

9/11 Day of Service & Remembrance NEW YORK STATE

Capital District Regional Volunteer Center

The Stakeholders, Inc.: 9/11 Day of Service & Remembrance

Sunday, September 11, 9 am - 4 pm (2-hour shifts during these hours)

September 11, 2011 marks the 10th Anniversary of the 9/11 attacks, as well as a federally recognized National Day of Service and Remembrance. In observance of this important and historic milestone, thousands of groups and millions of individuals across the country will pay tribute by participating in the single-largest expression of charitable service in American history.

In partnership with the Regional Food Bank of Northeastern New York, The Stakeholders will take part in this day of service by hosting volunteers at the Food Bank's warehouse in Latham and the Patroon Land Farm in Voorheesville. Volunteer opportunities are not limited to individuals – we are seeking families, corporate groups and any other type of group who wants to team up for a great cause.

If you're interested in being a part of this monumental event, here's what you need to do:

1. Pick a time that you can volunteer and your preferred volunteer task (shifts: 9am, 11am or 1pm).

Volunteer opportunities include:

- * Collect drive donations at the Regional Food Bank
- * Sort and repack donations at the Regional Food Bank
- * Volunteer at the farm
- * Donate to food drive by dropping off donations at the Food Bank (anytime Sunday)

2. Pick a site (Regional Food Bank of Northeastern NY in Latham or the Food Bank Farm in Voorheesville).

Regional Food Bank of Northeastern NY (965 Albany Shaker Road. Latham, NY 12110)

Patroon Land Farm (153 Ketchem Road Voorheesville, NY 12186)

BackPack Program Food Drive

Can't Volunteer on 9/11? A food drive will also take place that weekend, targeted at collecting food for the BackPack Program which sends hungry children home from school with items on Fridays to ensure they have food to eat on weekends. People are encouraged to purchase peanut butter (in plastic), jelly (in plastic), boxed macaroni and cheese, juice boxes, and shelf-stable milk in 8-ounce boxes and bring it to the Food Bank on September 11. Those wishing to learn more about the food drive can contact Bob Baker by email <mailto:bobb@regionalfoodbank.net> or by calling 518-786-3691, x296.

Mohawk Valley Regional Volunteer Center

The Parkway Senior Center Day of Service begins on Friday September 9th with a prayer breakfast. On September 11th there will be a Remembrance Ceremony at 8:30 am until 8:46 am. The service project is from 9 am to 1 pm. We will be collecting, sorting, packing and distributing non-perishable food for veterans and their families and for local food banks. At 2:00 pm there will be a formal closing ceremony where the volunteers will also be honored for their service and provided information about the needs in the community for volunteers.

We expect at least 200 volunteers. We have 12 community partners including local government, media and business.

Date: September 11th

Location: 8:30 am Memorial Parkway 9/11 Memorial Utica, NY
9 am - 1 pm 220 Memorial Parkway Utica, N
2 pm Hanna Park Utica, NY

Contact: Kari Johnson, kjohnson@oneidacountyrsvp.org 315-223-3973

Mid-Hudson Regional Volunteer Center

Serve and Learn: Westchester Remembers 9/11

The families of 9/11 victims have called for acts of service and remembrance to honor their loved ones and the heroes who rose up from the tragedy of Sept. 11. Westchester County and The Volunteer Center of United Way ask local residents to say "I will" in a variety of ways throughout the day. *Serve* by signing up to volunteer at projects taking place throughout the event (including bringing an item for a food drive, giving blood, painting a mural, learning CPR, preparing art therapy bags, and much more). *Learn* about ongoing volunteer service opportunities at hundreds of nonprofits. Come to learn. Sign up to Serve. Spread the word. Details at http://www.volunteer-center.org/volunteers/9_9volunteer.html

Date: Friday, September 9, 2011 (2-7 PM)

Location: County Center
198 Central Avenue
White Plains, NY
Free Admission and Parking

We expect to engage at least 500 volunteers in action in addition to hundreds that will be involved in representing the nonprofits registered for the event. The Volunteer Center is partnering with Westchester County. Corporate supporters for this event are Con Edison, Key Bank, The Rollins Agency and Chase Bank. In addition, Optimum Lightpath is providing technical support and Robison Oil Company is providing enhanced outreach through public service announcements. For more information contact Brenda Wilkin, Brenda@volunteer-center.org, 914-948-4452

Western NY Regional Volunteer Center

Service Collaborative of Western New York

The Volunteer Center at The Service Collaborative of WNY, Inc. has partnered with Team Depot (the Home Depot Volunteer Team) to honor and engage in the renovation of OE16. Together, they will be participating in the rehab of a veteran's complex bolstered by the skilled-labor of Team Depot. Over the years, wheelchairs have deteriorated the living spaces and are very hard on necessary fixtures. The floors need

to be replaced, the toilets are coming loose, there are several holes in the drywall, the countertops are worn down, and sinks are cracking. The building lacks the energy efficient measures to keep costs down and the exterior landscape is in dire need of repair. OE16 is a 9-unit housing complex for disabled veterans and elderly citizens. This firehouse is one of four sites operated by the Western New York Veterans Housing Coalition (WNYVHC). WNYVHC has provided services for countless veterans for almost two decades, serving over 2,000 veterans with special needs in the WNY region. The rehabilitation of the OE16 project will have a direct impact veterans and military families. New York State has the highest number of veterans and WNY has the highest concentration of veterans per capita than any other region.

AmeriCorps Members, AmeriCorps Alums, Team Depot, and recruited community volunteers will participate in the rehabilitation of OE16. This project will take place during the week of 9/11 Day of Service starting on Thursday, 9/8/11 through Friday, 9/9/11. Our signature event will be held on Friday, 9/9/11 where the project will come to a close and a "Thank You" celebration and remembrance for our volunteers, 9/11 victims active duty military and veterans, and their families.

We will encourage community members, local governmental and non-governmental agencies, and media outlets to promote and participate in this project.

Date: September 9th, 2011 (9 am)

Location: Old Engine #16 Firehouse Veterans Complex (OE16)

1416 Main Street Buffalo, NY 14209

Contact: ABartoszek@TSCWNY.org

New York City Regional Volunteer Center 9/11 Day of Service at the JCC in Manhattan

Please join the JCC staff, members, and neighbors on the tenth anniversary of the tragedies of September 11, a day when all Americans are encouraged to voluntarily set aside time to help others in need. Organized community service activities will take place in and outside of our building in remembrance of the events of 9/11. Projects may be located at the JCC or on the Upper West Side, in Harlem, Washington Heights, or the Bronx. In the past, volunteers have cleaned schools, done filing and administrative work, helped rearrange classrooms, cooked for homeless shelters, done friendly visiting at senior centers, painted walls, organized clothing at thrift stores, made joke books for kids in hospitals, cleaned up city parks, and set up storage spaces in churches.

Sign up for this special event in advance and then choose your project on the morning of the event. Breakfast will be served. There will be projects appropriate for people of all ages and abilities.

Date: Sunday, September 11, from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm.

Contact: Judy Gross, Director of Literacy, Math, and Volunteer Programs

(646) 505-4450

jgross@jccmanhattan.org

Create cards for 9/11 National Day of Service

800 volunteers will help to prepare and deliver food packages (provided by DOROT) to a DOROT senior and stay for a visit. Each package will have a hand-made card to commemorate the day. Your creative contributions will be part of 9/11 National Day of Service, the single largest day of charitable service in U.S. history in tribute to the 10th Anniversary of 9/11. Our hope is that the cards mark the day and give hope for a better tomorrow.

Some additional tips for 9/11 Day of Service Cards

- Cards should have **9/11 National Day of Service** printed inside or on the cover
- Cards should have a positive, uplifting theme
- Cards may reflect patriotic values
- Please "sign" the back of the card with your first name and age and/or the name of your group and where you are from. DOROT receives cards from all over the country. Seniors enjoy knowing where and from whom the cards are from.
- Finished cards should be mailed or brought to DOROT by September 1, 2011

Please visit our website to find more information about this program at www.dorotusa.org/911DayOfService

Contact: Carrie Jacobs, Volunteer Services, 212-769-2850, volunteers@dorotusa.org

National Day of Service and Remembrance

In honor of September 11th, National Day of Service, our program is hosting the CVM AmeriCorps Day of Outreach. The Pace Community and Volunteer Mobilization AmeriCorps program began in the wake of the attacks on the World Trade Center, in an effort to help the community in lower Manhattan and Chinatown address needs for their recovery and revitalization. In honor of our program history and name as well as the history of September 11th, we are taking the day to reach out to the neighborhood to raise awareness about our programs, to mobilize the community in service and engage them in our initiatives as well as those of our partner organizations. This event will be an exciting way to inform members in the community about the multitude of programs, services, classes, and volunteer opportunities that they can get involved with in Lower Manhattan and Chinatown. In addition to CVM AmeriCorps, partner sites joining us include the Chinese-American Planning Council (CPC), Chinatown YMCA Hester Street Center, American Cancer Society, Asian Initiatives, Liberty Partnerships Program (LPP), and the Confucius Institute at Pace University (CI). CVM AmeriCorps friends, Jumpstart at Pace, College Access Consortium of New York (CACNY), Tribute WTC 9/11, and the Bowery Mission are also planning on attending. The day will enable those who are unfamiliar with programs and opportunities to learn and engage in important discussions about resources at their disposal in their own neighborhood. Additionally, in the spirit of the day, attendees will have the opportunity to partake in special volunteer initiatives such as donating canned food to the Bowery Mission, and creating "Thank you" cards for our service men and women. We look forward to this exciting event and are anticipating a great turnout!

Date: September 11, 11am - 4 pm.

Contact: Jacklynn Stern, Volunteer Coordinator
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<https://www.facebook.com/cvm.americorps>

Finger Lakes Regional Volunteer Center

Since September 11, 2001, our country has experienced the difficult economic aftermath of such a devastating tragedy. Many people have since lost their jobs and find themselves in need of assistance with food, shelter and basic necessities. Indeed, Foodlink—our regional food bank—has seen a steady increase in individuals relying on emergency food over the past several years. On behalf of Foodlink's new volunteer program initiative, *The Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Volunteer Center*, we will be participating in the Day of Service in Remembrance of 9/11 and extending our normal volunteer hours.

Over 40 volunteers join us in sorting through donated food, which comes from various retail stores and private donors. This product gets allocated to over 450 agencies from the 10 counties of the Genesee/Finger Lakes Region and is distributed to help families facing hunger.

We are thankful to have the University of Rochester, CUPP (Community/University Partnership Project), the Faith Community Alliance, Project Urge, Nazareth, City of Rochester, COAE, Progress Rochester, United Way, RACF; and other community partners supporting us with this endeavor.

Date: Sunday, September 11th, 9:00-12:00 pm

Location: Foodlink, 936 Exchange St., Rochester, NY 14608

Contact: Sheila Williams, (585) 328-3380 ext. 121 or email at swilliams@foodlinkny.org

Southern Tier Regional Volunteer Center

Volunteers will be presenting to middle-school aged youth at three AmeriCorps placement sites in Steuben County. One AmeriCorps member and a staff member will sit with the youth (primarily middle school age) and give a brief introduction about the events of 9/11. The AmeriCorps member and the staff member will ask the students if they remember anything about the day and then will hand out different stories that can be read aloud by the youth that are written by people who were there on 9/11. This will be followed with a discussion/reflection about the youths' reactions towards the story and to the actual event as well. We'll end with a debriefing on the importance of having community conversations that encourage listening and understanding each other. We are working with three different community partner agencies to put this event on. Each agency is providing one staff member to work with the AmeriCorps member to facilitate the discussion with the youth.

Date/Location:

September 8: Hornell Area Concern For Youth at 4:30pm

September 9: Corning Youth Center at 3:30pm

Contact: Christine Bullard, bullardc@ihsnet.org, 607-776-9467 ext. 229

Long Island Regional Volunteer Center

Health & Human Services Blood Drive to commemorate September 11:

The Long Island Volunteer Center will partner with the Nassau County Firefighters Museum, Long Island Blood Services, Long Island Volunteer Center, and Pink Heals Foundation. Nassau County Firefighters Museum (www.ncfiremuseum.org) is dedicating a memorial at the museum to lost firefighters from September 11 the weekend before the blood drive and will be announcing it to all the firehouses across Long Island as well as the 1000 expected attendees to the memorial service; Long Island Blood Services (www.nybloodcenter.org) is experiencing a blood shortage and will be promoting the blood drive on the website; Pink Heals Foundation (www.pinkheals.org) is a support group for young women with cancer and will be bringing pink firetrucks for a 5 pm rally and offering free mammography exams during the day; Long Island Volunteer Center will be checking in all volunteer blood donors and promoting volunteer opportunities across Long Island to all attendees to the event, plus doing all pre-event promotion to LIVC constituencies (public, private and government partners).

Date: Monday, September 19, noon to 7 pm

Location: Nassau County Firefighters Museum
One Davis Drive, Garden City, New York 11530

Yeshiva AmeriCorps Program

Project LEAD 9/11 Day of Service and Remembrance

In the week prior to 9/11, we will have the teachers in our schools teach and discuss patriotism, service to the community, and the nobility of good deeds.

- In the younger grades, the children will collect new and gently used toys for sick children in hospitals or bedridden in their homes. We will be working with two community agencies that will assist us in this undertaking, especially with the toy distribution.
- In the older grades, the kids will volunteer at two local senior citizen facilities. They will entertain the patients with mini performances and assist in lunch and supper feedings.

We will have approximately eight AmeriCorps and roughly 20 volunteers assist us in this meaningful project.

Contact: zgombo@yrypupa.org or 718-963-1212.

Genesee County AmeriCorps Program

Genesee County AmeriCorps is partnering with RSVP of Genesee County and the Genesee Region Citizen Corps Council to coordinate an event on the 9/11 Day of Service and Remembrance. In keeping with the theme "A Time to Remember, a Time to Prepare", AmeriCorps members and RSVP volunteers will be at Home Depot in Batavia, NY from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. on Sunday September 11 to help local citizens honor those who serve as well as learn how to prepare for emergencies. Residents will be able to write messages of support and memories of 9/11 on a large banner that will be displayed at several different locations during the month of September. Emergency preparedness information will be distributed. Donations of emergency supplies will be collected and given to senior citizens.

For more information, contact Kathy Frank at 585-344-3960 or kfrank@co.genesee.ny.us

Jumpstart AmeriCorps Program

The Jumpstart Hunt's Point Literacy Fair is a community event for young children and families in the Hunt's Point community in the Bronx. The event will be a fun afternoon of literacy activities for children. The activity stations will mirror activities that happen in early childhood classrooms and the Jumpstart session. Families can find out more about the learning that happens in preschool classrooms and how the Jumpstart program works. Volunteers will help children complete the activities and interact with family members. We are hoping to engage 30 volunteers. We are currently working on recruiting the volunteers from both AmeriCorps and other sources. Jumpstart is working with the following organizations on this event: NYC Parks Recreation Center, Project H.O.P.E, Hunt's Point Alliance for Children

Date: September 10th, 12pm-4pm (Volunteers will need to arrive at 11am.)

Location: Hunt's Point Recreation Center, 765 Manida Street, Bronx, NY.

Contact: Barbara Alicea, barbara.alicea@jstart.org, (212) 868-2526x14

City Year New York AmeriCorps Program

City Year New York will be completing a few light construction projects at LaGuardia and Rutgers Houses on September 11 including: expansion of community garden planter beds, storage cubbies and bookshelves, in addition to both interior and exterior painting and muraling. We hope to have complete projects by the end of next week. We are meeting with resident association presidents and supervisors of each property next week. This event is strictly open to our City Year New York Corps Members – 254 Corps Members. It is not open to the public.

Date: 9.11.11, 11am to 3pm,

Location: LaGuardia and Rutgers Houses, NYCHA, 200 Madison Street, New York, NY 10002

Contact: Maris Goodstein, mgoodstein@cityyear.org, 646.452.3652

Met Council AmeriCorps Program

As part of the *National Day of Service and Remembrance* and in honor of the 10th anniversary of 9/11, Met Council will be conducting several community service projects that focus on creating safer and better prepared communities at our senior housing sites. Volunteers will be responsible for creating important emergency preparedness resources (like medical ID cards and photocopies of important documents) and distributing informational hand-outs covering such emergencies as fire, extreme heat, thunderstorms, and flu viruses. The aim of the projects is to educate low income seniors on how to be prepared for different emergency situations.

Date: 09/11/11 12pm-2pm

Location: New York City zip codes 10021, 10023, 11224

3 AmeriCorps members

60 targeted volunteers

Contact: Kelley Baldwin, 212-453-9675, kbaldwin@metcouncil.org

New York Juvenile Justice Corps

On Monday, September 12th the New York Juvenile Justice Corps will host an event to bring the Red Hook community together in honor of those who were lost and those who rose in service in response to the terrorist attacks of 9-11. Red Hook is directly across the East River from Ground Zero, and residents still remember watching in horror as the towers fell 10 years ago. Volunteers and emergency officials from the neighborhood were among the first to arrive, including Red Hook's Engine 202 Ladder 101, known today as "Seven in Heaven" because all seven firemen in the truck were lost in the attack. After the attacks, local residents, Court Officers, and AmeriCorps members organized supply collections for first responders and helped with the cleanup effort at Ground Zero.

Volunteers from the Red Hook Community Justice Center, high-school members of the Red Hook Youth Court, Court Officers and community members will join Corps Members for a service project with Friends of Firefighters. Friends of Firefighters is a community-based organization in Red Hook which was formed by a small group of volunteers who offered relief to firefighters in the days following 9-11 and continue to serve the firefighting community today. Volunteers will also gather at the Justice Center for a brief program to recount memories of the day and stories of heroism and selflessness of the rescue workers and volunteers. Volunteers will also deliver homemade baked goods to the local police precincts and firehouses in recognition of their daily service to the Red Hook community. 60 AmeriCorps Members and Volunteers will

be involved. Community Partners Involved: Friends of Firefighters, the Red Hook Youth Court, New York State Office of Court Administration and Court Officers, the Red Hook Community Justice Center, and Women in Touch.

Date: September 12th, 2011 2:00-6:00

Location: Red Hook Community Justice Center (88 Visitation Place Brooklyn, New York 11231)
Friends of Firefighters (199 Van Brunt Street Brooklyn, New York 11231)

Contact: Viviana Gordon, New York Juvenile Justice Corps Coordinator, vgordon@courts.state.ny.us, 718-923-8274.

Oswego AmeriCorps

Oswego AmeriCorps is organizing a reading event and food drive to be held at Fort Ontario in Oswego. The Oswego Book Mobile will be there - AmeriCorps members and community volunteers will be doing read alouds for children. We will utilize books with patriotic themes in addition to ones that pay tribute to heroes in our country. We will ask youth and families attending to contribute canned goods that will be donated to local food pantries. Right now we plan on having at least 10 people helping - AmeriCorps members, AmeriCorps staff and community volunteers.

Date: Sunday, 9/11 from 1 to 3 pm.

Contact: Kathy Andolina, Oswego AmeriCorps, phone (315) 349-3451