



WHATCOM VOLUNTEER CENTER

Court-Ordered Community Service Opportunities

* Opportunities for youth (17 and under)

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Communications				
Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Bellingham Technical College	Adult Basic Education Tutor*	Assist instructor by tutoring individuals and small groups in math, reading, writing, or computer skills.	Roz Spitzer	360-752-8422 rspitzer@btc.ctc.edu
American Museum of Radio & Electricity	PR Media Specialist	Research museum events, write press releases, update website, poster design & composition	Barbara Smith	360-738-3886 barbs@amre.us
Sean Humphrey House	Outreach	Help reach out to the community and assist with table events, fundraising, and recruitment of other volunteers. Volunteer orientation & training provided.	Morgan Rydland	360-733-0176 volunteershh@comcast.net
Birch Bay State Park	Naturalist/Interpreter*	Help w/ interpreter program @ Birch Bay State Park. Help Rangers lead visitors on wildlife tours, bird watching, or identify beach animals.	Ted Morris	360-371-2800 Birch.Bay@parks.wa.gov
American Museum of Radio & Electricity	AMRE Work Party Helper*	Strong group needed to help organize the Science Education department. Onsite supervision with staff.	Barbara Smith	360-738-3886 barbs@amre.us

Errands or Chores				
Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Bellingham Food Bank	Small Potatoes Gleaning Project, Gleaning Volunteer*	Harvest fruits & vegetables for Whatcom County hunger relief organizations. Ages 12+ welcome. Bonus: take produce home with you! 3 hour shifts.	Dorothy Mitchell	360-676-1655 dorothym@bellinghamfoodbank.org
Blue Skies for Children	Mailing Party*	Blueskies needs quarterly help with folding, labeling, and stuffing newsletters. Work with other volunteers one time or once a month, call to find out when next mailing will be.	Julie Guay	360-756-6710 julie@Blueskiesforchildren.org
Virtual Furniture Bank	Furniture Bank Donors*	Donate quality & needed items. Call if you have furniture or household items to donate.	Rebecca Rayner	360-224-7185 rebeccar@whatcomvolunteer.org
American Museum of Radio & Electricity	Media Collection Organizer*	Preserve, organize, catalog and digitize AMRE's vast media collection which contains various forms of audiomedias from Edison Wax Cylinders to CDs.	Barbara Smith	360-738-3886 barbs@amre.us
Whatcom Volunteer Center	House 2 Home Network Furniture Bank Deliverer*	Use your muscles and large vehicle to help donated furniture get to a person/family who has been recently housed out of homelessness. Work on your own schedule.	Rebecca Rayner	360-734-3055 rebeccar@whatcomvolunteer.org

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Blue Skies for Children	Errands Volunteer	Need help every week with running errands. Mileage reimbursement included. Must have own vehicle, driver's license and insurance. Thursdays at noon preferred but will work with your schedule.	Julie Guay	360-756-6710 julie@blueskiesforchildren.org
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Food Prep				
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Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Bellingham Community Meals	Kitchen and Dining Room Help*	Help needed for Community Meals once a month from January to October 2010 on the last Sunday of the month. Cook, clean and serve in 2-3 hour shifts between 8am-6pm.	Kasey Potzler	360-647-5114 2kayaks@gmail.com
Ferndale Community Meal	Server, cleaner, clean-up crew*	Serve food, clear dishes, general clean-up. Need 10 people for ongoing opportunity between 9:45-1pm: March 27, April 10 & 24, May 8 & 22, June 12 & 26.	Annette Kraft	360-303-4058 fcm.ferndale@gmail.com
Bellingham Community Meals	Cookie Baker*	Bake for us! Baked goods are needed once a month from Jan. - Oct. 2010 on the last Sun. of the month. Bake at your home, then deliver baked good to Assumption gym on Meal Sundays between 9am-	Kasey Potzler	360-647-5114 2kayaks@gmail.com
Soups On	Cooks, Cooks Helper, Servers	Cooking and helping with meals for those in need - preparation, serving, and clean-up. Serve 40-80 people for meals. On the job training, supervisor is always present.	Joann Derus	360-647-1949 soupson.bellingham@gmail.com

Fundraising				
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Northwest Youth Services	Gift Certification Solicitation*	In person, go to businesses and request donations of a gift certificate of a minimum of \$25 for NWYS. Ages 16+. Mileage used can be a tax write-off.	Riannon Bardsley	360-734-9862 riannonb@nwys.org
Sean Humphrey House	Cinco de Mayo Event Planner	Help in planning annual fundraiser. Receive basic volunteer training. Get invited to the Sean Humphrey House volunteer party.	Morgan Rydland	360-733-0176 volunteershh@comcast.net

Mentoring				
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Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
A Watered Garden	Children's Mentor*	Tutor children of adult learners in fun learning activities. M, W, Th from 6pm-8pm or W 2pm-4pm.	Cheryl Ann Brown	360-966-7504 awateredgardenflc@comcast.net
Boys & Girls Club Blaine	Club Volunteer*	Interact with Club members. Play pool, ping pong, arts & crafts, teach piano, etc. Help with education and homework.	Karin Schulhauser	360-332-3008 kschulhauser@whatcomclubs.org

Outdoor and Restoration				
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Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association	Streamside Habitat Restoration Work Party*	NSEA works with 8 or more volunteers of all ages & experience levels to restore streamside habitat for wild salmon along the banks of rivers and streams throughout Whatcom County. Tools &	Lindsay Taylor	360-715-0283 ltaylor@n-sea.org
Common Threads Farm	Farm Hand*	Your help in preparing our gardens set the stage for children to engage in where their food comes from □ seed □ table □ as they plant, tend, harvest, cook, and eat with us during the spring and	Laura Plaut	360-927-1590 laura@commonthreadsfarm.org

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Bellingham Parks & Recreation	Squalicum Creek Nursery Work Party*	Mar 20 or 27. 9am-12pm. Lend a hand potting bare root plants for future restoration sites in our parks and greenways. Park in Squalicum Creek Park parking lot off of Squalicum Parkway across	Rae Edwards	360-778-7105 redwards@cob.org
Bellingham Parks & Recreation	Connelly Creek at Happy Valley Park Volunteers*	Mar 27. 9am-12pm. Join us as we work with NSEA to improve wildlife habitat along Connelly Creek. by removing invasive plants, replacing them with native vegetation and mulching. Park at the Market of	Rae Edwards	360-778-7105 redwards@cob.org
Volunteer Chore Program	Chore Work Party*	Help a senior or adult with disabilities live independently. Opportunities include yard work, housework, organizing, etc.	Aly Hoover	360-734-3055 alyssah@whatcomvolunteer.org
Boys & Girls Club Blaine	Club Clean-Up*	Clean up or work to maintain the building and grounds. Can include painting, gardening, small repairs, etc.	Karin Schulhauser	360-332-3008 kschulhauser@whatcomclubs.org
Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association	NSEA Nursery Work Party*	May 1, 9-12pm. Join NSEA staff and our Washington Conservation Corps crew as we ready the nursery for the summer season. Help us pot up bare-root plants and organize our native plant nursery.	Lindsay Taylor	360-715-0283 ltaylor@n-sea.org
Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association	NSEA Connelly Creek Work Party*	Mar 27, 9-12pm. Join NSEA & the City of Bham Parks Volunteer Program to remove non-native, invasive plant species & plant new native shrubs along Connelly Creek. Parking is available in the	Lindsay Taylor	360-715-0283 ltaylor@n-sea.org
Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association	NSEA Volunteer*	Get involved! volunteer possibilities include streamside habitat restoration, stormdrain marking, environmental education programs, water quality/quantity monitoring, biological surveys, graphic design,	Lindsay Taylor	360-715-0283 ltaylor@n-sea.org
Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association	NSEA Whatcom Creek Work Party at Maritime	Join NSEA and the City of Bellingham Parks Volunteer Program as we work to improve natural habitat for salmon and other wildlife at Maritime Heritage Park. We will be removing non-native, invasive	Lindsay Taylor	360-715-0283 ltaylor@n-sea.org
Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association	NSEA Earth Day Work Party at Terrell Creek*	April 24, 9-12pm. Help NSEA and the Chums of Terrell Creek restore habitat for coho and chum salmon by planting native trees and shrubs along Terrell Creek in Blaine (exit 266).	Lindsay Taylor	360-715-0283 ltaylor@n-sea.org
Nooksack Salmon Enhancement Association	NSEA Terrell Creek Work Party*	April 10, 9-12pm. Help NSEA and the Whatcom County Marine Resources Committee restore streamside habitat along the banks of Terrell Creek in Birch Bay State Park by planting native trees and	Lindsay Taylor	360-715-0283 ltaylor@n-sea.org

Recreation

Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Bellingham Healthcare & Rehabilitation Center	Musician*	Provide music to a group or 1-on-1 in either the main facility or the Special Care Unit for Alzheimer's Disease. Training included on interacting w/ people w/ Dementia. ages 16+.	Bonnie Karb	360-734-9295 bgkarb@comcast.net
Animals As Natural Therapy	Animal Care Provider	Care for horses, small animals, and llamas by grooming and maintaining these animals and their habitats. Care manual, orientation, and supervision provided on the job.	Sonja Wingard	360-671-3509 animalsasnaturaltherapy@comcast.net

Repair and Maintenance

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RE Store	Volunteer Field Crew	Assist in picking up materials at residences and businesses in Bellingham and around Whatcom County. Remove nails from salvaged materials. 3+ hours at a time.	Richard Chrappa	360-647-5921 richc@re-store.org
RE Store	Community Service Volunteer	Variety of tasks involved including heavy lifting, distribution of donations, cleaning, loading/unloading.	Richard Chrappa	360-647-5921 richc@re-store.org
Birch Bay State Park	Maintenance Assistant*	Help Birch Bay State Park with painting (both interior and exterior), automotive maintenance, building maintenance, revegetation of campground and more.	Ted Morris	360-371-2800 Birch.Bay@parks.wa.gov
Habitat for Humanity Whatcom County	Work Party Home Builder*	Work parties weekly! Help build a home for low-income families. Need volunteers of all skill levels to help with construction. Fridays and Saturdays from 8:30 am - 3:00 pm.	Kayli Nielson	360-715-9170 kaylin@hfwhatcom.org
American Museum of Radio & Electricity	Maintenance Volunteer	Perform cleaning & daily maintenance duties at the facility. This includes cleaning restrooms, floors, windows and displays. Coordinating & setting up event space for meetings, tours or special	Tana Granack	360-738-3886 Tana@amre.us

Sales

Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Habitat for Humanity Whatcom County	Homestore Outlet Retail*	Retail merchandising - pricing, cleaning, internet ad placement, donation pick-ups, customer service & cashiering, building cleaning & maintenance.	Kayli Nielson	360-715-9170 kaylin@hfwhatcom.org

Special Event Help

Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Leg Volunteers*	Mar 30. Shifts vary. Work with the Leg Chair for help with crowd control, parking lot assistance setting up the equipment (i.e. traffic cones, signage, etc.) Some May 29 shifts.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Equipment Transfer*	May 20-29. Shifts vary. Need strong volunteers who can help us transfer equipment.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com
YMCA	Birch Bay Road Race Event Help*	Mar 27. Shifts between 5:30am-11am. Packet building, registration, race set-up, take-down, transition, run course, finish line. T-shirts & food provided. Ages 10+ please.	Lynne Hoskins	360-499-1903 lynne@totalhealthevents.com
City of Bellingham	World Water Day Volunteer*	March 21. Get a free stainless steel water bottle! 3 vol.s needed to set up 8-10am. 2 vol.s needed for event tables 11-1pm. 3 vol.s needed to clean up 1-2:30pm. Ages 17+ welcome. Some heavy	Teagan Ward	360-778-7972 teward@cob.org
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Distribute Marketing Materials*	May 1. Shifts between 9am-5pm. Help hang posters about Ski to Sea in various areas.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Packet Assembler*	May 24 & 25. 4 hour shifts between 10am-6pm. Assemble racer packets.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com

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Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Packet Pickup*	May 28 10am-5pm & May 29 12pm-5pm. Work with a team to pass out racer packets as racers arrive for the big race. Need 12 volunteers total.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Race Timer*	May 23-29. 12pm-5pm. And May 30, 9am-6pm. Help monitor race timing. Need to attend a short training session before the race.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Video Recorder*	Mar 30. Shifts vary. Ideally, we would like volunteers with their own video camera to shoot footage at all of the locations of the race this year!	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Finish Line*	Mar 30, 3pm-7pm. Shifts vary. at Marine Park. Help with running Ski to Sea Booth & counting spectators. Help with crowd management on a minimal level.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com
Whatcom Events - Home of the World Famous Ski to Sea	Helper to Race Photographer*	May 30, 5am-2pm, shifts vary. Photography enthusiasts! Come assist the official race photographer shoot photos up on the mountain. Must be able to ski.	Mandy McCalley	360-318-7332 volunteer@skitosea.com

Teaching

Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Common Threads Farm	School Garden Assistant*	Assist classroom teachers and a garden educator in developing & maintaining school gardens, & delivering garden-based educational programs.	Laura Plaut	360-927-1590 laura@commonthreadsfarm.org

Transportation

Organization	Opportunity Title	Description	Contact Person	
Virtual Furniture Bank	Delivery Volunteer*	Delivering furniture from donor to customer. Treating donors & customers respectfully. Volunteer on an as-needed basis. Must be able to lift heavy objects. 15+ welcome.	Rebecca Rayner	360-224-7185 rebeccar@whatcomvolunteer.org

Tutor

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A Watered Garden	ESL Tutor	Tutor non-native English speakers in basic, intermediate and advance English. M, W, Th 6pm-8pm.	Cheryl Ann Brown	360-966-7504 awateredgardenflc@comcast.net