

Volunteer Opportunities for Court-Ordered Community Service

HandsOn San Diego

Various openings available through an online search for court-ordered volunteer opportunities.

<https://www.handsonsandiego.org/courtordered>

Kitchens for Good

Kitchens for Good aims to break cycles of food waste, poverty, and hunger through innovative programs in workforce training, healthy food production, and social enterprise.

<https://kitchensforgood.org/volunteer/>

Mama's Kitchen

Mama's Kitchen is approved by the courts for court-ordered community service for offenses that do not involve theft or violence. Meal delivery, food drives and dish washing are the volunteer opportunities available for court-ordered community service.

There are some restrictions for offenses that involve theft or violence.

<https://www.mamaskitchen.org/volunteer/volunteer-orientation-dates/>

San Diego Coast Keeper

For people who need to complete a large number of hours as part of a certification program or by court order, we occasionally need help with in-office projects such as assembling education kits and stuffing envelopes. You are welcome to reach out to us to inquire about current availability.

<https://www.sdcoastkeeper.org/volunteer-opportunities>

Email: volunteer@sdcoastkeeper.org

San Diego Food Bank

The Food Bank accepts court-mandated service hours. However, ONLY misdemeanor offenses will be considered eligible, and additional documentation must be provided.

<https://sandiegofoodbank.org/volunteer/>

Feeding America San Diego

All court-ordered volunteers must be cleared in advance by the Volunteer Department. Please email the [Volunteer Department](#) at least three days in advance of your shift for approval. Misdemeanor offenses are permitted only—no violent, sexual, or theft related crimes. Verification requirements must be turned in on your first visit.

To request approval, submit a completed [court-ordered volunteer agreement](#), the original ticket or court paperwork showing the reason for the court ordered hours as well as the total number of hours required, and a completed [volunteer waiver](#) to volunteersd@feedingsandiego.org.

San Diego Habitat for Humanity

All court ordered volunteers are required to complete their community service in one of our ReStore locations in Kearny Mesa, National City, or Escondido. Volunteers with construction background may be approved to work on one of our construction sites. The Volunteer Manager and Superintendent will approve that service on a case by case basis.

Scheduling volunteer hours may not be possible right away. Contact Habitat for Humanity as early as possible.

<https://www.sandiegohabitat.org/Volunteer/New-Volunteer-Start-Here/Court-Order>

Sheriff's Museum and Educational Center

Interactive history museum in Old Town about local Sheriff's department with jail cells, offices & transport.

<http://sheriffsmuseum.org/>

Email: info@sheriffsmuseum.org

The Salvation Army ARC & San Diego County Family Thrift Stores

Ongoing volunteer opportunities available

<https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp1888478.jsp>

<https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp2138206.jsp>

Questions? Email: Volunteers.ARCSD@usw.salvationarmy.org

Lakeside's River Park Conservancy

This team meets every Tuesday through Friday from 7:00 am to 11:00 am. You can complete court-ordered community service, while helping the environment and learning about native plants.

Location: 12108 Industry Rd, Lakeside, CA 92040

<https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp1138321.jsp>

County of San Diego Volunteer Opportunities:

- Department of Animal Services

Our volunteers care for more than 25,000 thousands of cats, dogs, livestock and exotic animals every year. These are animals that have been abandoned, hurt, lost or neglected. They deserve the high level of care we give them. We can do that, in part, thanks to our dedicated volunteers.

Volunteer Coordinator:
Rachael Borrelli (760) 966-3237

More on volunteering with Animal Services:

<https://www.sddac.com/content/sdc/das/donate-volunteer/volunteer.html>

Email: DAS-Suggestions@sdcounty.ca.gov

- Health & Human Services

HHSA North Coastal & North Inland Regions

The Health and Human Services Agency provides a broad range of health and social services, promoting wellness, self-sufficiency, and a better quality of life for all individuals and families in San Diego County. Regional internship (volunteer) opportunities in North County are available with the following programs: Child Welfare Services, Family Resource Center, Public Health Center, and Community Health Promotion.

Volunteer Coordinator: Shrai Arzt
(858) 495-5225

Email: Personnel.HHSA@sdcounty.ca.gov

- Parks & Recreation

The County of San Diego Department of Parks and Recreation offers many volunteer opportunities for citizens to give back to their community, allowing the Department to increase services to visitors, provide on-the-job experience, and raises the public's awareness of how we operate to protect and preserve the natural and historic resources. Volunteer opportunities include Docent/Naturalist, Day Volunteer, and Community Center volunteer, Volunteer

Patrol, Park Host, Youth/Student Learning and Coaching. We also provide episodic opportunities, including one-day group projects for military, scouts, non-profits, corporate team building and court ordered community service.

<https://www.volunteermatch.org/search/opp2890318.jsp>

Volunteer Coordinator: Cheryl Wegner
(858) 966-1335
cheryl.wegner@sdcounty.ca.gov

More on volunteering with Parks and Recreation:

<http://www.sdparks.org/content/sdparks/en/buttons/Volunteer.html>