

# Service Opportunities 2025-2026

#### From the Upper School Handbook:

#### Eligible Service

"Students must be engaged in direct, hands-on service with local, not-for-profit organizations. While serving underserved populations is the ideal focus of our program, students may also volunteer with other nonprofit organizations that contribute meaningfully to the community. Minimal fundraising activities are allowed, such as service club fundraisers that fund clubs' service work; and the primary focus of the service learning program should be around direct, hands-on service."

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# How to Log Service Hours

As of April 7, we have transitioned to using Track It Forward to log service hours. Please follow this step by step guide to set up your account, log hours, etc.

https://www.trackitforward.com/site/shorecrest-preparatory-school

Should you have any questions, please contact Dean Alexander at <a href="mailto:salexander@shorecrest.org">salexander@shorecrest.org</a>

# **Virtual Options:**

Honor Flight Cards for Veterans
Cards for Hospitalized Kids

The National Archives (available to 11th and 12th graders): The National Archives is looking for your help! There are over 200 years worth of American historical documents that need to be transcribed/digitized and they are looking for volunteers through their

"Citizen Archivist" initiative. Questions? See Kayla Brazee More information on how to count hours.

# **Event Specific Opportunities**

Positive Impact

Saturday, October 4, 11, 18, 25

Positive Impact Ministries, 9am to Noon

**Tangerine Plaza,** 1770 22nd Street South in St. Petersburg. Volunteers enter off of **22nd Street South** and park where it says, "Volunteer Parking." Sign up to volunteer.

October 11, Keep Pinellas Beautiful (Check out all of their Fall Events!)

Mirror Lake Monthly Cleanup, October 11, Register Here
Treasure Island Monthly Cleanup, October 11, Register Here

Feeding Tampa Bay, Volunteer Calendar

October 4, 11, Warehouse Sorting

Pinellas County Government

Various Opportunities and dates

Middle School After Hours (in-school/on-campus hours)

The Middle School is looking for Upper School students that are responsible, kind, patient, and like working with Middle School students to help with their program after school. 2 students per day, Monday through Friday. Sign up for a day, a couple of days, a week, etc,! Contact Ms. Jeakle with any questions <a href="mailto:kjeakle@shorecrest.org">kjeakle@shorecrest.org</a>. Volunteers need to sign & get their parent signature on the <a href="mailto:MSAH Expectations for US Student Volunteers">MSAH Expectations for US Student Volunteers</a> form.

## Sign Up Sheet for Middle School After Hours

Special Olympics on Saturday, September 20 (Dean Alexander will be taking 12 Shorecrest Students to the Area 5 Fall Classic Competition at Cypress Creek High)

- Saturday, September 20th: Area 5 Fall Classic Competition
  - $\circ\quad \text{Sports: Flag Football, Pickleball, Softball, and Powerlifting}.$
  - o Location: Cypress Creek High School
- Time: 7:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.Fall Classic Competitions
  - Sports: flag football, pickleball, softball, powerlifting, gymnastics

- Potential volunteer tasks: volunteer duties vary based on the sport the group picks.
   General volunteer duties include assisting with skills stations, awards,
   scorekeeping, opening ceremonies, registration, and logistics. Volunteers help run the competition for our athletes.
- Step 1: Email Dean Alexander your interest in participating. Sign Up to Volunteer Here: https://cerv.is/0197rShorecrest

#### **Positive Impact**

Saturday, August 23, 30, September 6, 13, 20, 27, October 4, 11, 18, 25 Positive Impact Ministries, 9am to Noon

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Keep Pinellas Beautiful (Check out all of their Fall Events!)

Labor Day Beach Cleanup @ Treasure Island - Sep. 1st
Monthly Invasive Vegetation Removal @ Folly Farm - Sep. 6th
Monthly SOUL Cleanup @ Mirror Lake - Sep. 13th
Monthly SOUL Cleanup @ Crescent Lake - Sep. 27th
EDGE District Cleanup - Sep. 27th

# **Event Specific Opportunities (Summer)**

### Tampa Bay Watch

There are still spots available in our Summer Service program! The program is scheduled to take place mainly on Tuesday mornings from 9 AM – 12 PM at our headquarters, 3000 Pinellas Bayway South, Tierra Verde, 33715 with a maximum of thirteen volunteers per project. The minimum age to participate is 15 years old. Examples of projects include assisting with native plantings, oyster shell recycling, cleaning fishing line, and coastal cleanups.

Interested students should email Rachel at <a href="mailto:rarndt@tampabaywatch.org">rarndt@tampabaywatch.org</a> with the dates they'd like to participate and a cell phone number. Students can come to one or all of the dates listed: June 10, June 17, June 24, July 1, July 12 Coastal Cleanup, July 19 Ghost Trap Rodeo, July 22 & July 29.

#### Positive Impact

#### Saturday, June 7, 14, 21, 28, Saturday, July 5, 12, 19

Positive Impact Ministries, 9am to Noon

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Feeding Tampa Bay (Tuesdays, Thursdays, Fridays throughout the summer)

#### Sign Up Here

WHAT TO EXPECT: Feeding Pinellas welcomes the community into their free on-site food pantry each Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday. Volunteers will be responsible for assisting guests throughout their shopping experience- check in/paperwork, restocking shelves, shopping assistance, line management, etc.

BEFORE YOU ARRIVE: ALL volunteers MUST wear closed-toe shoes (i.e. boots, sneakers, crocs, etc). Volunteers wearing open-toed shoes (i.e. sandals, flip flops) will not be allowed to volunteer. Appropriate attire includes shirts with sleeves (no tank-tops), and pants, dresses, or shorts of appropriate length.

AGE RESTRICTIONS: The minimum age to volunteer at Trinity Cafe is 16 years old regardless of adult supervision.

LOCATION: Feeding Pinellas, 6330 54th Ave N. St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Pinellas Mobile Pantry with Feeding Tampa Bay, Tuesday, June 17

<u>Go to this site to SIGN UP to Volunteer!</u> (must sign up in advance, spots are limited)

WHAT TO EXPECT: Volunteers will help provide pre-packed meals to our neighbors in need in a drive-thru style distribution. Volunteers can expect to help guide vehicles, load pre-packed meals into vehicle trunks, and any other necessary tasks.

BEFORE ARRIVING: ALL volunteers MUST wear closed-toe shoes (i.e. sneakers) for safety. Volunteers wearing open-toe shoes will not be allowed to volunteer. Recommended attire includes shirts with sleeves (no tank tops), and jeans or shorts of appropriate length. This is an OUTDOOR & OFF-SITE ACTIVITY. The minimum age for this activity is 13+ Masks and gloves will be provided on-site, if needed.

Location: Tropicana Field, Lot 9

Groceries on the Go: Bay Pines VA

<u>Several Summer Dates (Thursdays), click here for details and to sign up!</u> June 12, 26, July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31

WHAT TO EXPECT: Our Groceries on the Go mobile grocery store brings nutritious groceries to neighborhoods that don't have convenient access to healthy foods. Volunteers will help with setup and breakdown, serve as "personal shoppers" on the truck, package grocery selections for our guests, and assist guests by bringing groceries to their vehicles.

BEFORE ARRIVING: ALL volunteers MUST wear closed-toe shoes (i.e. sneakers) for safety. Volunteers wearing open-toe shoes will not be allowed to volunteer. Appropriate attire includes shirts with sleeves (no tank-tops), and jeans or shorts of appropriate length.

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LOCATION: Bay Pines VA,10000 Bay Pines Blvd, Bay Pines, FL 33744

#### Keep Pinellas Beautiful (Check out all of their Summer Events!)

Saturday, May 31, **Saturday, June 28, Saturday, July 26**, Crescent Lake Park, 8:30am to 11:30am, Join Stewards of Our Urban Lakes each month at Crescent Lake Park! <u>Register</u> for May 31.

**Saturday, June 7**, World Oceans Day at Stevenson Creek, 8:30am to 11:30am 1040 Calumet Street Clearwater, FL 33755, Register

#### Sunday, June 8, 9:30am to 11:30am

Join Keep Pinellas Beautiful and Boyd Hill Nature Preserve as we work to beautify the park's rain garden! Register

**Saturday, July 5**, After the 4th Cleanup (Treasure Island Beach and Fort De Soto Park) 8:30am to 10:30am, Treasure Island Beach Sign Up Here! 8am to 11am, Fort De Soto Park, Details and Sign Up Here!

**Saturday, July 12 and Saturday, August 9**, Monthly St. Pete Beach Clean Up at the Tradewinds 8am to 10am, Sign Up Here!

#### Goodwill Industries- Suncoast

#### https://goodwill-suncoast.org/high-school-student-volunteers/

Junior Ambassadors of Goodwill (j.a.g.) program offers high school students a structured volunteer program in 10 Gulf Coast counties: Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Marion, Highlands, Pasco, Hernando, Sumter, Citrus, and Levy.

Also offers Pinellas, Hillsborough and Polk County high school students a structured, week-long summer volunteer program or a structured weekend volunteer program in St. Petersburg. Must be 14 or older.

Email: jag@goodwill-suncoast.com

# Special Olympics Summer Volunteer Opps: Learn more about the events:

### Click Here! To sign up, email: meganswanson@sofl.org

- Bowling Competitions
  - Potential volunteer tasks: volunteers will assist with being a lane monitor, awards, lunch, and logistics

- Saturday, June 28: Bowling Invitational
  - Brandon Crossroads Bowl (609 Crater Ln, Tampa, FL 33619)
  - Time: 7:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, August 2: South Bowling
  - Brandon Crossroads Bowl (609 Crater Ln, Tampa, FL 33619)
  - Time: 7:30 a.m.-3:00p.m.
- Saturday, August 9: North Bowling
  - Bowlero Crystal River (7715 W Gulf to Lake Hwy, Crystal River, FL 34429)
  - Time: 7:30a.m.-3:00 p.m.
- Swimming Competitions
  - o Potential volunteer tasks: Assist with staging, timing, logistics, and awards
  - Saturday, July 26: Area Swim
    - High 5 Inc (405 Beverly Blvd, Brandon, FL 33511)
    - 7:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
  - Sunday, August 24: Regional Swim
    - North Shore Aquatics Complex (901 North Shore Dr NE, Saint Petersburg, Florida 33701)
    - Time: 7:15a.m. 2:30 p.m
- Stand-Up Paddle Board Competition:
  - Friday & Saturday, July 11-12
    - Nathan Benderson Park (5851 Nathan Benderson Cir, Sarasota, FL 34235)
  - Friday & Saturday, August 15- 16
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# Event Specific Opportunities (School Year)

Special Olympics: Learn more about the events: Click Here! To sign up, email: meganswanson@sofl.org

- Fall Classic Competitions
  - Sports: flag football, pickleball, softball, powerlifting, gymnastics
  - Potential volunteer tasks: volunteer duties vary based on the sport the group picks.
     General volunteer duties include assisting with skills stations, awards,
     scorekeeping, opening ceremonies, registration, and logistics. Volunteers help run the competition for our athletes.
- Saturday, September 20th: Area 5 Fall Classic Competition
  - Sports: Flag Football, Pickleball, Softball, and Powerlifting.
  - Location: Cypress Creek High School
  - o Time: 7:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.
- Saturday, October 4th: Regional Fall Classic Competition

- Sports: Flag football, gymnastics, softball, powerlifting, and pickleball
- Location: Tentative at Wiregrass Ranch Sports Campus
- $\circ$  Time: 7:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. -5:00 p.m.
- Golf Competitions
  - Potential volunteer tasks: Assist with skills, logistics, and awards
  - o Sunday, October 12: Area Golf
    - Cove Cay Golf Club (2612 Cove Cay Dr, Clearwater FL 33760)
    - $\blacksquare$  8:00 a.m. -3:00 p.m.
  - o Sunday, October 26: Regional Golf
    - Seven Springs Golf and Country Club (3535 Trophy Blvd Trinity, FL 34655)
    - Time: 8:00 a.m.- 3:00 p.m

# Ongoing Service Opportunities/Youth Volunteer Programs

#### **Goodwill Industries- Suncoast**

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Email: jag@goodwill-suncoast.com

#### Ronald McDonald House

The VolunTEEN Program facilitates service hours for students seeking scholastic service hours for programs such as Bright Futures, NHS, etc. High school students will learn about the history of RMHC, the families served, and daily operations. When possible, they also facilitate children's activities and make treats in the kitchens for the families. Must be at least 15 years old. <a href="https://rmhctampabay.org/student-volunteering/">https://rmhctampabay.org/student-volunteering/</a>

# One Community Grocery Co-Op

The One Community Grocery Co-Op is working to build a community-owned retail grocery store in South St. Petersburg, Florida. The organization provides a place for shopping, gathering, learning about food & nutrition, and supporting local healthy food providers. OCGC is incorporated in the State of Florida as a not-for -profit organization. Volunteer opportunities are listed here.

#### **Positive Impact Ministries**

In partnership with Publix, Sam's Club, Aldi, and The Fresh Market, Positive Impact Ministries distributes FREE groceries every Saturday at Tangerine Plaza in St. Petersburg (corner of 18th Avenue South and 22nd Street South, old Walmart). Sign Up Here!

From sorting food to packing boxes of groceries, every opportunity to do so impacts the well-being of your community.

## Alfred Whitted Airport Preservation Society

Terri Griner from Albert Whitted Airport Preservation Society is looking for students to help archive materials. Contact Ms. Griner at tgriner@icloud.com.

### 15th Street Farm - every Saturday and Sunday

Saturdays 8-11am
Sundays 9am-2pm
Help plant seedlings, weed and care for the crops.

## **Humane Society of Tampa Bay**

Lisa Novorska
Humane Society of Tampa Bay
LisaN@humanesocietytampa.org
O: 813-774-4344 C: 813-625-3475

#### **Benison Farms**

benisonfarm@gmail.com

Address: 2920 26th Ave S, St. Petersburg, FL 33712

Phone: <u>(727)</u> 639-2123

## City of St. Petersburg Library, Parks and Recreation Programs

A range of volunteer opportunities at a variety of locations and events, including <u>Boyd Hill Nature Preserve</u>, <u>Sunshine Center</u>, <u>Enoch Davis Center</u>, the <u>Green Thumb Festival</u>, <u>recreation centers</u> and more.

## **DayStar**

Summer Volunteer Program. Volunteer from 4-20 hours per week in either the Pantry, Edible Garden or Client Closet or all three! See details here.

## **Empath Health**

Empath Health Teen Volunteers: <a href="https://empathhealth.org/teen-volunteers/">https://empathhealth.org/teen-volunteers/</a>
Brighten the day of patients with Companionship visits; help patients record their life stories through the Lifetime Legacies program; throw a birthday, anniversary or anytime party for

patients as a Party Pal; help at one of our Resale Shoppes (Pinellas County); share your organizational and computer skills in one of our administrative offices; assist with our special events; do activities with seniors at our Adult Day Centers, bake cookies for patients; make blankets or crafts for patient visits.

## **Feeding Tampa Bay**

Contact: Shawn Chappell, Volunteer Engagement Manager, <a href="mailto:schappell@feedingtampabay.org">schappell@feedingtampabay.org</a>,

813-417-9226

4702 Transport Drive Building 6, Tampa, FL 33605

FeedingTampaBay.org

#### The Florida Holocaust Museum

The Florida Holocaust Museum is looking to grow its volunteer family. Volunteers serve in various roles including gallery guardian, administrative/office, and event greeter. The minimum age to volunteer at The Florida Holocaust Museum is 15.

Volunteer Sign Up: https://www.thefhm.org/support/volunteer/

### Keep Pinellas Beautiful Ambassador Program

#### **Program Details**

Keep Pinellas Beautiful, located in sunny Pinellas County, Florida, is seeking local leaders to promote environmental stewardship and empower residents to do their part in conserving and beautifying our natural environment! The KPB Ambassador Program is recruiting to help establish, maintain and supervise the gardening, microplastics, education, and cleanup programs.

If you're interested, join one of the virtual informational Zoom sessions bi-weekly on Tuesday at 7pm to learn more about how you can get involved in live events as a KPB Ambassador! The Zoom link will be emailed to you before the session. The orientation is **mandatory** if you would like to join the ambassador program. You must live in the greater Tampa Bay region.

If you have any questions, please contact Anastasia Egelie, Volunteer Specialist, at <u>volunteer@kpbcares.org</u>.

## St. Pete Youth Farm

https://stpeteyouthfarm.org/get-involved

Volunteer Applications available
Youth Ambassador Internship Applications

# St. Pete Free Clinic

Jaclyn Reilly, Human Resources Director: ireilly@thespfc.org, 727-821-1200 Ext 139

Application Required: <a href="https://stpetersburgfreeclinic.org/volunteer/">https://stpetersburgfreeclinic.org/volunteer/</a>

#### St. Vincent DePaul Thrift Store

23399 US Hwy 19 N #1575, Clearwater, FL 33765

Email: Bernice@svdpclearwaterfl.org

## **United Way Suncoast**

https://www.volunteersuncoast.org/

Volunteer Opportunities, Days of Service, etc.

United Way connects you to other nonprofit organizations and initiatives seeking volunteers.

#### Weedon Island Preserve Parkrun

Weedon Island Preserve parkrun is a free, community 5K event entirely organized by volunteers. It is held every Saturday at 8:00 a.m., rain or shine. Volunteer roles include timekeeper, barcode scanner, photographer, and tailwalker – no experience necessary. Email weedonislandpreserve@parkrun.com if you're interested in helping. Additional information about parkrun and descriptions of the different volunteer roles are available here: https://www.parkrun.us/weedonislandpreserve/volunteer/

#### Westminster Palms

If you enjoy engaging with senior citizens, this is the place for you! They offer:

- Year-round and summer positions
- 2-6 hour shifts, flexible hours

Examples of volunteer activities:

- Visiting with residents
- Playing games with residents
- Share any of your talents (crafts, music, tech)
- Assist staff with activities (parties, events, outings, music and more)

Contact: JTRUJILLO@wservices.org

### 15th Street Farm - every Saturday and Sunday

Saturdays 8-11am Sundays 9am-2pm

Help plant seedlings, weed and care for the crops.

### Career Source Pinellas

Summer P.A.Y.S. (Preparing Area Youth for Success) is a summer employment and training program for eligible Pinellas County residents. CareerSource Pinellas has teamed up with local employers to provide a hands-on learning experience, giving students work experience in high-demand industries. Students will also have the opportunity to attend workshops to further develop valuable skills necessary for the workforce. Website to learn more!

# Service Hour Requirements

Per the Shorecrest Upper School Handbook, Upper School students are required to earn and report 25 hours annually as a graduation requirement. Out of the 25 hours per year, up to 10 may be earned within Shorecrest with approval from the US Head Dean. The limit of 10 hours also applies to Shorecrest Summer Programs - where students often serve as camp counselors, the theatre program, and student ambassadors/tour guides for Admissions. Other programs may be approved on a case-by-case basis. The 100 community service hours required for graduation also count towards the requirement for the Florida Bright Futures scholarship program. Any questions about student hours and the requirements will be addressed by the US Head Dean. Any arrangements for missing or make-up hours are made by the students working with the US Head Dean.

## How to View

The instructions below will guide you through the process of checking your service hours in the new FACTS database. All approved hours from previous school years and this past summer have been transferred, but any hours entered into the new Google form still need to be manually entered. For juniors and seniors, your College Counselor will input your hours, while freshmen and sophomores will have hours entered by Dean Alexander. Please be patient with this process. If you notice any missing hours from prior school years, please reach out to Dean Alexander for assistance. If you have trouble accessing FACTS, please reach out to Dr. Baralt.

#### HOW TO ACCESS SERVICE HOUR PORTAL IN FACTS

- Go to the FACTS Family Portal at https://familyportal.renweb.com/?DistrictCode=sps-fl.
- 2. The district code is SPS-FL.
- 3. Once you are logged in, select Family > Family Home.

- 4. From the Family Members dropdown list, select your name.
- 5. Your service hours will appear on your portal page.





