

#### **COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." Margaret Mead

# **College-to-Community Volunteer Opportunities**

### ACM STUDENT FOOD PANTRY



Volunteers are needed to help out at the ACM Student Food Pantry (The Pantry). Volunteers You should have the ability to communicate verbally through email, moving around in a small pantry space and reach and bend to get items on/off shelves, lift bags of items (apr. 5-15 lbs). Email <a href="mailto:thepantry@allegany.edu">thepantry@allegany.edu</a> for a copy of the volunteer handbook, complete the final page, per directions in the handbook. Students will learn how to run a pantry, how to promote compassionate consumer interactions, stocking, tracking, and distribution of supplies skills.

For more information contact Heather at <a href="mailto:hgreise@allegany.edu">hgreise@allegany.edu</a> or Dione Clark-Trub at 301-784-5268.

## ALLEGANY COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER

#### 716 Furnace St, Cumberland, MD 21502

Volunteers are needed to help at the shelter on weekdays and weekends for about 3 hours. The task is focused on care (feeding and watering, cleaning cages, walking dogs, etc.). There are a multitude of other ways you can assist the shelter, helping with adoption and education events in the community, fundraising, and other outside walking activities. Donations are always needed and there is also a need for temporary foster homes for dogs and cats. For more information visit: <a href="http://alleganyanimalshelter.com/volunteer/">http://alleganyanimalshelter.com/volunteer/</a> or visit <a href="https://www.facebook.com/alleganyshelter">https://www.facebook.com/alleganyshelter</a>.



### ALLEGANY HABITAT STORE



#### 28 Lane Ave Suite 1, La Vale, MD 21502

Volunteers are needed to work with donated furniture and household items that are resold to raise funds for Habitat's mission to provide housing for low income families. Find out more at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/alleganyhabitatstore">https://www.facebook.com/alleganyhabitatstore</a> or call / text 301-268-1608 or email habitatvolunteersallegany@gmail.com.

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### ALLEGANY MUSEUM



3 Pershing St, Cumberland, MD 21502

If you are 18 years of age or older and interested in becoming an Allegany Museum volunteer, <u>find out more at this link</u> or email <u>manager@alleganymunseum.org</u>. Find out more at <u>https://alleganymuseum.org/volunteer/</u>

## AMERICAN RED CROSS - CENTRAL APPALACHIA REGION



Help with Red Cross Blood Drives at ACM by contacting Erin Yokum - Director of Student Life at <a href="mailto:EYokum@allegany.edu">EYokum@allegany.edu</a>. Also, consider getting involved with the Western Maryland Chapter of the Red Cross that touches hundreds of lives every day. Their mission is to help people prevent, prepare for, and cope with emergencies. They help by providing a wide range of services to the citizens of Allegany, Carroll, Frederick, Garrett, and Washington Counties. They have many volunteer opportunities. Find out more <a href="here">here</a>. For more info fill out this <a href="here">volunteer registration form</a>.

#### LETS BEAUTIFY CUMBERLAND

A citizen based grassroots beautification program started in August 1996, where people of all ages are welcome to help clean-up and beautify the Cumberland - the Queen City! Local community groups work together on many projects and need your support! **Individual volunteers are greatly needed!** Get in touch on Facebook at this <u>link</u>. Or Contact Ed Mullaney at 301-268-2135 to get involved!



## EVERGREEN HERITAGE CENTER



15603 Trimble Rd NW, Mt Savage, MD 21545

Evergreen Heritage Center has multiple gardens of native plants, vegetables, and herbs. It is also designing a six acre forest garden to demonstrate what products can be grown under the forest canopy. If you are interested in participating in these projects, please contact <a href="mailto:foundation@evergreenheritagecenter.org">foundation@evergreenheritagecenter.org</a>

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#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY VOLUNTEERS

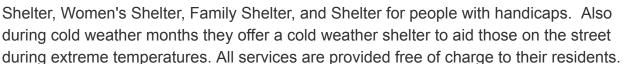
Habitat for Humanity is looking for students to help with their housing projects. The team usually meets on Saturday mornings to work on a house that they are fixing for a family in Cumberland, MD. If you are interested in helping, please fill out the form at: http://www.alleganycountyhfh.org/forms/view/28



## UNION RESCUE MISSION

16 Gulf Memorial Dr, Cumberland, MD 21502

The <u>Union Rescue Mission</u> serves people experiencing homelessness by operating a Men's



Contact: Rev. David Ziler (301)724-1585 or email <a href="mailto:dwziler@gmail.com">dwziler@gmail.com</a>



#### WESTERN MARYLAND FOOD BANK

#### 816 Frederick Street, Cumberland, Maryland, 21502

Volunteers are needed for daily and/or weekly tasks and for specific projects. Reach out to Robin or Wes for volunteer information.

Contact: Wes Loar 301-722-2797 wloar@atlanticbb.net

## <u>TUTORS NEEDED FOR ADULT LEARNERS</u>

GATEWAY CENTER - 112 Baltimore Street, Cumberland, Maryland, US 21502-2344

The Adult Education Program at Allegany College of Maryland provides literacy services, at no cost, to individuals who are below a basic literacy level. Tutors will work with learners who want to improve basic reading and writing skills. As a volunteer tutor, you can help someone read for the first time by creating a learning environment that promotes self-esteem, so adult learners can participate more fully in their community. (Click on "Be An Instructor" to access the sign up form.)



Contact: Deborah Hormuth, 301-784-5447 dkhormuth2@allegany.edu

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## ONLINE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY



ENGin is a global nonprofit building a future in which every young Ukrainian can confidently speak to foreigners in fluent, conversational English. They aim to connect Ukraine to the world in order to propel its postwar reconstruction and longer-term economic & social development.

This one-of-a-kind program pairs Ukrainian youth with English speakers for free online conversation practice and cross-cultural connection. We work with students who are ages 9-35 and volunteers age 14+.

ENGin pairs English learners with volunteers from around the world to conduct weekly online speaking sessions. Every learner and volunteer is screened to ensure their fit for the program. Participants are then matched based on preferences, interests, and availability to ensure an effective and mutually enjoyable communication experience. After a match is made, ENGin supports learners and volunteers throughout their participation in the program with tips, guides, resources, and problem resolution.

# Volunteer Requirements

- 1. Age: Volunteers age 14 and up.
- 2. English fluency: Volunteers should be native English speakers or fluent in English (English level of C1-C2).
- 3. **Commitment**: Volunteers should be ready to dedicate 1 hour a week to ENGin for at least 10-12 weeks. If you're looking for more hours, we can accommodate that too!
- 4. **Technology**: All sessions with students take place online, so volunteers should be comfortable using online video chat platforms such as Zoom, Google Meet, Facetime, etc.

Watch the video for more information, or sign up now, at the registration link below.

Video for volunteers: how to get started

Become a volunteer by registering <u>here</u>.