volunteers also needed to help with mailings. Time commitment is on an as needed basis.

Woodbridge Public Libraries:

Main Library **732-634-4450**
George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Fords Branch Library **732-726-7071**
211 Ford Ave., Fords, N.J. 08863
Henry Inman Branch Library **732-726-7072**
607 Inman Ave., Colonia, N.J. 07067
Iselin Branch Library **732-726-7073**
1081 Green St., Iselin, N.J. 08830

Website: **www.woodbridgelibrary.org**
Description: Volunteers needed for materials processing, clerical, special projects and program assistance. These are trained positions. Time commitments vary at each location and for each job.

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Woodbridge Township Domestic Violence Response Team **732-634-7700 X2802**

Woodbridge Police Dept., 1 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Sgt. Laurie Maloney
Email: dvteam@woodbridgedvrt.org
Website: www.woodbridgedvrt.org
Description: Volunteers are screened and the only qualification is their dedication to victims of domestic violence. Initial training consists of a 40 hour training program. Following training volunteers are "on call" approx. 3 times a month for 12 hour shifts. Attendance is also required at our monthly team meetings held the first Wed of each month.

"We Feed" — Woodbridge Township Community Food Bank **732-855-0600 X5034**

2 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: Peter Barcellona
Email: peter.barcellona@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: The food bank committee's primary role is to assist local churches in their mission of securing adequate food for needy families and individuals in Woodbridge Township. We conduct several major food drives annually.

Woodbridge Youth Leadership Council **732-634-4500 X6058**

Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: Kelly Reidy
Email: kelly.reidy@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: The Woodbridge Youth Leadership Council is a volunteer organization for high school students. The members will learn the values of leadership, parliamentary procedure, responsibility and the importance of being involved in the community. For more information please contact Jennifer Burns in the Mayor's Office.

"When you cease to make a contribution, you begin to die."

-Eleanor Roosevelt

IV. Senior Services

Division on Aging-Woodbridge Township **732-855-0600**
Health Center, George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Irene Allan
Email: Irene.Allan@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Drivers to escort elderly for medical appointments. Persons to assist with conferences, send mailings, help with refreshments, registrations. Assist with snow shoveling for elderly residents. Mr. Fix-It Program-A retired or senior volunteer program offers free training in plumbing, carpentry, painting & electrical repair. Also needed are volunteers to help with counseling for insurance and income tax assistance. Training is provided for specific jobs. Mostly daytime hours with some Saturdays. We maintain a registry of volunteers & give prior notice. Volunteers are desperately needed to pick up & deliver meals to homebound, frail residents & be part of Meals on Wheels program.

Evergreen Senior Center **732-726-6260**
400 Inman Ave., Colonia, N.J. 07067
Description: Need teacher for exercise/ light aerobics class for seniors. Also have a great need for a yoga instructor. Time commitment of one hour a few days a week.

Hartwyck Homes

- 2408 Oak Tree Rd, Edison N.J. 08820	Contact: Kathy Wolpin	**732-906-2728**
- 1340 Park Ave. Plainfield, N.J. 07060	Contact: Karen Petrin	**908-754-3100**
- 465 Plainfield Ave., Edison, N.J. 08817	Contact: Minal Patel	**732-985-1500**

Description: Work with elderly. Time commitment a minimum of 4 hours per week. Must be 15 years old or older.

Jewish Family and Vocational Service of Middlesex County **732-777-1940**
515 Plainfield Ave., Suite 201, Edison, N.J. 08817
Contact: Madelyn Gray
Email: MadalynG@jfvs.org
Website: www.jfvs.org
Description: Transportation- Transport clients for therapy sessions & special programs. Time commitment on as needed basis. Elderday- A non-sectarian adult daycare program at Congregation Adath Israel in Woodbridge & Temple Emanuel in Edison. 1 day per wk, 3-5 hrs. Friendly Visitor-Offer companionship making weekly visits & reassuring phone calls to homebound adults 1-2 hrs./wk. Welfare to work mentors: Become a mentor by providing support & linkages to business world. Hours set between mentor &mentoree. Tutors/ teachers to teach ESL or citizenship: 1hr/wk. Office volunteers for clerical work providing admin & bookkeeping services. Computer skills helpful. Special events: Join various committees to help market programs to the community.

Meals-on Wheels **732-634-4141**
2 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, N.J. Area
Contact: Barbara Lemchak
Description: Volunteers needed to assist meal delivery to local residents. Please call for more info.

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Woodbridge Multi-Service Program on Aging **732726-6262**
400 Inman Ave. Colonia, N.J. 07067
Contact: Fran Samuels
Email: fran.samuels@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Senior Case Aide position to provide friendly visiting and chore services to frail or homebound elderly. Chore services include shopping, escorting, odd jobs, yard work and errands. Car and valid driver's license needed. Time commitment is daytime Monday thru Friday, 2 to 4 hours per week. Volunteers also needed for office coverage.

Senior Month **732-634-4500 X6497**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: Larry McCullough
Email: larry.mccullough@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Each May Woodbridge Township sponsors a full month of nearly 30 events geared to over-55 residents including Active Older Adults Expo, Senior Health & Fitness Day, Senior Prom, Woodbridge Senior Idol, workshops on lifestyle topics; excellent opportunity for businesses interested in being introduced to local senior market. Volunteer opportunities include helping with greeting audience, advance publicity, web site help. Sponsor levels include: Title Sponsor - $10,000; individual events sponsorships - $2,000.

"I shall pass through this world but once. Any good therefore that I can do or any kindness that I can show to any human being, let me do it now. Let me not defer or neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again."

-Mahatma Gandhi

V. Hospices and Hospitals

Haven Hospice at J.F.K. Medical Center **732-321-7769**
65 James St. Edison, NJ 08818
Contact: Maryanne Spencer-Hagy
Email: havenhospice@solarishs.org
Website: www.havenhospicenj.org
Description: Community hospice program for patients with life threatening illness and families of same. Volunteers may choose from many programs. There is an interview / screening process and then a six week training course. Time commitments vary.

Heart of Hope Chapter Auxiliary **732-324-5006**
Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy, N.J. 08861
Contact: Susan Pasternack
Website: www.rbmc.org
Description: Fund raising to support the palliative care program. Also, clerical office help. Four meetings a year, Mondays at 7:00 p.m. Email: Spasternack@RBMC.com

J.F.K. Medical Center **732-321-7083**
65 James St., Edison, N.J. 07016
Contact: Christine Piterski
Website: www.jfkmc.org/about-jfk/volunteer-services
Description: Too many positions to enumerate. Patient contact or non-contact positions. High school juniors or seniors and adult volunteers needed. Time commitment varies. Minimum of 4 hours per week asked.

Muhlenberg-Kennedy Medical Center **908-668-2000**
Park Ave. and Randolph Rd., Plainfield, N.J. 07061
Contact: Kristine Piderski
Website: www.muhlenberg.com
Description: Clerical, couriers, information desk, consignment shop and patient contact positions. Time commitment is very flexible.

New Jersey Veteran's Memorial Home **732-603-3013**
132 Evergreen Rd., P.O. Box 3013, Edison, N.J. 08817
Contact: Volunteer Director
Website: www.state.nj.us/military/veterans
Description: A long-term care facility. Junior and adult positions available. Patient contact or non-contact available. Time commitment varies and is flexible. Call for info.

Odyssey Health Care, Inc. **732-562-8800**
242 Old New Brunswick Rd. Ste 240, Piscataway, N.J. 08854
Contact: Angela Nix
Website: www.odsyhealth.com
Description: Volunteers needed in areas all over New Jersey to work directly with patients and families in homes, hospitals and nursing facilities and to provide emotional support and companionship. Also need volunteers to help with general office work in Edison or Bloomfield. A training session is provided.

Rahway Hospital Hospice **732-499-6169**
865 Stone St., Rahway, N.J. 07065
Contact: Kathleen McMahon
Website: www.rwjuhr.com
Description: Provide assistance / respite for terminally ill patients and their families. Must attend one hospice training course held in the fall. Great need for daytime volunteers. Time commitment of once or twice a week, one to three hours a day.

Rahway Hospital **732-381-4200**
865 Stone St., Rahway, N.J. 07065
Contact: Hank Goldberger
Website: www.rwjuhr.com
Description: Opportunities vary depending upon individual skills and interests. Patient contact or non-contact positions available. Personal interview and four hour orientation is required. Ask for a minimum of three hours per week, but there is flexibility.

Raritan Bay Medical Center at Perth Amboy **732-324-5006**
530 New Brunswick Ave., Perth Amboy, N.J. 08861
Contact: Susan Pasternack
Email: Spasternack@RBMC.com
Website: www.rbmc.org
Description: A variety of positions including patient contact, fund raising events, gift shop, hospital service projects, decorating, etc. Time commitments are very flexible.

Somerset Valley Visiting Nurse Assoc. Hospice Program **908-725-9355**
586 East Main St. Bridgewater, N.J. 08807
Contact: Anita Siano
Website: www.communityvna.org
Description: Provide companionship and respite for terminally ill patients and their families. Must be over 18 years of age. Twenty hours training and ongoing in-service training. Minimum two hours each week per patient.

Visiting Nurse Assoc. of Central New Jersey **732-224-6933**
1100 Wayside Rd., Tinton Falls, N.J. 07712
Contact: Pauline DePalma
Email: PdePalma@VNACJ.org
Website: www.vnacj.org
Description: Visit hospice patients and their families in their homes. Woodbridge assignments available. Also need office and phone call help. Time commitment is flexible.

The Valerie Fund Children's Center **973-761-0422**
Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, 201 Lyons Ave. Newark, N.J. 07112
Contact: Bunny Flanders
Email: bflanders@thevaleriefund.org
Website: www.thevaleriefund.org/youcanhelp/volunteer.php
Description: Working in the playroom with children diagnosed with cancer or blood disorders while they wait for treatment. There is no special training. Time commitment is 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, but we are flexible.

VI. Arts

Barron Arts Center / Woodbridge Twp Cultural Arts Commission **732-634-0413**
582 Rahway Avenue Woodbridge N.J. 07095
Contact: Cynthia Knight
Email: barronarts@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: The Barron Arts Center is the Township's official art center and an architectural treasure listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Each year the Barron hosts 40 exhibits, concerts, poetry readings, lectures, workshops and arts classes open to the public as well as annual Barron Arts Fest, Township Holiday Tree Lighting, Model Train Exhibit. Volunteer needs include help with clerical duties (mailing, copying, phone answering), event presentation (ushering, serving refreshments), docents for exhibits and tours. Sponsorship levels include: Connoisseur - $1,000; Aesthete - $500; Aficionado - $250; Devotee - $100; Muse - $50; Patron - $25.

Mayor's Summer Concert Series **732-634-4500 X4045**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge N.J. 07095
Contact: Vito Cimilluca
Email: vito.cimilluca@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Free outdoor concerts at Woodbridge High School featuring New Jersey's top classic rock and tribute bands – Brooklyn Bridge, Infernos, Hotel California, B Street Band, Kenny Vance, Party Dolls, Shangri-Las, Gary U.S. Bonds, more. Help needed with the Township information booth, and greeting public. Sponsorship levels include: Title Sponsor- (inquire for specifics), Premier Sponsor - $7,500; Presenting Sponsor - $5,000.

New Horizons Music of Woodbridge **732-910-8773**
Dillon Music, 325 Fulton Street, Woodbridge NJ 07095
Contact: Leslie Godfrey (Director)
Email: leslie@dillonmusic.com
Website: www.nhwoodbridge.com
Description:

New Horizons Band: If you've always wanted to learn to play an instrument in a fun, stress-free environment, this is a wonderful opportunity. Masterclasses, clinics with professionals, and lessons tailored to your abilities are part of NHB.
New Horizons "Little" Big Band*:* A band made up of New Horizons band members and local professional musicians. The directors strive to teach members about different styles of jazz, while keeping the environment stress-free and enjoyable!
New Horizons Community Chorus: New Horizon Community Chorus members range from high school students to adult members of the community. The chorus sings a wide variety of traditional and contemporary music.
ECOrhythms: Ecorhythms is an environmentally-friendly drum circle program. This program is suitable for children of all ages, as well as families.

Opportunities include help with fundraising, advertising, and event planning.

Music on Main Street Concert Series **732-634-4500 X6497**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Brian Molnar
Email: brian.molnar@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: http://www.WoodbridgeArtsNJ.com
Description: This series features top contemporary acoustic musical artists performing in an intimate 250-seat church sanctuary – Richie Havens, Janis Ian, Graham Parker, Poco, Raul Malo, Lucy Kaplansky, David Bromberg, John Sebastian, Guy Davis, Aztec Two-Step, more. Help needed with ushering, greeting audience, box office, performer hospitality, advance publicity, web site. Sponsorship levels include: Title Sponsor - $20,000 (per series); individual concerts sponsorships - $2,000.

Woodbridge Artisan Guild **732-596-7468**
101 Main Street Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Glenn Murgacz
Email: info@woodbridgeartisan.com
Website: http://www.woodbridgeartisan.com
Phone: 732-596-7468
Description: The Woodbridge Artisan Guild is a nonprofit organization dedicated to supporting and nurturing the visual arts in Woodbridge Township through building an art community, mutual support, cooperation, and education, increasing awareness and appreciation for the arts, and providing artists with an opportunity to develop their work; Woodbridge. Volunteer help needed with gallery-sitting, exhibit construction, fundraising, event planning, website. Sponsor levels include: Corporate - $1,000; Benefactor - $500; Patron - $250.

Woodbridge Wednesdays **732-364-4500 X6497**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: Brian Molnar
Email: brian.molnar@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: www.WoodbridgeArtsNJ.com
Description: This June-August series features top world music artists performing on Main Street, downtown Woodbridge – music from Ireland, India, Africa, Caribbean, Puerto Rico, all types of American roots music. Help needed with greeting audience, performer hospitality, advance publicity, web site. Sponsor levels include: Title Sponsor - $20,000 (per series); individual concerts sponsorships - $2,000.

Woodbridge Community Youth Players **732-233-2192**
Contact: Ricki Cohn
Email: rjc2192@gmail.com
Website: www.woodbridgecommunityyouthplayers.org
Description: Woodbridge Community Youth Players, Inc. provides training and education in music theatre for youth ages 14-24 involved as actors, singers, dancers, tech and management staff in presenting an annual major music theatre production. Help needed with set construction, fundraising, event planning, website. Sponsor levels include: Platinum Patron - $500; Gold Patron - $250; Silver Patron - $100; Bronze patron - $50; Friend of The Players - $25.

VII. Education

Adopt-A-School **908-896-0559**
Contact: Pat Hardiman
Email: paticakez@comcast.net
Description: A non-profit organization founded to provide local students with mentoring programs, supplies and supplemental education. Please call for specific details.

DHS Regional School Middlesex Campus **732-499-5035**
1377 Rahway Ave. Avenel, N.J. 07001
Contact: Marveen Barns
Description: Need college educated tutors and teacher assistants. Also seek retired or active businessperson from Woodbridge area to expose students to potential career options. Time commitment is flexible.

East Jersey Olde Towne Village **732-745-3030**
1050 River Road Piscataway, N.J. 08854
Contact: Michael Boylan
Wesite: www.co.middlesex.nj.us/culturalheritage/village.asp
Description: Volunteers needed as tour guides, assistants, clerks, and gardeners. Interest in history or education desirable. All ages welcomed. 3 hour training session, then a minimum of 4 hours per month is requested.

Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County **732-494-3232**
1775 Oak Tree Rd. Edison, N.J. 08820
Contact: Dorothy Rubenstein
Email: drubinstein@jccmc.org
Website: www.jccmc.org
Description: Youth and community core to service the community across the county. Many activities available. All ages' welcome. Classroom aide or clerical. 9:00 – 3:15; two to five days per week.

Kiddie Keep Well Camp **732-548-6542**
35 Roosevelt Dr. Edison, N.J. 08837
Contact: Cindy Robertson
Email: info@kiddiekeepwell.org
Website: www.kiddiekeepwell.org
Description: Teenagers to senior citizens that are willing to give any amount of time. We are very flexible and have numerous opportunities such as mailings, phone work, fund raising, painting, etc. Please call for more information.

Literacy Program of New Jersey **732-432-8000**
380 Washington Rd., Suite F. Sayreville N.J. 08872
Contact: Melissa Cohen
Email: Melissa@lpnj.org
Website: www.lpnj.org
Description: Tutor an adult who needs help to improve reading or writing skills, or an adult who needs help in understanding or speaking English. Tutoring sessions take place at any Public Library in Middlesex County. 18 hours of training required, then 2 hours per week meeting with student.

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President's Council of Woodbridge Township **732-602-8487**
P.O. Box 428 Woodbridge. N.J. 07095
Contact: Louis C. Huber
Website: www.woodbridge.k12.nj.us
Description: Seeking parent volunteers to become members. Volunteers needed to assist with Annual Scholarship Dinner Dance, and to raise funds for Project Graduation, Elementary School Mini-Grants and School Volunteer recognition award programs. Time commitment varies.

Project Graduation

Colonia High School	Emily Greene	**732-499-6500**
John F. Kennedy High School	Pat Hardiman	**732-602-8650**
Woodbridge High School	Kathy Gilmartin	**732-602-8600**

Description: Volunteers being sought throughout the school year to provide a safe graduation night celebration for local high school students. Please contact your high school's PTO president for more information.

Woodbridge Township Education Foundation
P.O. Box 338 Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: Gail Early, Chairperson / Mariann Poerio, Vice-Chairperson
Email: mariann.poerio@woodbridge.k12.nj.us
Website: www.woodbridge.k12.nj.us
Description: The Education Foundation is a cooperative effort to help provide students with the support, encouragement, opportunity and experience they need to live successfully now and meet the challenges for the future. We welcome Woodbridge business leaders to become involved. The committee presently consists of Columbia Banks' Branch Manager, Avenel Locksmith's owner, Board of Education members, Lois Rotella, principals, teachers, employees, parents and concerned citizens. Volunteers needed to assist at Fairs and Festivals. Help also needed in the preparation of mailings and with the annual Excellence in Education Dinner Dance held in the spring. Mentors needed to assist in Public Schools. Time commitment varies.

Woodbridge Township School District **732-750-3200**
P.O. Box 428, School Street Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: Dr. John A. Crowe
Website: www.woodbridge.k12.nj.us
Description: Parents, grandparents and/or guardians of students enrolled in the public elementary, middle and high schools throughout the township are welcomed to serve as volunteers in the school's library media center. Specific training provided.

"We can do no great things, only small things with great love."

-Mother Teresa

VIII. Recreation

Iselin Athletic Association **732-283-2010**
P.O. Box 62, Iselin, N.J. 08830
Contact: Scot Samu
Website: www.eteamz.com/iselin
Description: Seek executive board members and volunteers to coach boys and girls ages 5-17 in baseball, softball and basketball. Meeting held once a month.

Fords Clara Barton Baseball **732-826-1663**
P.O. Box 221, Fords, N.J. 08863
Contact: Scott Schnee
Email: schnee13@comcast.net
Website: www.eteamz.com/fordscb
Description: League provides expansive baseball program including regular and tournament play, Mayor's Trophy, and fall baseball. Volunteers needed year-round for coaching, maintenance and staffing.

Bearcat Youth Association **732-738-4620**
P.O. Box 1492, Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Richard Pinter, Linda Pinter
Website; www.bearcat-sports.com
Description: Offers football, flag football, cheerleading, wrestling, girl's softball, girl's & boy's basketball to area children. Volunteers needed for many areas including coaching, umpiring, staffing & maintenance. Children from Woodbridge, Fords, Hopelawn & Keasbey.

Buddy-Ball Sports **732-596-4045**
Woodbridge Community Center, 600 Main St., Woodbridge, N.J 07095
Contact: Dan Taylor
Email: woodbridgebuddyball@comcast.net
Website: www.woodbridgebuddyball.org
Description: An athletic organization designed for our physical and/or mentally challenged young athletes, with each player having a "buddy". Programs for children and adults. Sports include bowling, soccer, baseball, basketball, street hockey, ice sled hockey and possibly flag football. Mayor's Trophy tournament. Coaches and buddies are needed and the hours are flexible.

Merrill Park Baseball League, Inc. **732-616-8425**
P.O. Box 85, Colonia, N.J. 07067
Contact: Susan McHale
Email: mpblpresident@gmail.com
Website: www.eteamz.com/mpbl
Description: Seek Executive Board members, baseball and basketball league director, general managers, equipment manager, umpire, coach, manager and team mom. General membership meetings once per month. Baseball runs April-June, basketball runs December-March. Furthermore, fall baseball and softball are also offered.

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Woodbridge Branch Y.M.C.A. **732-596-4170**
Woodbridge Community Center, 600 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Katie McAdoo
Email: Katie.mcadoo@ymcaofmewsa.org
Website: www.ymcaofmewsa.org
Description: Assistants for various program areas- sports, aquatics, fitness, child-care. Positions available on a flexible basis. Volunteers should be 17 years of age.

Woodbridge Council on Physical Fitness and Sports **732-634-5000 X125**
Woodbridge Town Hall, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Jeff Zirpolo
Description: Seeking active members and committee people for sponsored events such as 10K and 5K races, senior bowling tournament, children's poster contest, etc. There is a two hour monthly meeting and special meetings for committee events.

Woodbridge Township Youth Recreation Council **732-499-0089**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: John Galvin
Description: The council sponsors sports leagues throughout Woodbridge Township serving over 8,000 children. Township leagues include Little League baseball, Pony League baseball, Babe Ruth baseball, and A.S.A. girl's softball. Also offered are basketball, soccer, wrestling, volleyball and cheerleading leagues. Volunteers are needed for coaches, officiating and general workers. Time commitments vary.

Woodbridge Warriors Sled Hockey
Contact: John Eberhardt
Phone: (732) 548-9808
Email: john.eberhardt@twp.woodbridge.nj.us

Description: An ice hockey team for players with physical disabilities from the waist down (wheel chair, walkers, braces). The team plays a competitive game of hockey and is registered in the Atlantic District Sledf Hockey League. With past players moving on the Para-Olympics in Japan Woodbridge can say that they have a Para-Ompian gold medal winner from their team.

Woodbridge Warriors Special Hockey
Contact: John Eberhardt
Phone: (732) 548-9808
Email: john.eberhardt@twp.woodbridge.nj.us

Description: Similar to Sled Hockey, but this is a league designed for developmentally challenged players. The team plays a competitive game of real ice hockey (with a few mofifications) against teams in New Jersey and Pennsylvania. The team is registered in the American Special Hockey Association. No need to know how to skate, the only requirement is a desire to play.

IX. Environment and Animals

Anything But Cars **732-634-4500**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Monica Smith
Email: woodbridgebicyclecommittee@gmail.com
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Woodbridge Township is open to anyone committed to making our community a cleaner, healthier, more energy-efficient place to work and live. Anything But Cars sponsors several initiatives – Safe Routes to Schools; Walking Trails; More Bike Racks, Please; Adopt-a-Tree; Adopt-a-Green School – designed to encourage children and families to walk and bicycle on the way to work and school and just for fun. Help needed with fundraising, event planning, website. Sponsor levels include: Trail Blazer - $1,000, Fore Runner - $500, Pace Setter - $250, Power Shaker - $100, Booster - $50, ABC Starter - $25

Angel Pet Animal Welfare Society, Inc. (AngelPAWS) **732-340-1199**
P.O. Box 282 Colonia NJ 07067
Email: info@angelpaws.org
Website: www.angelpaws.org
Description: 501c3 Organization dedicated to relieving the suffering of and finding permanent homes for stray, abandoned, and homeless animals. Limited access shelter, no animal is euthanized to make room for another animal. Open to volunteers over the age of 15. Public Shelter hours - Monday-Friday 7pm-8:30, 12-3pm Saturdays and Sundays.

Animal Rescue Force **732-257-7559**
P.O. Box 418 East Brunswick, N.J. 08816
Email: arforce3@yahoo.com
Website: www.members.petfinder.com/~NJ16
Description: Interaction with dogs & cats of all breeds. Heavy contact educating public on responsible pet ownership and spaying/neutering. Fund raising activities. Mandatory one hour training session. Volunteers asked to work one Saturday or Sunday a month at an adoption center or to assist with fundraising. Must be at least 15 years of age.

Colonia Business Community **732-499-9191**
Contact: 622 Inman Avenue Colonia, NJ 07067
Email: dreyepez@aol.com
Description: General clean up, planting of flowers and decorating for the holidays in the Colonia area. Four to six brief meetings per year. Time commitment varies according to project. Most work is done on the weekend. Group of local businesses owners and merchants who discuss the Inman Avenue Business Disctrict and get involved in the local community.

Animal Protection League of NJ **732-446-6808**
P.O. Box 174, Englishtown, N.J. 07726
Contact: Janine Motta
Email: info@aplnj.org
Website: www.aplnj.org
Description: People looking to end animal abuse and exploitation can find various ways within the organization to volunteer their time and talents. Time commitment varies and our activities occur year-round.

Noah's Ark Animal Rescue and Placement **732-815-1633**
P.O. Box 5734, Clark, N.J. 07066
Email: noahsanimals@comcast.net
Website: www.petfinder.com/shelters/NJ19
Description: Volunteers for daily routines, foster care for animals in your home and fund raising activities. Need help for Pet-Adoption Day. Time commitment is flexible.

Paws Abilities **732-388-6498**
P.O. Box 25, Rahway, N.J. 07065
Email: pawsabilitiesrescue@hotmail.com
Website: www.petfinder.com/shelters/pawsabilities
Description: Volunteers needed for animal foster care in your home. Also, volunteers needed to transport animals to adoption centers on pet adoption day or for medical treatment. Dog walkers also needed. Most work is done on the weekend.

Therapet, Inc. **732-602-1112**
P.O. Box 787, Clark, N.J. 07066
Contact: Donna Ballotta
Email: info@therapet-inc.com
Website: www.therapet-inc.com
Description: Open to volunteers of any age who own a cat or dog. Both owner and pet need to be friendly. Pet needs to be up-to-date on shots and travel easily. Pet needs to be controlled by owner. Visit nursing homes and hospitals with pets. Time commitment asks for 2 visits per mo., 1-2 hours per visit.

Therapy Dogs, Inc. **732-396-0464**
South Isabella Drive, Lakewood, N.J. 08701
Contact: Charlotte Wamser
Description: Provide pet therapy to hospitals, nursing homes and other facilities. Dogs must be up-to-date on shots and at least one year old. Dog is tested for three visits at tester facility. After certification, visits are arranged to facilities of your choice. Time commitment of two hours or more a month divided into several visits to any facility that accepts therapy dogs.

Woodbridge River Watch **732-602-6015**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Mayor's Office
Email: wbmayor@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Volunteers needed to clean debris from Woodbridge River and all the streams within the township. We also have programs to educate the students and citizens about clean water, recycling and wildlife. Schedule is flexible and clean-ups take place mostly on Saturdays. Meetings held on Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Woodbridge Main Library. Please call for specific dates. We also have a Ranger school program which requires one hour of your time at your convenience.

Woodbridge Animal Group – WAG **732-277-9340**
P.O. Box 133 Sewaren, N.J. 07077
Contact: Dennis Green
Email: Woodbridgeanimalgroup@yahoo.com
Website: http://www.freewebs.com/1wag/index.htm
Description: Volunteers needed for fundraising and hands on with the animals as well. We aid the homeless and abandoned animals of Woodbridge Township and assist organizations with similar goals.

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Woodbridge Township Dept. of Health and Human Services **732-855-0600 X5025**
2 George Frederick Plaza Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Dennis Green
Email: dennis.green@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Volunteers needed during months of May, June, July and August to conduct annual dog and cat licensing. Door to door canvas and census are required by N.J. State Statute. All sections of the township need to be covered. Time commitment is 3 to 5 hours per day, weekly as available. More hours are available if volunteer is willing.

Woodbridge Township Dept. Of Public Works **732-738-1311 X3012**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Dennis Henry
Email: Dennis.Henry@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: Need volunteers to clean parks, public spaces, drainage basins. Also, paint parks equipment and General Township clean up. Usually held Saturday mornings or weekdays during the summer from 2:00-6:00 p.m.

Woodbridge Township Garden Club **732-283-1796**
Garden For the Blind, 1081 Green St. Iselin, N.J. 08830
Contact: Belinda Kerchner
Email: beliphil@comcast.net
Website: www.WoodbridgeGardenClub.org
Description: Need volunteers to help in our civic beautification projects involving planting and watering. We maintain gardens for the blind and physically handicapped as well as various garden projects throughout the township. Meetings are held either on the second or third Tuesday of each Month at 6:45 p.m. at the Iselin Library. You can also come in person at the Garden for the Blind every Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. Come, visit and get involved.

Woodbridge Township Green Team **732-634-4500**
Municipal Building, 1 Main St. Woodbridge, N.J. 07095
Contact: Caroline Ehrlich
Email: caroline.ehrlich@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: http://www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us/Green/tabid/751/Default.aspx
Description: The Green Team is a citizen advisory board that reports to city officials on how to make environmentally friendly decisions. These decisions may include community improvement, education projects, and eco-friendly purchasing. Email us for more information on volunteer opportunities.

Greenable Woodbridge Museum of the Future **732-425-9345**
400 Woodbridge Center Dr. Woodbridge, NJ 07095
Contact: Ashley Strain
Email: ashley.strain@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: www.greenablewoodbridgemuseum.org
Description: Devoted to all things “Green” in Woodbridge Township, the Museum is located on the Upper Level of the JC Penney Wing of Woodbridge Center Mall and features interactive displays, events, “green” business counselling and educational programs devoted to sustainable energy, transportation, manufacturing and community living. Volunteer staff needed during open hours to greet public, help with events, explain exhibits – a wonderful learning experience.

X. Special / Holiday Events

American Irish Assoc. of Woodbridge **732-969-0270**
P.O. Box 114, Iselin, N.J. 08830
Contact: Claire Miloscia
Email: amerirish1@aol.com
Website: www.amerirish.com
Description: Voting members of Irish descent or social members who are not Irish. Families and all ages welcome for the promotion of Irish culture. Activities include picnics, dances, bus trips, a choir and social events. We sponsor and organize the parade which is held the Sunday prior to St. Patrick's Day.

Colonia Chapter of Hadassah **732-381-9054**
8 Periwinkle Place, Colonia, N.J. 07067
Contact: Millie Fishbein
Email: Millie8@comcast.net
Description: Membership participation. We sponsor gift-wrapping at Woodbridge Mall during the holidays. Fund raising affairs. Two meetings per month.

Saint Anthony's of Padua Church **732-634-1403**
436 Port Reading Ave. Port Reading, N.J. 07064
Contact: Holly Pagliuca
Email: info_Stanthony@verizon.net
Website: www.SaintAnthonypadua.org
Description: Christmas Friendship Dinner given on Christmas Day for those people who may find themselves alone or who would enjoy the fellowship of a dinner with others. Warm, caring, concerned individuals or families needed to help with planning, preparations or assisting day of dinner are welcome. Planning begins in Sept., then 2 to 3 meetings October through December. Preparations begin 3 days prior to Christmas Day. Various time commitments and activities are available for volunteers. All are welcome for volunteering and dinner.

Woodbridge Widows or Widowers **732-634-0297**
Contact: Carol Rebovich
Description: Widowed people only. A "beyond bereavement" social group. Officers and committee people needed to plan social events for widowed people of all ages. Regular meetings second Wednesday of the month at the Main Library. Social held at the Elks Club third and fifth Sundays. "New members" always wanted and welcomed.

Woodbridge Works to Curb Hunger (WEFEED) **732-855-0600 X5025**
Contact: Dennis Green
Email: dennis.green@twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Website: twp.woodbridge.nj.us
Description: A once-a-year event to collect canned goods township-wide and distribute them to local food banks. Food can be taken to Woodbridge Twp Department of Health and Human Services, 2 George Frederick Plaza, Woodbridge, N.J., and Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Social services with holiday programs include the Division of Aging, Elijah's Promise, Soup Kitchen, The Salvation Army, Trinity Church Soup Kitchen, Women Aware, Inc. Outreach.

XI. Virtual Volunteering / Internet Resources

Impact Online www.impactonline.org
Non-profit organization dedicated to helping people get involved in their community. "Volunteer Match" ™ is a free online matching service for volunteers & nonprofits. Virtual Volunteering is a research project on volunteer activities over the Internet.

America's Promise www.americaspromise.org
The Alliance for Youth is a national campaign to fulfill the mission & goals of the President's Summit for America's Future. We strives to give our nation's young people access to the five fundamental resources necessary to maximize their potential, live the American dream& give back to society in meaningful ways are kept.

Center for Youth as Resources www.yar.org
Youth as Resources is a community based program that provides small grants to young people to design and carry out service projects that address social problems and contribute to significant community change.

Food Bank of New Jersey www.njfoodbank.org
At the Community Food Bank of New Jersey we try to use one problem to alleviate the other. There's plenty of food out there that is still good to eat but doesn't meet manufacturer or supermarket appearance standards. When that happens, the distributors of NJ call us, & we get that food to the charities that feed the needy.

Connect for Kids www.connectforkids.org
Connect for Kids is the information, knowledge and action center for adults who want to make their communities work for kids. We're creating a cyber-community for adults—on behalf of kids—that helps jump-start real communities to act on behalf of children.

Make a Difference Day www.usaweekend.com/diffday
Largest national day of helping others –a celebration of neighbors helping neighbors. It is an annual event that takes place on the fourth Saturday of every October.

Net Day NJ www.netday.org
NetDay is a national, education technology nonprofit, whose mission is to connect every child to a brighter future. Our direct services, volunteer opportunities, and web-based initiatives help students, teachers, administrators, parents, and community members develop capacity for effective technology use in learning environments. We began as a school wiring initiative and have grown to support digital divide communities and educational organizations with computers, Internet connections, and people.

Project America www.project.org
Project America inspires and teaches people to take positive steps in their communities and creates partnerships between volunteers and the organizations that need them.

John E. McCormac, Mayor