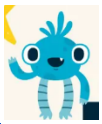
Community Service Opportunities

Please scroll through the listed opportunities below to volunteer in our community.

CUSD Volunteer/Internship and Work Experience Opportunities

Time Sensitive Opportunities:

 **Monster Mash Family Dance** 

Jefferson Elementary School is seeking volunteers for their annual 👻💃monster mash family dance event 🕺🎉.

🗓️Dates: Oct 22, 2026 – Oct 23, 2026

📍Location: 3743 Jefferson Street, Carlsbad, CA

ℹ️For sign up and more details interested volunteers can click **Here**

Volunteer Opportunity: 🐾Paws 4 Thought Animal Rescue 🐶Dog Adoption Events🐶

🐾Paws 4 Thought Animal Rescue🐾 is seeking volunteers for their 🐶Dog adoption events for more ℹ️information and ✅sign up click **HERE**

Volunteer Opportunity- AHLF🎃👻Haunted Corn Maze👻🎃

The Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation is seeking volunteers for their 🎃👻Haunted Corn Maze👻🎃

Every Friday and Saturday night in October, including Halloween!

🗓️**Dates:** October 2nd, 3rd, 9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th, 30th, and 31st

⏰ **Time:** 6:00pm-10:30pm (must stay the entire shift)

📍**Location:** 1050 Cannon Rd, Carlsbad, CA 92008 (Carlsbad Strawberry Company)

ℹ️**Details:**

- Volunteers can sign up alone or with a group or team!
- Pizza and community service hours are provided at the end of the night
- Costumes are provided
- Must be 16+ to Scare, must be 18+ to be Security
- Anyone who signs up for two nights in the same weekend will receive (1) Free Scoop Coupon from Handle's Ice Cream and (1) Free Slice Coupon from Flippin' Pizza (after completing the second shift)!

✅Please contact volunteer@aguahedionda.org for sign up information!

Volunteer Opportunity- 🌱Rooted in Community🌱

The City of Carlsbad is looking for volunteers to participate in a hands-on environmental stewardship event taking place on **October 3rd** as part of San Diego Climate Week.

Event Details

🗓️ Date: Saturday, October 3rd, 2026

⏰ Time: 9am-noon

📍 Where: Agua Hedionda Lagoon Discovery Center

ℹ️ More Information & Registration: Interested students can register at https://luma.com/p6q23yef.

✅Please notify CEA staff of student interest so we can approve the registration.

The Carlsbad Chamber of Commerce is in need of some students (4 or 5) volunteers to help with the **Older & Bolder Expo** on Saturday, October 3 from 9:15 to 1:15 p.m. The event is for senior adults, their families and their caregivers to get information about services that can help their loved ones. There will be three workshops about important topics to

seniors. The event will take place at the Pine Avenue Community Center, 3209 Harding Street, Carlsbad. Contact Carolyn Reinmiller @ at 760-845-2870 if interested.

We can't offer much but service hours and some free ice cream!

San Diego Mental Health Network (October 2026)

View this month's guide highlighting new, local volunteer opportunities—spanning youth mentorship, food distribution, equine therapy, and independent hygiene drives—designed to support student well-being and community engagement.

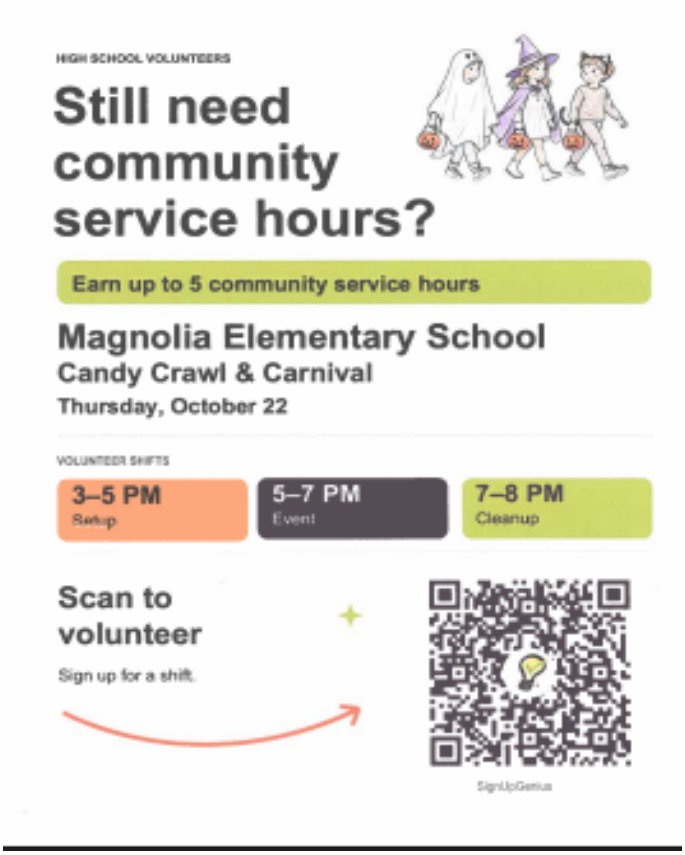
Paws4Thought Animal Rescue:

Ongoing Adoption events with a variety of locations. Please view this SignUp Genius for shifts and information or Contact 858-780-6166 if you are interested in volunteering.

Magnolia Elementary School is seeking volunteers for their Candy Crawl and Carnival Event

🗓️**Thursday October 22**

ℹ️Scan the QR code below for additional information on volunteering.



[Volunteer Opportunity: Ivey Ranch Park's 45th Anniversary Annual Western Hoedown Fundraiser event]

Ivey Ranch Park Association is seeking volunteers for Ivey Ranch Park's 45th Anniversary Annual Western Hoedown Fundraiser event on Saturday, October 10th, 2026

EVENT VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:

Sat. 10/10 in the afternoon/evening

Registration, Western Raffle, Silent Auction, VIP Monitors, VIP Food Servers, Hay Ride Line Monitors, Parking Monitors, Kid's Corral Games, Raffle Ticket Sellers, Bar, Sustainability Team, and more!

SET UP VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:

Set Up on Fri. 10/10 from 8-11AM

Set Up on Fri. 10/10 from 1-4PM

Set Up on Sat. 10/11 from 8-11AM

CLEAN UP VOLUNTEER SHIFTS:

Clean Up on Sat. 10/10 from 8:30-9:30PM (immediately after event)

Clean Up on Sun. 10/11 from 8-11AM

Clean Up on Mon. 10/12 from 8-11AM

Click HERE to register!

If you are looking for a different volunteer day and would like to help with: polishing silverware, folding napkins, cleaning centerpieces, ironing bandanas, napkins, table runners and more; please reach out directly to us at volunteer@iveyranch.com.

JCS Mountain Oaks fall festival

JCS Mountain Oaks is a small charter school that would love volunteer help for our fall festival. Volunteer for set up and tear down, help running booths, over seeing the obstacle course, and check-ins.

There are options for three hours or four hours of volunteer time

⏰**Time:** 2:30pm to 5:30pm

3:30pm to 6:30pm

2:30pm to 6:30pm

Ages 14 up

Interested Volunteers can email jcsmopto@gmail.com to confirm

Jessica Segal PTO President

For any questions or concerns call Jeesica Segal at 661-714-7933



Bike the Coast

Friday October 23 and Saturday, October 24

Scan the QR code below for additional information on volunteering.



Fall Festival

Saturday, October 24, and high school volunteers will help with games, crafts, registration, setup, and other event support.

🗓️**Date:** 10/24/2026 (Saturday)

⏰**Time:** 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm or 3:00-6:00pm (welcome to do either or both)

✅Interested volunteers can text **FALL** to 760-493-7100 to register



Hope Elementary 👹Monster Mash 2026🎉👹

Hope Elementary School is looking for volunteers for their 👹Monster Mash 2026👹

🗓️**Date:** 10/24/2026 (Saturday)

⏰**Time:** 3:30 pm - 7:00 pm

ℹ️For more information and sign up click **HERE**

✅Interested volunteers can contact Sara LaFever at sjl395@gmail.com

to sign up or for ❓additional questions.

Moonlight Amphitheatre "Magic Makers" Volunteers Needed (APRIL 28 – SEPTEMBER 26, 2026)

The Moonlight Cultural Foundation is looking for volunteers age 14 and up (or younger if they work with an adult) to help sell Opportunity Tickets for 90 minutes prior to each show. Positions are also available for merchandising and ushering (must be at least 16). Earn Community Service hours and stay to see the show as our guest. Volunteer Orientation Sunday, April 12 at 3:00 p.m. at the Moonlight Amphitheatre

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Ongoing Opportunities:



ActivCare Bressi Ranch - A Memory Care Community (Ongoing opportunity)

ActivCare, a memory care community in Bressi Ranch, is looking for high school students to volunteer their time to do activities with their dementia residents. These activities may include things like sharing music, doing art, playing games, and more. You can find details and contact information HERE.

Agua Hedionda Lagoon Foundation (Ongoing opportunity)

The AHLF has a variety of volunteer opportunities available for those who would like to donate a few hours of their time, whether it be weekly, monthly or a specific number of hours. We offer

opportunities from ages 16 - 100 of all walks of life. If you are under 16 but would like to volunteer, a parent/guardian must always be present. From administrative tasks, to education, to events, to trails and outdoor projects, we are very flexible with schedules and needs. We do provide opportunities for court required hours and service learning. All volunteers must complete an application. Once you submit the application below you will receive an email confirming the application was received. Please do not just show up without confirming via email. Click HERE to view the current list of available opportunities.

Animal Rescue Resource Foundation (ARRF) (Ongoing opportunity)

A non-profit 501c3 rescue organization, ARRF is looking for volunteers.
Interested volunteers can contact:
Dana Mikel - Animal Rescue Resource Foundation 760-519-5532
arrfsandiegoweb@gmail.com
www.arrfsandiego.org

Birch Aquarium Volunteer and Internship Program (Ongoing opportunity)

Are you a high school student, or recent graduate, looking for invaluable experience, professional connections and unique opportunities? Birch Aquarium is committed to exposing the next generation of ocean conservationists to diverse careers within the field of marine science. We are seeking enthusiastic teens who are interested in science, have excellent communication skills and who are reliable, flexible and eager to learn. As an InterpreTEEN, you will increase visitor awareness of local and global conservation topics, while encouraging a sense of stewardship and connection to the natural world. You will be interacting with visitors of all ages on a regular basis. Volunteers are asked to make a minimum six-month commitment of one 4-hour shift per week.

Buena Vista Elementary - Special Education Preschool

The Special Education preschool at Buena Vista Elementary has adopted a new curriculum this year and they are looking for some help preparing the material.
Interested volunteers can contact Melanie Dahlan at melanie.dahlan@carlsbadusd.net to sign up or for additional questions.

Carlsbad City Library (Ongoing opportunity)

Carlsbad City Library's volunteer program offers numerous ways to give back to the community. Whether helping students with homework or delivering books to those who can't get to the library, volunteers play an integral role in making Carlsbad City Library a terrific place to learn, read and connect with others.

Jefferson Elementary-Reading Support Needed (Ongoing opportunity)

Are you looking for a rewarding way to give back to your community? We need YOU to read to Jefferson Elementary students. Monday-Thursday, flexible times between 9am-2pm.

Helen Woodward Animal Center (Ongoing opportunity)

At Helen Woodward Animal Center, people help animals and animals help people. Our lives are more precious when trust, unconditional love, respect and care exist as the primary bond between animals and one another. Most of the work that is done here would not be possible without our team of dedicated volunteers, who donate their time to help us continue our mission.

There is a wide variety of volunteer opportunities available for anyone looking to join our family. Whether it's walking dogs in Adoptions, lending a hand at one of our local events or helping in our Administrative office, there is something for everyone! Read and learn about the different opportunities available.

Meals on Wheels (Ongoing opportunity)

VOLUNTEERS DELIVER MEALS: The need for volunteers has never been higher, we are always in search of more giving individuals to keep our wheels rolling.

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Seacrest Village Community Service Volunteer Opportunities (Ongoing opportunity)

Seacrest Village offers a wide variety of volunteer opportunities for individuals and groups who enjoy spending time with seniors. Our volunteers find that the relationships they develop with our residents and staff are meaningful and personally rewarding. They realize that they are an integral part of a team that ensures our residents' well-being, both emotionally and physically. In addition to adult volunteers, Seacrest Village Retirement Communities welcomes students fulfilling community service requirements and mitzvah projects, or youth groups and school groups who wish to perform. The minimum age for individual volunteers is twelve years, and volunteers are encouraged to participate on a regular basis. Click HERE for more information.

Plus Box Assembly for North County Families (Ongoing opportunity)

+BOX is looking for volunteers to join us in our Carlsbad warehouse to support +BOX Pack Outs, where we assemble and pack up boxes with healthy and nutritious ingredients for food insecure students and families in our community.
Pack Outs take place on multiple days every week, starting at 4:00pm. Registration is required and can be completed through the link above.

PTSA Volunteer Opportunities for CHS Students (Ongoing opportunity)

Looking for current CHS students interested in communications and to assist with various PTSA sponsored events. This year we are working on health and wellness initiatives, an exterior library enhancement project to benefit students and more.

San Diego Food Bank (Ongoing opportunity)

The Jacobs & Cushman San Diego Food Bank and our North County Food Bank chapter provide nutritious food to people in need, advocate for the hungry, and educate the public about hunger-related issues.

San Diego Zoo Safari Park(Ongoing opportunity)

Conservation Corps is a hands-on program where students will have the opportunity to learn about conservation and environmental issues, develop their communication and critical thinking skills, and participate in community service projects. There is no animal handling or interaction within this program.

Solana Center for Environmental Innovation (Ongoing opportunity)

Follow the link above to view all of the current volunteer opportunities offered through the Solana Center!

Volunteer Match

Find volunteer opportunities near Carlsbad. Utilize the search and filter functions to find opportunities that fit your schedule and areas of interest.

WayZero

Volunteer Program for high school students. This program is open to any students that are interested in Sustainability, Environmental Science, Research and Writing, and Social Media Content Creation. WayZero is San Marcos based non-profit that aims to eliminate plastic from the waste stream by replacing it with sustainable alternatives. Right now, we are working with governments and organizations across the globe to create legislation to further our cause, but we need help.

This past summer WayZero had its first Volunteer Program and now, we are excited to introduce the WayZero Certification Program. This is a three step program that gives students a glimpse into what a career in sustainability and environmental science looks like. The steps include becoming a certified composter, conducting and leading an educational experiment at school,

and helping WayZero create content for social media and blogs, and doing research on up and coming sustainable technologies.

Join us to help make this mission a reality. From blog writing to Social Media content creation, WayZero provides opportunities to help make sustainable history.

To learn more, email internships@wayzero.org