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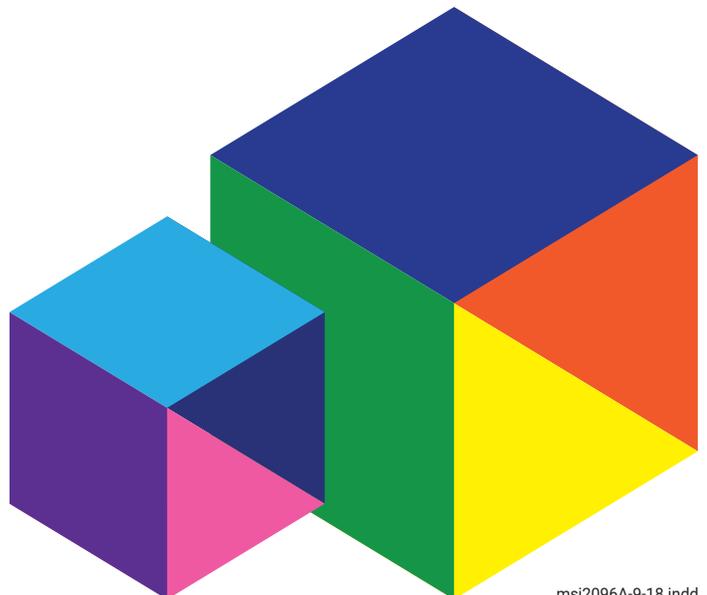
Volunteer Opportunities in Bellevue

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# Introduction

## **Welcome!**

In 2016, the City of Bellevue was ranked #2 in the Top 100 Places to Live by Livability.com for small to mid-sized cities.

Bellevue is high on the list for many reasons – our natural surroundings, recreation, shopping, housing, schools and great diversity. But what makes Bellevue truly special is its people.

The people of Bellevue support their community in many ways through meaningful volunteer opportunities that promote civic engagement and provide assistance to those in the community most in need.

## **Why being a volunteer in your community is important**

- You can make a difference – share your unique skills to support others.
- You get a chance to give back – use your gratitude to improve your community.
- You learn a lot – experience something new.
- You help strengthen your community – work together to enhance fellowship and collaboration.
- You can connect with your neighbors – meet others in your community.

If you'd like to become involved, but aren't sure where to start, this Guide was created to provide a comprehensive list of volunteer opportunities with many of the various organizations serving Bellevue and the surrounding Eastside community.

We hope you will find this Guide helpful to make an informed decision about where you want to give your time and talents to your community.

If you represent a non-profit organization and are interested in having your volunteer opportunities added to the next update of this Guide, please contact Brian Ugai at [b.ugai@outlook.com](mailto:b.ugai@outlook.com).

Many thanks for making our community a top place to live!



# Aging Adults

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## BELLEVUE NETWORK ON AGING

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### WHO WE ARE

The Bellevue Network on Aging supports the mission of Aging Services in Bellevue through effective and systematic outreach, regional collaboration and community involvement with a unified voice. The Network promotes awareness of needs and resources that support older adults through life's transitions.

### OUR HISTORY

The BNOA was formed in 2006 and acts in an advisory capacity to the City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services Department. Their role is to study, review, evaluate and make recommendations to the City on all matters affecting Bellevue's older adults.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Recruitment begins in September with interviews conducted in October and selection of new members to the 15 person board recommended to the team in November. Terms are for two years and meetings are the first Thursday of each month 8:30-10:30am with required committee involvement for a few hours each month.

### ADDRESS

North Bellevue Community Center  
4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98007

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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## VOLUNTEER SERVICES (PROGRAM OF CATHOLIC COMMUNITY SERVICES)

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WHO WE ARE	Volunteer (Chore) Services coordinates a network of compassionate volunteers in King County who assist older adults and adults living with disabilities with household chores and other services they can no longer accomplish on their own. The services are provided at no charge to recipients and serve as a safety net for those individuals who cannot afford to pay for assistance and do not qualify for other assistance.
OUR HISTORY	Volunteer Services (formerly Volunteer Chore Services) began in 1981 in response to cuts in services for elders by the state legislature. The program currently works with thousands of elders and adults with disabilities statewide.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Volunteer Services matches volunteers with low-income older adults and adults with disabilities to assist them with basic household chores, such as housework, laundry, yardwork, home repairs, grocery shopping, and transportation. Volunteer drivers are in great demand for participants who need a door to door transportation option to get to medical appointments, the grocery store, and other essential appointments. There are also opportunities to volunteer in the office and help with outreach for recruitment efforts.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Volunteers generally provide 2-8 hours per month assisting their neighbors depending on their schedules and availability.
ADDRESS	11061 NE 2nd St, Suite 224 Bellevue, WA 98004
WEBSITE	<a href="http://ccsww.org/get-help/services-for-seniors-people-with-disabilities/volunteer-services/volunteer-services-king-county/">http://ccsww.org/get-help/services-for-seniors-people-with-disabilities/volunteer-services/volunteer-services-king-county/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Griffin Cole griffinc@ccsww.org 11061 NE 2nd St, Suite 224 Bellevue, WA 98004 425.679.0342

# Aging Adults

## EASTSIDE FRIENDS OF SENIORS

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### WHO WE ARE

EFS is a non-profit which provides services for seniors to help them continue living independently in their homes. All services are provided by volunteers.

### OUR HISTORY

Originally called "Faith in Action," in September 2011 we changed our name to Eastside Friends of Seniors, to better reflect who we are and who we serve. This name has fostered our ability to grow and better serve the elderly in our community. Eastside Friends of Seniors has served hundreds of elderly since its conception.

Today, Eastside Friends of Seniors serves individuals who live in Issaquah and Sammamish. We mobilize volunteers to provide essential assistive services, enabling our clients to live independently and with dignity in the comfort of their own homes. Eastside Friends of Seniors is able to meet its mission by partnering with other organizations in the community.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Many seniors in our area are alone and do not have ANYONE to help them. They are unable to do simple things such as, drive to the grocery store, vacuum, perform yard work or household maintenance. You can help a senior, by yourself, with your family or with a friend. Help seniors to stay in their homes with just a few flexible hours a month.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

EFS projects for seniors range from 1-2 hours a week to one time projects of 2-4 hours.

### ADDRESS

1121 228th Ave SE, Sammamish WA 98075

### WEBSITE

[www.Eastsidefriendsofseniors.org](http://www.Eastsidefriendsofseniors.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Roseann Popa  
roseannp@eastsidefriendsofseniors.org  
(425) 369-9120

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## EASTSIDE NEIGHBORS NETWORK (ENN)

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### WHO WE ARE

ENN is a local nonprofit membership organization that brings neighbors together to help older residents remain in their homes and engaged in their communities for as long as possible. Volunteers support members through simple neighborly acts such as transportation, light household and yard help, and support for member-initiated cultural and social activities.

### ORGANIZATION HISTORY

“Virtual Villages” are part of a growing social change movement to counter traditional views of “old age.” ENN, the first Village on the Eastside, started in a TELOS class on aging. Over 300 villages operate nationwide, with several in Seattle. Each reflects the unique resources and character of its community.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Share your talents with us to build an organization for the “Longevity Revolution”! Opportunities are available in two categories:

#### **Direct Service to Members:**

- Transportation, especially for medical and dental appointments
- Wellness calls and friendly visits
- Technology help
- Light household, yard, and garden help
- Pet care (for example, dog walking)
- Virtual Office support – telephone and web site help for members and volunteers

#### **Board and Committee Service – leadership and support for:**

- Nonprofit strategic planning and policy development
- Recruiting – volunteers and members
- Development – Corporate sponsorships, individual donors, planned giving
- Marketing and community relations
- Social events and educational programs

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Commitment varies from 1-2 hours/ week to several hours for Board and Committee members. Board members serve a two-year term. Volunteers should be willing to commit for at least 6 months and must complete a background check, orientation and training (3-5 hours).

### ADDRESS

Eastside Neighbors Network  
PO Box 854, Bellevue, WA 98009-0854

# Aging Adults

WEBSITE

[www.EastsideNeighborsNetwork.org](http://www.EastsideNeighborsNetwork.org)

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Joanne Gainen  
EastsideNeighborsNetwork@outlook.com  
(425) 270-8408

# Aging Adults

## EASTERSEALS WASHINGTON ADULT DAY CENTER – BELLEVUE (FORMERLY ELDER & ADULT DAY SERVICES)

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WHO WE ARE	Easterseals Washington Adult Day Center – Bellevue provides a place for adults with disabilities to be active in the community, socialize with peers and receive health and personal care. Additionally, the program allows caregivers to work outside the home and attend to their own needs or the needs of other family members.
OUR HISTORY	Easterseals Washington has been providing crucial services for people with disabilities and their families since 1947. Now, through 11 program sites statewide, we are serving people of any age and any disability - helping our clients build skills and access the resources they need to live, learn, work and play.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Our current volunteer opportunities include helping with activities and interacting with participants, sharing your talent such as in music, dance, art or others, basic office tasks, organizing, and/or light handyman services. Program hours are Monday through Friday only and participants are in attendance between 9am -3pm.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Volunteer service is flexible and we can work with your availability; handyman projects are best done late in the day (after 3:00), evenings or weekends if staff can be present.
ADDRESS	12831 NE 21st Place Bellevue WA 98005
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.easterseals.com/washington">www.easterseals.com/washington</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Dena Adkins Conley dadkins@wa.easterseals.com 206-281-5700, ext. 102

# Aging Adults

## KING COUNTY LONG-TERM CARE OMBUDSMAN PROGRAM

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### WHO WE ARE

The King County Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program seeks volunteers who are dedicated to advocating for rights of residents in long-term care facilities such as nursing homes, assisted living and adult family homes throughout King County. There are several long-term care facilities in the greater Bellevue area that need volunteers to advocate for these residents. As an Ombuds, you would visit your assigned facility weekly in your community.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Ombuds Certification 32-hour training. Visits to your assigned facilities on a weekly basis, spending about 4 hours/week working on behalf of residents. Attend monthly volunteer meetings that are two hours each month and held during the day.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Minimum of a one year commitment

### ADDRESS

PO Box 23699, Federal Way, WA 98093-0699

### WEBSITE

[www.waombudsman.org/](http://www.waombudsman.org/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Jeremy Bell, Regional Ombuds  
jeremyb@mschelps.org  
253-838-6810 ext. 197

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## SOUND GENERATIONS

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### WHO WE ARE

Sound Generations connects seniors and adults with disabilities with vital resources in their communities. We provide them with meals, drive them to essential services, ease their loneliness and alleviate caregiver stress. We are committed to helping people thrive and feel included and respected.

### OUR HISTORY

Sound Generations, formerly Senior Services, is the most comprehensive non-profit agency serving older adults and their loved ones in Washington State. Established in 1967, we promote the emotional, social and physical well-being of more than 83,000 seniors and adults with disabilities and those who care for them in King County.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We have five programs where volunteers are used on a regular basis:

1. Pathways Information & Assistance – Pathways Information Volunteer Specialist help seniors and adult with disabilities access thousands of resources.
2. Volunteer Transportation – Volunteers drive seniors to and from medical appointments.
3. Community Dining – Volunteers prepare lunch greet and socialize with seniors.
4. Meals on Wheels – Meals on Wheels volunteers take participant meal orders, pack the meals, and/or deliver meals directly to them.
5. State Health Insurance Benefits Advisors (SHIBA) –Volunteers help educate and advise seniors about Medicare and other health insurance options.

Special Events & Behind the Scenes – Added people power helps with All Staff Meeting, fundraiser and awareness events, and more.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Volunteers hour varies by program needs. Some can be as few as 1-2 hours per week, others more. Most events are during the weekday, as we are not typically open on weekends.

### ADDRESS

2208 2nd Ave Seattle, WA 98121

### WEBSITE

[Soundgenerations.org](http://Soundgenerations.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Mattie Taplin  
[mattiet@soundgenerations.org](mailto:mattiet@soundgenerations.org)  
(206) 268-6762



# Arts

## BELLEVUE ARTS MUSEUM

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### WHO WE ARE

Bellevue Arts Museum (BAM) provides a public forum for the community to contemplate, appreciate, and discuss visual culture. We work with audiences, artists, makers, and designers to understand our shared experience of the world. BAM is a space where artists and audiences directly participate in the exchange of ideas, illuminating and enriching their joint experience of art, craft, and design.

### OUR HISTORY

BAM is one of few museums that grew out of an art fair. Started by a handful of dedicated volunteers, the first fair was held in 1947 and eventually led to the founding of the Museum in 1975. After undergoing a series of transformations, BAM opened the doors to its first permanent home, designed by renowned architect and Washingtonian Steven Holl, in 2001. Exclusively dedicated to art, craft, and design since 2005, the Museum has grown to be an important contributor to the region's cultural vibrancy and a leading institution in its field. The Bellevue Arts Museum ARTS fair continues to be a core community program, celebrating its 70th anniversary in 2016.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

#### **Volunteers** – ongoing, year-round

Serving as Museum ambassadors, volunteers are important links to the community and integral to our success. By joining our team of dedicated volunteers, you will help fulfill the Museum's mission while engaging in ongoing learning and becoming connected to the larger arts community. Our committed volunteers provide administrative support and great customer service; and support Museum events such as Artful Evening and BAM ARTSfair. Prospective volunteers should be passionate about art, enjoy interacting with the public, and be able to make a commitment to Bellevue Arts Museum.

#### **BAM Docent Program** – applications & interviews Feb. – July

A docent is a trained, volunteer museum guide and an essential link between the public and the Museum. Docents strive to effectively engage visitors of all ages in stimulating conversations about BAM's exhibitions and the Museum's mission. Docents give tours, perform gallery duty, and assist in educational programs. Articulate, enthusiastic, and knowledgeable docents are part of the BAM family and important ambassadors inside and outside of the Museum's walls.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Commitment times vary. Docents–5-8 hours/week for the first 9 months of training. Twelve 2 hour shifts for two years after training is complete. Other time commitments depend on the volunteer position.

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ADDRESS

510 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

WEBSITE

<http://www.bellevuearts.org/join-and-give/volunteers-docents>

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Lily King, Volunteer Coordinator

Bellevue Arts Museum

510 Bellevue Way NE | Bellevue, WA 98004

(425) 519-0757

## BELLEVUE YOUTH THEATER FOUNDATION

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### WHO WE ARE

The mission of the Bellevue Youth Theater Foundation, a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization, is to foster the Bellevue Youth Theater program through increasing awareness, raising funds, and building community to enhance the experience of participants and audiences.

### OUR HISTORY

The Foundation was formed in 2002 to provide support for the Bellevue Youth Theater. The program serves more than 1,000 participants, benefits from active community volunteerism with 300+ volunteers this past year, and has welcomed 6,500 audience members to performances annually.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Work the concessions booth, assist with fundraising/fundraising events, help backstage at performances, and volunteer your time and artistic talents supporting shows and coaching performers.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

No minimum

### ADDRESS

16051 NE 10th St, Bellevue, WA 98008

### WEBSITE

[www.bytfoundation.org/volunteering-with-byt/](http://www.bytfoundation.org/volunteering-with-byt/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[Secretary@bytfoundation.org](mailto:Secretary@bytfoundation.org)

## CITY OF BELLEVUE: NORTHWEST ARTS CENTER

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### WHO WE ARE

Northwest Arts Center is one of City of Bellevue's Community Centers located in a quiet neighborhood location that offers a wide variety of programs and events for all ages with an emphasis on the arts. In addition, the Center offers quality rental facilities for meetings, parties, or small events.

### OUR HISTORY

The Northwest Arts Center (NWAC) is one of 5 City of Bellevue Community Centers and is located close to downtown Bellevue. In addition, NWAC staff coordinate adult programming for Bellevue Main Club (downtown) and coordinate large City-wide special events.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Teaching/Instruction:** The NWAC invites volunteer instructors to assist with a variety of art and recreational programs and camps for youth as well as programs for people with disabilities. Tasks may include prepping art materials for lessons, organizing art supplies, setting up and cleaning up for classes, as well as helping teach children. Must be 16 years of age or older. Require a minimum commitment of 4 months, with an average of 8-10 hours/per month.

**Special Events: B.E.S.T. (Bellevue Events Services Team)-** This team of volunteers help assist event staff in producing a number of City special events throughout the year. These are Lead Volunteer positions that are trained in an area of specialty, for example: Children's Entertainment, Parking/Security, Logistics Team Lead, Vendor Coordination, Hospitality Lead, Volunteer Coordination, and Communications (Marketing and Signage.) These positions require a year commitment with about an average of 12-15 hours per month. Must be 18 years of age. Training will be provided.

**Event Volunteer -** Event volunteers help City staff and/or Bellevue Events Service Team volunteer leads with implementing a variety of City events. Event volunteer positions can be for one event or many events, depending on volunteer availability and interest. Typical tasks done by these volunteers are: event set-up and clean up, greeting the public and staffing information area, assisting with children's activity area, parking lot monitoring, etc. Must be 16 years of age or older. Commitment is for one event or multiple events.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Commitment minimums vary, please see volunteer opportunities section above for specifics per position.

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ADDRESS

Northwest Arts Center- Bellevue Parks & Community Services  
9825 NE 24th Street Bellevue, WA 98004 |

*(note: this is a physical address not a mailing address)*

Mailing:

Bellevue City Hall – NWAC PO Box 90012 Bellevue, WA 98009-9012

WEBSITE

[www.bellevuewa.gov/northwest\\_arts.htm](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/northwest_arts.htm)

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Debbie Pettersson, Northwest Arts Center Program Coordinator

NWAC@bellevuewa.gov

425-452-4106

## CITY OPERA BALLET

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### WHO WE ARE

City Opera Ballet is a non-profit organization based in downtown Bellevue, dedicated to bringing the finest professional arts to the region through performances of opera and ballet with live orchestra featuring Ballet Bellevue, Bellevue City Opera and Orchestra Bellevue. This rare treasure in our city combines a passion for excellence, dedication to present outstanding regional talent with a commitment to fully live musical presentation of classical works, contemporary masterpieces and new works by Northwest artists.

### OUR HISTORY

We are a non-profit organization (Ballet Petit, a student ballet company) founded in Bellevue in 1984. In 1995 the name was changed to Ballet Bellevue, a professional ballet company performing with live orchestra.

By 2015 Ballet Bellevue, with its solid record of performing with live orchestra, expanded to include opera, and our company is currently dba City Opera Ballet, featuring three divisions: Ballet Bellevue, Bellevue City Opera and Orchestra Bellevue (still retaining Ballet Petit as the Student Ballet Performance Division).

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We can place volunteers of all ages, skills, with or without experience. We need help in all areas relating to production of fine art performances. People with updated bookkeeping skills are especially needed, even if just to help with set-up.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Short or long-term commitment, any time of day, including weekends.

### ADDRESS

1001 106th Ave. NE, Bellevue, WA 98004 (*Please Note: our front door is actually on NE 10th Street, directly across the street from the north entrance of the Hyatt Regency Hotel*)

Mailing Address:

City Opera Ballet c/o Ballet Bellevue, P. O. Box 3704, Bellevue, WA 98009

### WEBSITE

[www.cityoperaballet.org](http://www.cityoperaballet.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Alex Cann  
[info@balletbellevue.org](mailto:info@balletbellevue.org)  
(425) 455-1345



# Environment

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## BELLEVUE BOTANICAL GARDENS

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WHO WE ARE	The Bellevue Botanical Garden is an urban refuge, encompassing 53-acres of cultivated gardens, restored woodlands, and natural wetlands. The living collections showcase plants that thrive in the Pacific Northwest.
OUR HISTORY	The Garden became part of the City of Bellevue Parks system in 1992. It is operated by the City of Bellevue in partnership with multiple organizations, including the Bellevue Botanical Garden Society, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization incorporated in the State of Washington in 1986.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Various positions available. Volunteers work in the Garden, at special events, lead tours, and work in the Trillium Store. Volunteer Application and Orientation Required, background check required for some positions.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Positions adapted to individuals, more structure for docent, gift shop, special events.
ADDRESS	12001 Main Street Bellevue, WA 98005
WEBSITE	<a href="https://utilities.bellevuewa.gov/conservation-and-the-environment/water-conservation/waterwise-garden">https://utilities.bellevuewa.gov/conservation-and-the-environment/water-conservation/waterwise-garden</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Cynthia Welte cwelte@bellevuewa.gov (425) 452-6826

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## BELLEVUE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP INITIATIVE – EASTSIDE CONSERVATION CORPS

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### WHO WE ARE

The Eastside Conservation Corps is a student group, comprised of high school students with an interest in the environment, who assist in education and outreach around various environmental topics.

### OUR HISTORY

In June 2007, the City Council launched the Environmental Stewardship Initiative. Since then the program has worked on a variety of outreach and engagement programs, such as Solarize Bellevue, the Green Power Challenge, and the Georgetown University Energy Prize.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Attend a training on urban forestry in Bellevue to learn about the value and benefits of Bellevue’s rich urban forest, and receive training to be a tree ambassador. This program is currently in development, and is anticipated to launch in the fall of 2018.

Engage with school green teams and share lessons learned and strategies between green teams from different schools.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

The group typically meets once per month, for 1 hour.

### WEBSITE

<https://planning.bellevuewa.gov/environmental-stewardship>

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Jennifer Ewing  
jewing@bellevuewa.gov  
(425) 452-6129

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## BELLEVUE ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP INITIATIVE – TREE AMBASSADORS

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### WHO WE ARE

Bellevue’s Environmental Stewardship Initiative is the City’s sustainability program tasked with coordinating a variety of programs to improve the environment in Bellevue. The City has a goal of achieving a 40% tree canopy, and is seeking assistance from residents to help increase awareness and appreciation of the benefits of trees in Bellevue.

### OUR HISTORY

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### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Attend a training on urban forestry in Bellevue to learn about the value and benefits of Bellevue’s rich urban forest, and receive training to be a tree ambassador. This program is currently in development, and is anticipated to launch in the fall of 2018.

### WEBSITE

<https://planning.bellevuewa.gov/environmental-stewardship>

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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jewing@bellevuewa.gov  
(425) 452-6129

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## BELLEVUE PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES – ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES (NATURAL RESOURCE DIVISION)

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WHO WE ARE	The City of Bellevue is proud to work with thousands of dedicated volunteers each year, who take time out of their busy lives to give back to their community and enhance their natural resources.
OUR HISTORY	The Bellevue Parks system provides family programming and recreational opportunities.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Multiple - Bellevue Master Naturalist Program (trainings are held twice per week during the evening for 11 weeks), Eco Friday and Stewardship Saturday volunteer events (hosted for groups with 15+ volunteers), Trail Stewarding, and Canoe Guide Naturalists
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Various - Master Naturalists commit to 100 hours over 2 years, Trail Stewards commit to 5+ hours per month and Eco Friday & Stewardship Saturday groups commit to a 3 hour project (with a minimum of 15 participants attending).
ADDRESS	Attn: Park Ranger Lewis Creek Visitor Center Bellevue Parks & Community Services PO Box 90012 Bellevue, WA 98009
WEBSITE	<a href="https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/nature-and-environment/visitor-centers-environmental-programs/environmental-stewardship-volunteer-opportunities/">https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/nature-and-environment/visitor-centers-environmental-programs/environmental-stewardship-volunteer-opportunities/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Park Ranger, Lewis Creek Visitor Center Parks_Stewardship@Bellevuewa.gov 425-452-4195

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## BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA EAGLE SCOUT SERVICE PROJECTS WITH BELLEVUE PARKS & COMMUNITY SERVICES

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WHO WE ARE	The Boy Scouts of America is one of the nation's largest and most prominent values-based youth development organizations. Bellevue works with Eagle Scout candidates to fulfil the requirements of the Eagle Scout Service Project.
OUR HISTORY	For more than a century, the BSA has helped build the future leaders of this country by combining educational activities and lifelong values with fun
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Eagle Scout Leadership Service Project; coordinate and lead a Stewardship Saturday with Bellevue Parks & Community Services
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Per BSA requirements
ADDRESS	By Troop in Region
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.scouting.org/About.aspx">www.scouting.org/About.aspx</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Park Ranger, Lewis Creek Visitor Center, Parks_Stewardship@Bellevuewa.gov (425) 452-4195

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## EASTSIDE EARTHCORPS (AMERICA CORPS)

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WHO WE ARE	EarthCorps builds a global community of leaders through local environmental service. Most recently, Earthcorps collaborated with Bellevue residents on the Newport Creek Restoration.
OUR HISTORY	EarthCorps corps provide more than 100,000 hours of service a year in the Puget Sound. We grow people with leadership development and cross-cultural understanding opportunities, since 1993.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	youth 18-25, business morale, Community building service days.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	A service year like Peace Corps, or community days for groups of 30 or more.
ADDRESS	6310 NE 74th St, Suite 201E Seattle, WA 98115
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.earthcorps.org/contact.php">www.earthcorps.org/contact.php</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Volunteer Team volunteerearthcorps.org (206) 322-9296 ext. 217

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## FORTERRA

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WHO WE ARE

Forterra is a regional conservation and sustainability non-profit

OUR HISTORY

Forterra is making sure this place we lives stays a place we love. We do that by securing and caring for keystone lands –places vital to our region’s long-run livability, sustainability, and equity. These include wildlands, working farms, and forests as well as places in the city for affordable housing, parks, and the arts. We work simultaneously across all these landscapes because they are interconnected. And ultimately all people and lands must thrive together.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Most volunteer opportunities are working outdoors to restore and care for our regions parks, natural areas, shorelines, and streams. No experience required. There are also some volunteer positions to provide regional leadership and guidance to our work.

MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Outdoor stewardship events are can be a 3-4 hour event on weekends. Other leadership roles vary in time depending on the position and time available.

ADDRESS

901 5th Ave, Ste. 2200 Seattle, WA 98164

WEBSITE

[www.forterra.org](http://www.forterra.org)

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[volunteer@forterra.org](mailto:volunteer@forterra.org)

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## KELSEY CREEK FARM

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### WHO WE ARE

Kelsey Creek Farm is a 150-acre park open 365 days a year and is located within just minutes from downtown Bellevue. The farm has been a free oasis for those who love animals, want to be outdoors or want to immerse themselves in the quiet farm setting and step back to a simpler time.

The site offers a selection of unique children's recreational programs, such as seasonal day camps, pony care classes, farm experience classes and tours, as well as community group and youth volunteer programs. No entrance fee is required, though donations are always welcome.

### OUR HISTORY

The Fishers sold their farm property to the City at a price much reduced from what they knew that they could get from developers in the late 1960's. They did so because they believed in preserving the beauty and legacy of the agricultural buildings and the land.

In 1969 the farmhouse became the headquarters of the Bellevue Parks & Recreation Department. The oldest barn was modified to house an assortment of farm animals for public viewing and educational programs. The other, larger barn, commonly referred to as the Education Barn, was remodeled inside and used to accommodate a variety of community programs, including children's day camps, art classes, and farm-themed classes.

To this day, the farm features live farm animals, the two historic barns and their outbuildings as well as fenced pastures often containing grazing livestock.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Teens can work on the farm after school and during the summer, assist in Art Camps, Equine Camps and Little Farmers Summer. Assist at a special event in October and in April.

### WEBSITE

<https://parks.bellevuewa.gov/community-centers/kelsey-creek-farm/kelsey-creek-farm-programs/>

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

kelseycreekfarm@bellevuewa.gov  
(425) 452-7688

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## MERCER SLOUGH ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER-- PACIFIC SCIENCE CENTER

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WHO WE ARE	Located on a biologically diverse 320-acre wetland nature park in the heart of urban Bellevue, WA, Mercer Slough Environmental Education Center is a collaboration between the City of Bellevue and Pacific Science Center.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	10th graders for yearlong commitment; adult mentors with environmental science or youth development experience
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Varies each year, mostly geared to youth looking for High School required hours
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.pacificsciencecenter.org/merc-slough/">www.pacificsciencecenter.org/merc-slough/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Ian Schooley, Teen Volunteer Supervisor ischooley@pacsci.org 425-450-0207

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## ORCHARD GARDENS AT FACTORIA

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### WHO WE ARE

Orchard Gardens at Holy Cross Lutheran is a growing and learning community. Established in 2010 we have contributed more than one ton of fresh organic produce to local food banks for several years with all of the food originating in our gardens and heirloom orchard.

P-Patch gardening plots are available for rent. This has created a community of gardeners who encourage and teach each other. Gardeners grow food for their own families and share the overage with local hungry people.

### OUR HISTORY

In 2009, Holy Cross Lutheran Church conducted a strategic assessment and determined that the land, which once was a farm, had the potential to provide locally grown food. The first crops were presented to the food bank in 2010. With assistance from nonprofits, City Fruit and Seattle Tree Fruit Society, we started the process of revitalizing the 30 heirloom orchard fruit trees. This also launched our community cider pressings in autumn when we share this beautiful space and the pleasure of the fruit of an orchard with the neighborhood and local community.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**1. Orchard Stewards** – Orchard stewards drive programs to improve the orchard. We created a comprehensive revitalization plan to bring the orchard back to health. Orchard stewards volunteer about 8 hours per month. They develop and schedule projects. Some activities are completed by individual orchard stewards while other tasks are team driven. An overview of the revitalization plan is available.

**2. Cider Pressing Day** – In autumn we recruit neighborhood volunteers to help with this community event. Jobs include apple picking, apple washing, apple chopping, pressing, heating, greeting the visitors, set-up, and clean-up. Volunteer shifts are 90 minutes to 3 hours.

**3. Restoration Project** – An area of the property close to Factoria Road is where we are removing invasive plant species and returning it to a natural area. This is ongoing work where we have specific work projects from time to time. These usually last 3-4 hours. Individuals who become familiar with the area can work at their own pace and schedule.

**4. Other garden/orchard projects** – From time to time additional projects arise and we do a call for volunteers: perhaps laying chips on pathways, weeding in the herb garden, etc. If someone would like to be on an on-call basis, that would be great!

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**5. P-Patch plot** – In a community garden, many people grow food for their families and then provide the produce from extra rows for the food bank. Each year Orchard Gardens takes on a couple new gardeners. If you are interested in gardening and contributing to the community and growing food for the food bank, you might want to get a P-patch plot! Contact Jan Starr, [jdstarrs@gmail.com](mailto:jdstarrs@gmail.com). The commitment for a P-Patch plot is a bit more than the commitment for our other volunteer projects.

MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Our projects might go from 1-2 hours or for 3-4 hours. They usually occur on the weekends. However, some projects could be done on an individual basis at one's own convenience.

ADDRESS

4315 129th Pl. SE, Bellevue, WA 98006 (across from Newport High School at the corner of Factoria Blvd and Newport Way)

WEBSITE

[www.hcllutheran.wordpress.com/](http://www.hcllutheran.wordpress.com/)

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Ingrid Turner  
[iturner64@hotmail.com](mailto:iturner64@hotmail.com)  
425-373-9234

# Environment

## BELLEVUE STREAM TEAM

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WHO WE ARE	Stream Team volunteers gather important information about Bellevue's streams to help improve the understanding and health of the city's fish and wildlife habitat through monitoring and education.
OUR HISTORY	Stream Team is part of Bellevue Utilities. Bellevue has over 80 miles of streams providing habitat for fish, birds, and other wildlife.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Spring and Fall fish monitoring projects. 1-2 hour training workshops provided in March and September.
ADDRESS	2901 115th Ave NE Bellevue, WA 98004 P.O. Box, 90012
WEBSITE	<a href="http://bellevuewa.gov/streamteam">http://bellevuewa.gov/streamteam</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Stream Team streamteam@bellevuewa.gov (425) 452-5200

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## WATERWISE GARDEN VOLUNTEER – BELLEVUE UTILITIES

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WHO WE ARE

Bellevue Utilities

OUR HISTORY

Bellevue Utilities provides high-quality, essential services that you rely on every day—drinking water, wastewater, storm and surface water and solid waste. We take pride in making sure these services are dependable, a good value for the money and delivered with the customer in mind.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

VOLUNTEER IN BELLEVUE’S WATERWISE GARDEN

Splendid gardens don’t need large amounts of water or garden chemicals that can harm children, pets, and the Puget Sound. Bellevue Botanical Garden’s award-winning Waterwise Garden demonstrates natural gardening that’s healthier for families and local eco-systems. Adult volunteers are needed to help care for the garden. Learn new practices and discover plantings that conserve water, lower chemical use, reduce runoff, recycle waste, and preserve habitat—all without sacrificing an ounce of beauty. Join the Waterwise Volunteer Team and:

- Learn natural gardening techniques that can easily be applied to your home garden.
- Get hands-on experience soil building, composting and caring for a variety of plants during the growing season.
- Meet new people and build friendships by sharing similar interests.
- Have fun while achieving important resource conservation goals in the community.

Volunteer days are the first and third Wednesday of each month, 1 to 3 p.m. from spring to fall. No experience or tools are needed.

MINIMUM COMMITMENT

2 hours per month February – November

ADDRESS

450 110th Ave NE Bellevue, WA 98004 P.O. Box, 90012

WEBSITE

<https://utilities.bellevuewa.gov/conservation-and-the-environment/water-conservation/waterwise-garden>

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Christine Jaeger  
CJaeger@bellevuewa.gov

# Environment

## WEED WARRIORS

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### WHO WE ARE

Our mission is to promote environmental stewardship and inspire everyone to protect the native habitat. We provide education that empowers people.

### OUR HISTORY

The Weed Warriors organization, founded in 2008, is a 501(c)(3) Public Charity and a Washington State Non-Profit Charity. The Weed Warriors organization is dedicated to further and promote a healthy, sustainable environment free of invasive noxious weeds.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Youth, Adults, Business Morale Events, see website for packages

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

1-2 hours

### WEBSITE

<http://naturestewardswa.org/>

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Grace Stiller, President  
gracestiller@comcast.net  
(425) 228-7927

A black and white photograph of two women running on a paved track. The woman on the left is wearing a dark athletic top and leggings, and the woman on the right is wearing a dark zip-up top and leggings. A large, dark blue diagonal shape overlays the left side of the image. The word "Health" is written in white, cursive font across the blue area.

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## INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES (ICHS)

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### WHO WE ARE

International Community Health Services (ICHS) is a nonprofit community health center that offers affordable health care services to Seattle and King County's Asian, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander community. ICHS provides primary medical and dental care, health support services and health education in seven locations.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Community Health outreach, civic engagement, other language specific projects.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Depends on scope of project / work.

### ADDRESS

1050 140th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98005

### WEBSITE

[www.ichs.com](http://www.ichs.com)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[volunteer@ichs.com](mailto:volunteer@ichs.com)

## KAISER PERMANENTE TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

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### WHO WE ARE

Kaiser Permanente Transportation Assistance volunteer drivers use their own vehicles to provide rides for scheduled medical appointments to ambulatory Kaiser Permanente members, 60 years of age or older, who reside in King County.

### ORGANIZATION HISTORY

Kaiser Permanente Washington, formerly Group Health, serves more than 710,170 members and support the health of communities in Northwest Washington, Central Washington, Eastern Washington, the Coastal and Olympic region, and Puget Sound. Kaiser Permanente exists to provide high-quality, affordable health care services and to improve the health of our members and the communities we serve.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Drive ambulatory seniors to scheduled medical appointments. Drivers generally escort the rider, wait and take them home. Rides are scheduled a week ahead and drivers can choose their assignments weekly to accommodate their schedules. Drivers must have at least 5 years of driving experience, be free on weekdays, have a vehicle in good working order, have a clean driving record (no major accidents or infractions,) and can pass a national background check. Flu immunizations and tb testing is required.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Minimum 6 month commitment. Most drivers drive one time per week and some up to 3 times per week. A typical ride takes about 3 hours total. Drivers determine when, where, and how often they will drive. Rush hours are avoided. Mileage reimbursement may be available. Monthly mileage logs must be submitted.

### ADDRESS

200-15th Ave East, CHW F100H1 Seattle, WA 98112

### WEBSITE

<https://wa.kaiserpermanente.org/html/public/governance/volunteer>

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Lisa Hirohata  
Lisa.M.Hirohata@kp.org  
(206) 326-2815

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## LIFEWIRE

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### WHO WE ARE

LifeWire is a non-profit serving survivors of domestic violence with a survivor-driven, trauma-informed approach. Services include one on one advocacy, housing stability options; emergency and transitional Housing; legal advocacy, and mental health counseling.

### OUR HISTORY

From 1982 (when we opened as Eastside Domestic Violence Program), LifeWire has partnered with more than 136,000 domestic violence survivors on their journeys toward safety, stability, and healing. We are on a mission to end domestic violence and create a world where every person lives in a safe environment, free from oppression and with the opportunity to thrive.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There is a variety of ways to engage with LifeWire - working directly with survivors of domestic violence or helping with administrative tasks.

Opportunities working with survivors include answering the 24-hour Helpline, facilitating Children's Groups, and supporting survivors with legal advocacy (i.e., court accompaniments and support with DV Protection Orders). Administrative opportunities include working on fundraising events and holiday programs.

We bring on volunteers twice each year (spring and fall), and volunteers are asked to complete a LifeWire Volunteer Application and a WA State Patrol Background Check. Prospective volunteers also interview with our Resource Coordinator.

Please note: Anyone working with survivors of domestic violence must receive an initial 20 hours of domestic violence education as required by state law. LifeWire offers such a training twice each year.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

We ask volunteers to make a one-year commitment working at least one shift every two weeks. Groups interested in volunteering on a one-time basis should contact our Resource Coordinator for opportunities.

### ADDRESS

Confidential location located on the Eastside.

### WEBSITE

[www.lifewire.org/get-involved/volunteer/](http://www.lifewire.org/get-involved/volunteer/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Natalie Nguyen, Resource Coordinator  
natalien@lifewire.org  
(425) 562-8840 ext. 358

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## OVERLAKE HOSPITAL

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### WHO WE ARE

Volunteers are a vital part of Overlake Medical Center's patient and family-centered health care experience, supporting our mission and vision to provide exceptional and compassionate care to every life we touch.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The time and commitment volunteers gift to Overlake creates healing experiences that make a difference to our patients and their families while enriching volunteers' lives. Volunteers provide essential support to patients, their families, staff and physicians. Our diverse volunteer opportunities are well-suited for:

- Retirees
- Working adults
- Stay-at-home parents
- College students
- New residents

The opportunities available to volunteers at Overlake are unlike those found in other health care facilities. Volunteers provide support in a variety of settings and are often the first and last contact for our patients and their families. Some of the areas supported include:

- Main Lobby Information Desk
- Patient bedside
- Gift Gallery
- Healing Arts
- Non-clinical departments

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Various

### ADDRESS

1035 116th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.overlakeshospital.org/volunteer](http://www.overlakeshospital.org/volunteer)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Brenda L. Epstein, Resource Specialist/Patient Experience,  
Brenda.Epstein@overlakeshospital.org  
(425) 688-5103

## SEATTLE CHILDREN'S BELLEVUE CLINIC AND SURGERY CENTER (DIRECT PATIENT CONTACT)

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### WHO WE ARE

Seattle Children's Bellevue Clinic and Surgery Center opened in July, 2010. It serves families in east King County. The center offers services in more than 30 pediatric specialties and urgent care – provided by the same doctors and nurses who care for children and teens at our hospital in Seattle.

When it comes to treating children and teens, our pediatric surgeons and anesthesiologists have more experience than anyone else in the region. And our new state-of-the-art Surgery Center is designed just for children and teens who need an outpatient surgical procedure.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Below are some of the opportunities for volunteering that we offer at Seattle Children's Bellevue Clinic and Surgery Center. In addition, we also offer volunteering opportunities in the Outpatient Pharmacy, Urgent Care Clinic, Landscaping/Grounds department, Behavioral Medicine Services.

#### **Direct Patient Contact Child Life Department:**

##### **Clinic Playroom *Minimum Age: 18***

Mature, enthusiastic, caring and reliable volunteers are needed to provide fun, purposeful activities for siblings and patients while waiting for surgical procedures or clinic appointments. Volunteers help maintain toys and play supplies in the playroom, checking for safety and cleaning on a regular basis. Shifts (Minimum of 3 hours, once a week) Weekdays only: 6:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.

##### **Bellevue Outpatient Surgery Center *Minimum Age: 18***

Volunteers provide a communication link between the clinical team in the outpatient surgery center and the parents/caregivers by providing "next steps" instructions post induction. Duties may include providing comfort measures and transporting patients and families at the time of discharge. Volunteers are essential to the outpatient surgery center and are viewed as an integral part of the care team. This position provides much interaction with patients and families during the outpatient surgical experience. Shifts (Minimum of 3 hours, once a week) Weekdays only: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

##### **Bellevue Outpatient Surgery Center – Recovery Room**

###### ***Minimum Age: 18***

Recovery volunteers interact with patients and their families to provide comfort, developmentally appropriate play, and non-medical support, which helps to minimize the impact of surgical intervention.

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They also assist the medical staff with appropriate tasks. The volunteer's objective is to help provide support, but to also gain from this experience, some knowledge and insight into the medical field, more specifically and post-operative care. Shifts (Minimum of 3 hours, once a week) Weekdays only: 7 a.m. to 5 p.m.

MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Minimum commitment expectations are: 60 hours for volunteers between the ages of 16-18. 100 hours for volunteers 18 and over

ADDRESS

Seattle Children's Bellevue Clinic and Surgery Center

1500 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

WEBSITE

[www.seattlechildrens.org/ways-to-help/volunteer/opportunities-bellevue-south-clinic/](http://www.seattlechildrens.org/ways-to-help/volunteer/opportunities-bellevue-south-clinic/)

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Patty Hovik, Administrative Services Manager, Volunteer Program Manager, [Bellevuevolunteerservices@seattlechildrens.org](mailto:Bellevuevolunteerservices@seattlechildrens.org)

## SEATTLE CHILDREN'S BELLEVUE CLINIC AND SURGERY CENTER (LIMITED PATIENT CONTACT)

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### WHO WE ARE

Seattle Children's Bellevue Clinic and Surgery Center opened in July, 2010. It serves families in east King County. The center offers services in more than 30 pediatric specialties and urgent care – provided by the same doctors and nurses who care for children and teens at our hospital in Seattle. When it comes to treating children and teens, our pediatric surgeons and anesthesiologists have more experience than anyone else in the region. And our new state-of-the-art Surgery Center is designed just for children and teens who need an outpatient surgical procedure.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Below are some of the opportunities for volunteering that we offer at Seattle Children's Bellevue Clinic and Surgery Center. In addition, we also offer volunteering opportunities in the Outpatient Pharmacy, Urgent Care Clinic, Landscaping/Grounds department, Behavioral Medicine Services.

#### **Limited or non-patient contact**

##### **Clerical and office support** *Minimum Age: 16*

Assist the staff with clerical and office duties in clinical and administrative departments throughout the site. Opportunities are open to volunteers who would like to gain office experience and learn new skills and management tools currently being used in a hospital environment. Duties may include data collection, filing and collating, answering phones, using office machines and word processing. Shifts (Minimum of 3 hours, once a week) Weekdays, evenings and weekend shifts are available.

##### **Entrance guides** *Minimum Age: 16*

Volunteers will help welcome and assist all patients, families, staff and visitors in order to identify needs, provide appropriate age-related customer service and facilitate wayfinding, deliveries and entrance security. Shifts (Minimum of 3 hours, once a week) Weekdays, evenings and weekend shifts are available.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

60 hours for volunteers between the ages of 16-18.

100 hours for volunteers 18 and over

### ADDRESS

Seattle Children's Bellevue Clinic and Surgery Center  
1500 116th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.seattlechildrens.org/ways-to-help/volunteer/opportunities-bellevue-south-clinic/](http://www.seattlechildrens.org/ways-to-help/volunteer/opportunities-bellevue-south-clinic/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Patty Hovik, Administrative Services Manager, Volunteer Program Manager, [Bellevuevolunteerservices@seattlechildrens.org](mailto:Bellevuevolunteerservices@seattlechildrens.org)

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**VOLUNTEER**

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## ASIAN COUNSELING AND REFERRAL SERVICE (ACRS)

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### WHO WE ARE

Asian Counseling and Referral Service (ACRS) promotes social justice and the well-being and empowerment of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders and other underserved communities- including immigrants, refugees, and American-born- by developing, providing and advocating for innovative, effective and efficient community based multilingual and multicultural services. ACRS staff members collectively speak more than 40 languages and dialects and assist almost 332,000 people annually. The organization's programs include Behavioral Health, Aging & Adults Services, Children, Youth & Family Services, Citizenship & Immigration Assistance, Employment & Training Services, Recovery Services, Civic Engagement, and Food Bank, which improve clients and community members' self-sufficient livings in the United States.

### OUR HISTORY

ACRS was established in 1973, and started with grassroots effort. At that time, Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders (AAPI) were at risk of misdiagnosis and receiving inappropriate care from service providers unfamiliar with their culture and language. The organization was established to respond to hardships that AAPI's experienced with their cultural and language differences.

ACRS has developed into a nationally recognized nonprofit organization offering a broad array of human services and behavioral health programs to AAPI's and other underserved communities - including immigrants, refugees, and American-born.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

ACRS opened our doors in 1973 through the efforts of community volunteers. We remain a community-driven organization to this day, and we are grateful for the support of more than 700 volunteers each year who help us deliver more services to a greater number of people in their preferred languages than ever.

Volunteer opportunities are updated regularly on our website. At any given time, we are recruiting for food bank helpers, teaching assistants, volunteers for to help at our community farm, event volunteers, citizenship application assistants, kitchen helpers and more. Visit [www.acrs.org/volunteer](http://www.acrs.org/volunteer) to see our current opportunities and get involved.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Minimum commitment varies per position.

### ADDRESS

3639 Martin Luther King Way S. Seattle, WA 98144

### WEBSITE

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

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Nate Baum  
volunteer@acrs.org  
(206) 695-7637

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## BELLEVUE CLUBHOUSE

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### WHO WE ARE

Bellevue Clubhouse is a nonprofit, 501(c) 3 organization, It has been an accredited member of Clubhouse international since 2008. The Clubhouse uses a psychiatric rehabilitation model that focuses on socialization and community engagement to bring every participant, known as a member of the clubhouse program to the table for the running of the club house. This model of rehabilitation is an evidence based practice that requires adherence to standards set forth by Clubhouse international. We receive an accreditation visit from Clubhouse international every three years to make sure we are within the best practices of the Clubhouse model. We are one of the two certified Clubhouses in Washington state, one of more than 180 Clubhouses in the United States and one of 320 Clubhouses in 34 countries around the world.

### OUR HISTORY

Bellevue Clubhouse has been an accredited member of Clubhouse International since 2008, the Clubhouse together with our supports, help adult individuals with mental illness in King County access employment, return to school, find affordable housing and live independent lives. Our cornerstone is the Work Order day (WOD) Monday – Friday 8:30 am – 5:00 pm, members are encouraged to strengthen their abilities and skills through voluntary participation in the daily tasks of clubhouse operations. Members participate in the administration, clerical, enrollment, orientation, hiring, training and evaluation of staff, Public relation, advocacy, snack bar, kitchen operations, food prep, and service. Members work side by side with staff and they develop a sense of achievement which prepares them for workforce reentry via transactional employment and supported employment opportunity.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We offer volunteer opportunities in different areas of our Clubhouse program, the **Work Order Day Assistant**, where the volunteer will work side by side with members during business hours to accomplish a variety of tasks. **Transportation**, where if someone is able to drive our 15 passenger van or if the individual has a personal vehicle with which he/she is willing to provide transportation to members to facilitate access to the Clubhouse, to their employment places, to their medical appointments or any other place they may need to travel to, with this the volunteer needs to have a clean driving record which will be verified through the DMV and where they drive our van we like the individual to complete a driver safety program through the Bellevue Clubhouse. The Boar membership if someone is interested in serving in a role of governance to the organization and helping Bellevue Clubhouse become sustainable, with this the Executive

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Director and or the Board President will contact the individual to discuss the opportunity further.

MINIMUM COMMITMENT

One meal, one evening, one supply drive - however much you can share of your time and talents is appreciated! 4-10hrs per week. No more than group of 10. Serve meals 365 days a year.

ADDRESS

2650 148th Avenue SE #202, Bellevue, WA 98007

WEBSITE

[www.herohouse.org](http://www.herohouse.org)

VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Ms Olga Yarmoshik  
[olgay@bellevueclubhouse.org](mailto:olgay@bellevueclubhouse.org)  
(425) 614-1282  
(425) 614-1294 Fax

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## CONGREGATIONS FOR THE HOMELESS

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### WHO WE ARE

As the only full-service shelter resource for men experiencing homelessness on the Eastside, CFH helps men make the successful transition from homelessness to independent, stable housing. To that end, CFH programs work to address all the issues – physical, mental, and environmental – that lead to temporary or chronic homelessness.

### OUR HISTORY

CFH was founded in to address the growing number of homeless on the Eastside. Through collaborative partnership with the County, local cities, congregations, foundations and individuals, CFH has expanded to meet the demands with the highest success rates in the region.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

CFH has an ongoing need for meal donors at our winter shelter program. Individuals, and small groups, prepare and serve meals in addition to visiting and eating with the men. Additionally, there is an ongoing need for supply drives and shelter support.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

One meal, one evening, one supply drive - however much you can share of your time and talents is appreciated! 4-10hrs per week. No more than group of 7. Opportunities available 365 days a year.

### ADDRESS

515 116<sup>th</sup> Ave NE Suite 150 Bellevue WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.cfhomeless.org](http://www.cfhomeless.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Sarah Bustad  
volunteer@cfhomeless.org  
425-289-4044

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## EMERGENCY FEEDING PROGRAM

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### WHO WE ARE

Emergency Feeding Program aims to alleviate hunger. There are 1 million people in Washington at risk of going hungry tonight. EFP works with partner agencies to make nutritious food available WHEN and WHERE people need it. They are a distribution center that can provide 1-2 days of food. Not a food bank.

### OUR HISTORY

The Emergency Feeding Program began in 1977 as a partnership between the Black United Clergy for Action and the Church Council of Greater Seattle. Their goal was to create a food assistance network that would provide high quality food to all parts of King County.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

emergency food bag packing, food drives, food sorting

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

1-2 hrs (Max. 15-18 per group) 2hrs (9-11am) on Sat. and morning on M-F

### ADDRESS

851 Houser Way N, Renton, WA 98057 (St. Andrew Church in Bellevue is one of their pick up center)

### WEBSITE

[www.emergencyfeeding.org/](http://www.emergencyfeeding.org/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Belynda Dunbar  
info@emergencyfeeding.org  
(206) 329-0300

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## ESCAPE TO PEACE

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### WHO WE ARE

We are a drop-in center. We support at risk youth and young adults escaping sex trafficking. We are open daily Monday thru Friday, providing a safe place, food, rest, resources, job support, legal support, and basic needs. We also provide Trauma Therapy and shelter and housing referrals.

### OUR HISTORY

Carol Loya, a local resident and owner of Truce Spa, founded Escape to Peace after she witnessed the horrors of the sex trade during a 2012 mission to Pattaya, Thailand. Realizing the sex trade was in her own backyard in King County, Carol made and sold soy candles at TRUCE Spa to raise awareness. She packaged the candles in a way that told the story of a 12-year-old victim right here in Seattle.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Currently we have a need for someone to help clean carpets, donors for food and meal prep, outreach, marketing, assistance with candle making, raising community awareness, CSEC, and administrative duties.

### ADDRESS

Escape to Peace, Escape Space  
10400 NE 4th Street, Suite 500, Bellevue, WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.escapetopeace.org](http://www.escapetopeace.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[info@escapetopeace.org](mailto:info@escapetopeace.org)  
(425) 496-3161  
Visit our website at <http://escapetopeace.org/volunteer/> to get involved.

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## CITY OF BELLEVUE – HIGHLAND COMMUNITY CENTER

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### WHO WE ARE

The City of Bellevue Parks & Community Services provides a variety of programs, activities and services. We are committed to working with people with disabilities, their families and caregivers to help ensure that they have access to services. We provide information about program opportunities and when needed, modifications that make it possible for participants to access and participate in programs of their choice.

### OUR HISTORY

The City of Bellevue began providing adapted recreation activities for individuals with disabilities in the early 1970's with evening programs for adults with developmental disabilities. We now offer a wide variety of programs Monday – Saturday throughout the parks department with the majority of programs being held at Highland Center.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Recreation Assistants for a variety of programs. Volunteers support staff to facilitate the adaptive recreation programs. We offer sports, cooking, art, fitness, social clubs and much more.

### ADDRESS

14224 Bel-Red Rd, Bellevue WA 98007

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Mary Boyle  
Mboyle@bellevuewa.gov  
(425) 452-4118 or (425) 452-7686

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## HOPELINK

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### WHO WE ARE

Hopelink is a community action agency that has served homeless and low-income families, children, seniors and people with disabilities since 1971.

### OUR HISTORY

The agency has five multi-purpose service centers, and five housing sites throughout north and east King County. The service centers are equipped with food banks, and a staff of specialists offering various support programs, such as family development, adult education, employment training, home heating assistance and more.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Adult Education** - Tutor or mentor students in GED or English for Work classes.

**General Food Bank** - Assist before, during, or after food bank hours in one or more of the following: check clients in and out, receive, sort, and stock food donations

**Grocery Rescue** - Drive your car to a local grocery store to pick up donated items for the food bank.

**Hopelink Harvest** - Harvest fresh produce from local farms for the food bank.

**Special Events** - Assist at fundraising and community events like Hopelink's annual luncheon and Turkey Trot 5K.

### ADDRESS

14812 Main St. Bellevue, WA 98007

### WEBSITE

[www.hopelink.org/take-action/volunteer](http://www.hopelink.org/take-action/volunteer)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Liz  
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# Serving The Underserved

## INTERFAITH TASK FORCE ON HOMELESSNESS

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### WHO WE ARE

The Interfaith Task Force on Homelessness (ITFH) is composed of individuals representing religious congregations, religious organizations, and secular organizations which work toward preventing and ending homelessness. The uniting force for all ITFH members is that we approach homelessness from a religious perspective. Our membership spans much of the religious community, including Christian, Unitarian, Jewish, and Muslim. We reach out to all sectors of the faith community to join us in action and to support us morally and financially.

### OUR HISTORY

The formation of the ITFH grew out of a major conference on homelessness at St. Mark's Cathedral in April 2001, Creating the Political Will to End Homelessness. The 350 religious and community representatives who attended the conference created a 4-step Action Plan to end homelessness in King County in ten years. Action #1 of the plan envisioned the organization of a Task Force to coordinate the work of the religious community for the sole purpose of achieving the goals stated, using the theme, "Creating the political will to end homelessness in King County." The ITFH was officially convened in December 2001 under the auspices of St. Mark's Cathedral. It has been meeting since that time.

### ADDRESS

3030 Bellevue Way NE, Bellevue WA, 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.itfhomeless.org](http://www.itfhomeless.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(425) 442-5418

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## JEWISH FAMILY SERVICE

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WHO WE ARE	JFS helps vulnerable individuals and families in the Puget Sound region achieve well-being, health and stability.
OUR HISTORY	Jewish history and values guide our work; therefore, we provide effective services to people of all backgrounds and also have a responsibility to meet the particular needs of Jewish individuals and families in the region.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	ESL Classroom Assistant, ESL Teacher, ESL One on One Tutor, Citizenship Class Assistant and Front Desk Support
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Three months
ADDRESS	JFS Refugee & Immigrant Services 15446 Bel-Red Road #B-15, Redmond, WA 98052
WEBSITE	<a href="https://www.jfsseattle.org/">https://www.jfsseattle.org/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Leslie Sugiura , Director of Volunteer Services lsugiura@jfsseattle.org (206) 861-3155

## JUBILEE REACH

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WHO WE ARE	The mission of the Jubilee REACH is to build trusting relationships, understand the needs of the community, and collaborate with community organizations to then build programs which serve those in need. JR supports the social and emotional needs of children and their families. JR offers mentoring, tutoring, and over 20 after-school clubs and sports within Bellevue public schools.
OUR HISTORY	The Jubilee REACH was established in August 2006 to assist underserved families on the Eastside - specifically the Lake Hills area of Bellevue. First Presbyterian Church of Bellevue provided seed money for the Jubilee REACH. The JR is also supported by many organizations and individuals in the area.
ADDRESS	14200 SE 13th Place, Bellevue, WA 98007
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.jubileereach.org/volunteer">www.jubileereach.org/volunteer</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Tessa Swenson TessaS@JubileeREACH.org (425) 746-0506 ext. 3868

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## RENEWAL FOOD BANK

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WHO WE ARE	Renewal Food Bank is a community resource available to anyone regardless of income or residency. The food bank is a grocery store model in which clients can choose their items with limits.
OUR HISTORY	Renewal Food Bank opened in May 1998 and we have fed over 510,000 people in those 20 years.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Opportunities are available Monday through Wednesday.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	One hour per week
ADDRESS	15022 Bel-Red Rd, Bellevue 98007-Highland Covenant Church
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.renewalfoodbank.com">www.renewalfoodbank.com</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Gale Jacobson-please refer to our website for contact information

## THE SALVATION ARMY - EASTSIDE CORPS AND COMMUNITY CENTER

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WHO WE ARE	The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church. The Salvation Army Eastside Corps serves over 300,000 people on The Eastside Community.
OUR HISTORY	The Salvation Army was founded in London's East End in 1865 by one-time Methodist Reform Church minister William Booth and his wife Catherine. Originally, Booth named the organization the East London Christian Mission. The name The Salvation Army developed from an incident on 19 and 20 May.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	The Salvation Army has opportunities with its hot meal program- this consists of one hour (M-F); serving food, building relationships with clients, and cleaning tables.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	During the Christmas season there are many opportunities- this consists of volunteer bell ringers (As many hours as you would like and able), as well as volunteers for our toy warehouse (3-4 hours M-F; fills up quickly).
ADDRESS	911 164th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA, 98008
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.bellevue.salvationarmynw.org">www.bellevue.salvationarmynw.org</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Kris Burkett Kristine.Burkett@usw.salvationarmy.com (425) 452-7300 ext. 772

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## THE SOPHIA WAY

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### WHO WE ARE

The mission of The Sophia Way is to help end homelessness for single adult women in East King County, by providing shelter, life skills training, social services and supportive permanent housing, offering a pathway from homelessness to a home of their own. Currently, we are the only staffed overnight shelter for single adult women on the Eastside.

### OUR HISTORY

The Sophia Way was designed to meet the needs of clients of the YWCA Angeline's Day Center, as well as any single, homeless women in East King County. This effective, 10-bed overnight shelter doubles as an educational program, giving women the tools they need to reclaim a sustainable, independent life. Through life skills classes given by community speakers, case management, and staff support, each woman is encouraged on her journey to live in an apartment of her own. The Sophia Way provides a subsidized apartment to women for two years, with continuing case management. With the encouragement and support of the Eastside Homelessness Advisory Council, and the expertise and mentorship of our partner, Congregations for the Homeless, the Sophia Way has now served hundreds of women with support services, and over 70 women in the shelter program, with 45 women currently living in subsidized apartments.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Cook and serve meals to approx. 40 women & children each day on St. Luke's Lutheran Church. Need 1.5hrs of training to serve food. They have a few different options for meals. If you would like to donate a meal, you simply need to sign up for the day/ time that you would like to provide it. You can do that by emailing [meals@sophiaway.org](mailto:meals@sophiaway.org)

### ADDRESS

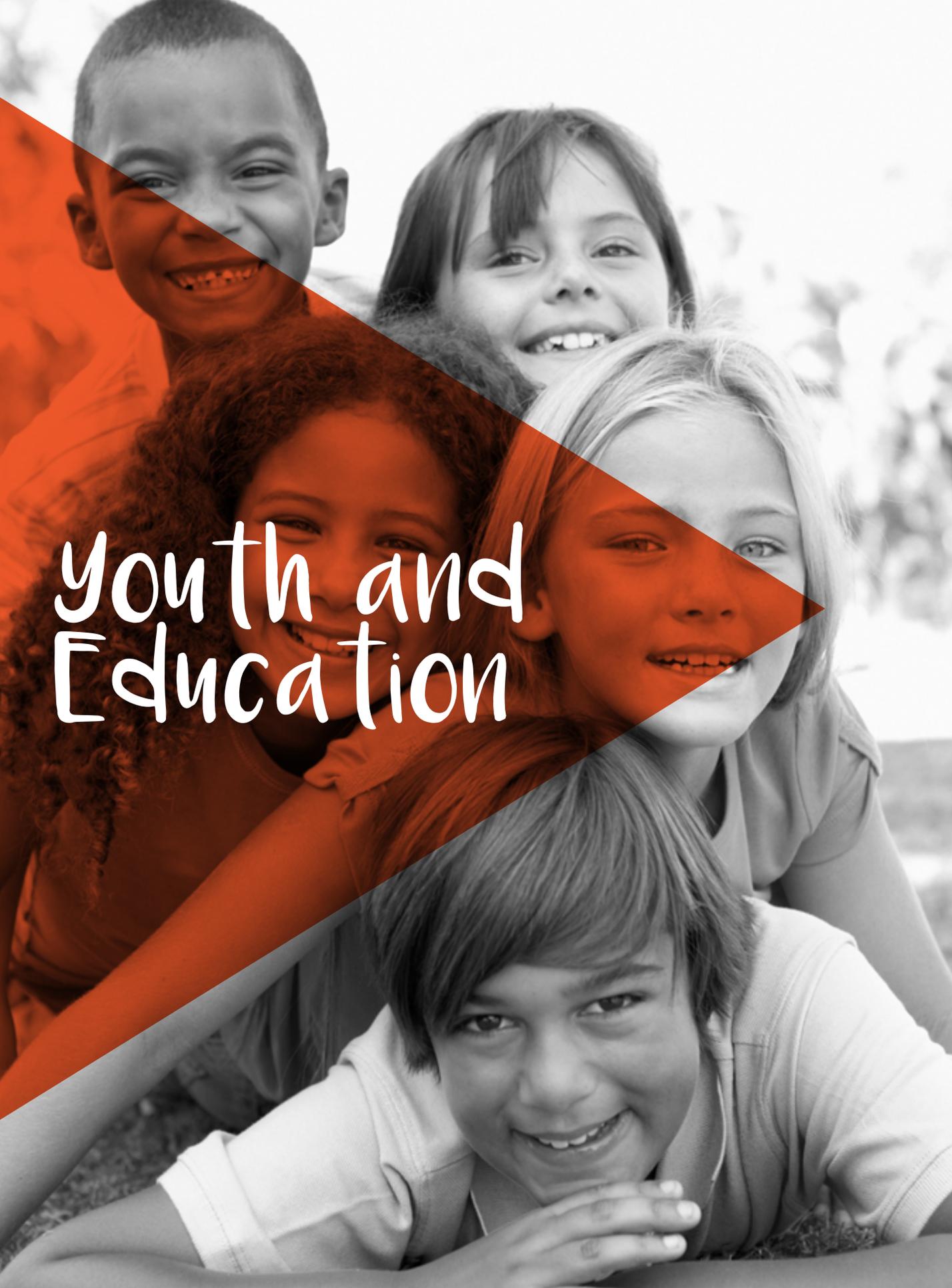
11061 NE 2nd St #223, Bellevue, WA 98004 (office) 3032 Bellevue Way NE (Shelter)

### WEBSITE

[www.sophiaway.org/volunteer/](http://www.sophiaway.org/volunteer/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Tara Noyes  
[volunteer@sophiaway.org](mailto:volunteer@sophiaway.org)  
(425) 463-6285, ext. 104



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## BACKPACK MEALS FOR KIDS

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WHO WE ARE	All-volunteer organization provides weekend meals -- breakfast, lunch and dinner on a weekly basis -- for Bellevue students whose families are unable to provide adequate nutrition. Backpack Meals coordinates closely with school district counselors to ensure that children don't start the week hungry.
OUR HISTORY	Currently, more than 250 homeless children attend Bellevue Schools. In these and other families, children may receive free and reduced price lunches during the week but they have limited access to food on the weekend. Now in its seventh year, Backpack Meals addresses the problem of weekend hunger.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Administrative tasks, food packing, weekly delivery to schools, promotion and fund-raising, board service.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	One year
ADDRESS	Mailing: 6947 Coal Creek Parkway SE, #120, Newcastle 98059
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.backpackmeals.org">www.backpackmeals.org</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Maggie Rader radermag@comcast.net (425) 246-2484

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## BELLEVUE LIFESPRING

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### WHO WE ARE

Bellevue LifeSpring's mission is to foster stability and self-sufficiency for Bellevue's children and their families through programs that feed, clothe and educate. We believe education is the pathway out of poverty. By providing for children's basic needs, we allow them to focus on education and break the cycle of poverty.

### OUR HISTORY

We have been serving children in need in the Bellevue area since 1911. For over 100 years, we have been devoted to creating brighter futures for Bellevue families living in poverty through our programs that feed, clothe, educate and provide emergency assistance.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are opportunities to get involved with Bellevue LifeSpring throughout the year. Volunteers can purchase or hold a drive to collect items to create snack packs and hygiene kits. Snack packs contain 3-4 healthy, individually-packaged snacks that help hungry students in Bellevue schools. Hygiene kits usually contain 3-4 items like toothpaste, toothbrush, deodorant and shampoo/conditioner and help support families with basic needs they can't purchase with food stamps. Drives to collect healthy school snacks, toiletry items or gently-used clothing support our pantry and thrift shop, Thrift Culture. Thrift Culture is located on the third floor of Bellevue Square, staffed by volunteers so that all proceeds can go to support our programs and services. We also have volunteer opportunities at our two major fundraising events each year, the Step Up to the Plate Benefit Luncheon in March and Uncork the Night: A Celebration of Wine and Giving in October. The Holiday Adopt-A-Family program provides additional volunteer opportunities, setting up and assisting with distribution of food and gifts for Christmas to families in need. Additionally, there are ongoing opportunities for general staff and office support all year long.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

No minimum commitment.

### ADDRESS

53203302 Bellevue Square, Bellevue, WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.BellevueLifeSpring.org](http://www.BellevueLifeSpring.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(425) 451-1175 ext. 104

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## BELLEVUE SCHOOLS FOUNDATION

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WHO WE ARE	With donor and volunteer support, we develop, promote, and fund the best possible learning opportunities for students in Bellevue's public schools. Programs we support include computer science, early learning, STEM, music and arts enrichment, social emotional learning, and much more.
OUR HISTORY	Bellevue Schools Foundation was launched in 1979 to bridge the funding gap created by levy laws that affected the district's ability to raise funds. More than 30 years later, community support remains crucial to the goal of ensuring every Bellevue child has access to a high-quality education.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Event help, office assistance, volunteering in schools as mentors, tutors, or college and career coaches.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	varies--can be one-time, project-based, or ongoing
ADDRESS	12241 Main Street, Building 5, Bellevue, WA 98005
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.bellevueschoolsfoundation.org">www.bellevueschoolsfoundation.org</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	<a href="mailto:info@bsfdn.org">info@bsfdn.org</a> (425) 456-4199

## BELLEVUE FAMILY YMCA

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WHO WE ARE	At the Y, strengthening community is our cause. We work side-by-side with our neighbors throughout King and south Snohomish counties to help kids and families thrive and apply their positive behaviors and goals at home, school, the workplace and beyond.
OUR HISTORY	The Bellevue YMCA has been located on Bel-Red Road in Bellevue for 48 years. We serve Redmond, Kirkland & Bellevue.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Depends on time of year: working with children, welcoming members to the Y, cleaning equipment, supporting events like Healthy Kids Day and Information Fairs.
ADDRESS	14230 Bel-Red Road, Bellevue, WA 98007
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.seattleyymca.org/Locations/Bellevue/pages/Home.aspx">www.seattleyymca.org/Locations/Bellevue/pages/Home.aspx</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Aleksandra Poseukova <a href="mailto:aposeukova@seattleyymca.org">aposeukova@seattleyymca.org</a> (425) 990-6972

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## BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF PUGET SOUND

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### WHO WE ARE

Our mission is to provide children facing adversity with strong and enduring, professionally supported 1-to-1 relationships that change their lives for the better, forever. Big Brothers and Big Sisters makes meaningful, monitored matches between adult “Bigs” and children “Littles”, ages 6 through 18, in communities across the country.

#### **Community-Based Mentoring**

This program of 1-to-1 mentoring takes place in the communities that the mentor and child live in. The mentor and Little get together several times a month.

#### **School-Based Mentoring**

Mentors meet one hour each week with their Little during the school year at their Little’s elementary school, after school hours. This is not a tutoring program, rather the focus is on social/emotional activities. We currently have a school-based mentoring program at Stevenson Elementary in Bellevue.

#### **Beyond School Walls**

A workplace mentoring program, where the children join their mentors at their office or place of work, twice a month, to discuss topics that aid children with building life and leadership skills, while having fun and building a friendship.

#### **MentorU**

A mentoring program partnered with a local high school, where the high school students communicate with their mentors through an online portal as well as meet up once a month at their high school. The mission of MentorU is to help high school students develop personal, academic and career skills to be ready for college and/or the workforce. We currently have a MentorU program at Interlake High School in Bellevue.

### OUR HISTORY

For more than 100 years nationally, and 60 locally, BBBSPS has operated under the belief that inherent in every child is the ability to succeed and thrive in life. Our program model has adapted over the years but we’ve maintained our focus on researched-based outcomes for our youth and child safety as our top priority.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Be a “Big” or help us recruit other mentors.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

4 hours per month

### ADDRESS

1600 S. Graham Street Seattle, WA 98108

### WEBSITE

[www.InspireBIG.org](http://www.InspireBIG.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[info@bbbSPS.org](mailto:info@bbbSPS.org)  
(206) 763-9060

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## BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF BELLEVUE

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### WHO WE ARE

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Bellevue provide safe and inclusive spaces for youth to build character and life skills through educational and recreational programs. Mission: To inspire & enable all young people, especially those who need us most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, and responsible citizens.

### OUR HISTORY

Founded in 1952, the Club has provided young people in our community with something they need and want most: a safe environment where adults respect and listen to them; a place where they can have fun. Boys & Girls Clubs of Bellevue currently operates 13 sites across Bellevue.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Club Service Projects, coaching youth sports, after school program support

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Varies by position: 1 day for a Club Service Project, one season for sports or youth program support (1-2 days per week)

### ADDRESS

209 100th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.bgcbellevue.org/](http://www.bgcbellevue.org/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(425) 454-6162

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## EASTSIDE PATHWAYS

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### WHO WE ARE

Eastside Pathways is transforming the way the community works to positively impact the lives of children and youth on the Eastside. Our mission is to mobilize our entire community to utilize our diverse strengths and skills to shape systems that best support every child, step by step, from cradle to career. Our goal is to give every child and youth the opportunities they need to fulfill their potential and be happy, healthy, and successful.

### OUR HISTORY

Eastside Pathways is headquartered in Bellevue, WA and was founded in 2011. We use a Collective Impact model that has been developed by the StriveTogether Network to mobilize the community to support every child, step-by-step, from cradle to career. Eastside Pathways consists of a backbone organization and a partnership of many organizations and individuals.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

IT, graphic design, salesforce, sharepoint, wordpress, human resources, work group facilitators and translation (primarily spanish).

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

1 year

### ADDRESS

PO Box 913, Bellevue, WA 98009

### WEBSITE

[www.eastsidepathways.org/](http://www.eastsidepathways.org/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(415) 812-3364

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## FAMILIES FOR EFFECTIVE AUTISM TREATMENT (FEAT) OF WASHINGTON

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### WHO WE ARE

Families for Effective Autism Treatment (FEAT) provides families with hope and guidance to help their children with autism reach their full potential. We provide support, give guidance and resources to families and professionals in the community. FEAT strives to reach families at pivotal transition times and be the first point of contact in order to guide them through the transitions.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Community and fundraising events, high school peer mentors, or administrative support.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Project based, no minimum commitment

### ADDRESS

14434 NE 8th Street, Suite 300 Bellevue, WA 98007

### WEBSITE

[www.featwa.org/](http://www.featwa.org/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR:

Jeanette St Paul  
info@featwa.org  
(425) 223-5126

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## KIDSQUEST CHILDREN'S MUSEUM

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### WHO WE ARE

KidsQuest creates learning through the power of play and exploration connecting children to their communities and the world. We are a hands-on, interactive museum designed to engage families and kids from birth to age ten. Our exhibits integrate science, technology, engineering, art and math for whole-body, whole-brain learning.

### OUR HISTORY

KidsQuest Children's Museum has over a decade of childhood education and community building under its belt, and our first year in the downtown Bellevue location has brought us overwhelming support! With the extra help, we've been able to expand our on-site and outreach programs, form new partnerships, and increase our volunteer base. Last year our close-knit staff worked with 279 weekly and special-event volunteers to serve 208,000 people!

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We accept volunteers for weekly shifts as well as special events. Weekly volunteers can work behind the scenes, lead activities with the museum public, and assist educators with science, art, engineering, and naturalist programs. Positions vary by season and shifts are often flexible.

Special event volunteers help with the following:

- Valentine's Day
- EggTastic Evening
- ArtTastic Evening
- BAM ArtsFair
- Block Party
- Super Science Night
- Spooktacular
- Gingerbread Workshop
- New Year's Celebration

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

3 month commitment for Regular Volunteers

### ADDRESS

1116 NE 108th Ave, Bellevue, WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.kidsquestmuseum.org/](http://www.kidsquestmuseum.org/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(425) 637-8100

AJ Curde  
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(425) 637-8100

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## KINDERING CENTER - BELLEVUE

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### WHO WE ARE

Kindering is the most comprehensive neurodevelopmental center in the Northwest and recognized worldwide for its leadership bringing early intervention research to practice. Our mission is to embrace children of diverse abilities and their families by providing the finest education and therapies to nurture hope, courage, and the skills to soar.

### OUR HISTORY

Kindering was founded in 1962 by five Bellevue-area mothers of children with disabilities. Initially known as the Eastside Preschool for the Special Child, within a few years the preschool was incorporated, gained public funding, and parent volunteers were gradually replaced by paid professionals. In 1993, the organization changed its name to Kindering, a word coined to reflect the kindness, kinship, and superior child development services families would receive. Since then the agency has continued to grow to meet the needs of the community, including contracting with local school districts to provide special education services and adding programming that includes outreach to homeless families, an early literacy program for immigrant/refugee families, and specialized support for infants and children in foster care.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

General Administrative Support (mailing, data entry, filing, photocopying, and scanning)

General Program Support (cleaning and sanitizing, prepping art projects, prepping therapy materials, etc.)

Special Event/Fundraising Support (pre-event decor/supply prep, event setup/cleanup, guest check-in, post-event mailings, etc.)

Working with Children: Classroom Support (experience is required, opportunities are limited, and consistent availability would be needed.)

Management Support (data analysis, marketing, research, IT support)

Building Maintenance (landscaping, painting, cleaning, yard work, etc.)

### ADDRESS

16120 NE 8th St, Bellevue, WA 98008

### WEBSITE

[www.kindering.org/getinvolved/volunteeropportunities/](http://www.kindering.org/getinvolved/volunteeropportunities/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(425) 653-4286

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## TINY TREES PRESCHOOL

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### WHO WE ARE

Tiny Trees Preschool is an outdoor preschool which focuses on providing a high quality and affordable access point to nature for families and 3 to 5 year olds throughout King County. We operate rain or shine and serve approximately 260 kiddos! We support childhoods full of play, adventure, and wonder.

### OUR HISTORY

In October of 2014 Tiny Trees Preschool won Social Venture Partners' Fast Pitch competition for best non-profit start up. In September 2016 Tiny Trees opened preschools in four city parks in low income neighborhoods across Seattle, followed by 3 more in King County Parks a year later. Tiny Trees' Bellevue classroom is in Cougar Mountain Regional Wildland Park.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Classroom volunteers support our teachers and kids in our outdoor classrooms (rain or shine), helping kids engage in play-based learning, going on hikes, supporting small group activities, make play dough, and engaging in other activities. We have classrooms in 7 parks across the Puget Sound, offering morning and afternoon classes Mon-Fri from 8:30am - 4:30pm, making it easy to find a location and time that works with your schedule.

We also have opportunities to get your hands dirty and build a Tiny Trees classroom, or help us refresh an existing classroom by spreading wood chips, moving logs, removing invasive species, and creating a beautiful outdoor classroom environment. Other volunteer opportunities and work parties might include making signs, laminating books, or cleaning classroom materials. These hands-on opportunities happen year-round at all of our locations, usually on weekends, and offer a great opportunity to volunteer one-time, or on a recurring basis.

Fundraising assistance is always welcome, and Tiny Trees has periodic openings on our Ambassador Board and Board of Trustees. If you have a special skill or another idea for volunteering, let us know! We'd love to partner with you.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Classroom volunteer sessions are about 4 hours a week, and one-time projects generally require 2-4 hours.

### ADDRESS

220 2nd Avenue South, #229, Seattle, WA, 98104

### WEBSITE

[tinytrees.org](http://tinytrees.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(206) 701-0245 ext. 3

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## VIBES MENTOR TUTOR PROGRAM / BELLEVUE SCHOOL DISTRICT

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### WHO WE ARE

VIBES is an in-school mentoring and tutoring program. All volunteers work directly with students. Volunteers are asked to commit to a minimum of one hour per week for the duration of the school year. VIBES application and orientation required.

### OUR HISTORY

The VIBES Mentor Tutor Program is in its 26th year. An average of 600 community volunteers are placed each year, at all grades levels, across all BSD schools. K-5 Summer School draws an average of another 100 volunteers each year, mostly high school students seeking community service hours.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Mentors/tutors can work with students 1on1, in small groups, or support whole classrooms. Choose a grade level and subject area/focus that matches your passion – literacy, math, science, languages, robotics, AVID, College Corps, English Language Learners (ELL), Special Needs classrooms, and more. For more details about ways to support Bellevue Students see our Website [www.bsd405.org/vibes](http://www.bsd405.org/vibes).

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

One hour per week for the duration of the school year.

### ADDRESS

Varies depending on school assigned.

### WEBSITE

[www.bsd405.org/vibes](http://www.bsd405.org/vibes)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[vibes@bsd405.org](mailto:vibes@bsd405.org)

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## DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL AND HEALTH SERVICES (CHILDREN'S ADMINISTRATION)

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### WHO WE ARE

Children's Administration is a public child welfare agency for the state of Washington. The mission of Children's Administration is to transform lives by acting to protect children and promote healthier families through strong partnerships with the community, providers, and tribes.

The staff works with children and families to identify their needs and develop a plan for services that support families and assure the safety and well-being of children.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

**Office Mom and Dad Program** - On call volunteer program. When children are removed from their home, often times they are waiting at a local DSHS office until placement is found. As an Office Mom and Dad volunteer, you will be able to provide comfort to the children while the social worker obtains placement for the children.

**Office Volunteer** - Assist the department with different projects and events (projects change based on office needs).

Current project is organizing and assisting with the upkeep of the care closet. The care closet holds several items for kids who come into care such as diapers, clothing, and shoes. This closet is in need of being organized and keeping updated with ensure the closet is fully stocked.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

For the Office Mom and Dad program we just ask for a 2-hour commitment when watching the children. However, based on your schedule you can leave earlier or stay longer until placement is obtained.

For the Care Closet Volunteer- hours and times are very flexible. The opportunity is based on you schedule.

### ADDRESS

805 156th Ave NE Bellevue, WA 98007

### WEBSITE

<https://www.dshs.wa.gov/ca>

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## YOUTH EASTSIDE SERVICES

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### WHO WE ARE

Youth Eastside Services is a lifeline for kids and families coping with challenges such as emotional distress, substance abuse and violence. Through intervention, outreach and prevention, YES builds confidence and responsibility, strengthens family relationships, and advocates for a safer community that cares for its youth.

### OUR HISTORY

Since 1968, YES has helped young people and their families deal with emotional issues, drug and alcohol abuse, sexual abuse, dating violence, gang activity and bullying. Each year, we help tens of thousands of kids and family members discover the inner strength to overcome emotional problems and painful crises as they learn to make the right decisions that lead them toward happy, healthy lives.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Various, Success Mentor

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Variable, Success Mentors commit to 1 year

### ADDRESS

999 164th Ave NE Bellevue, WA 98008

### WEBSITE

[www.youtheastideservices.org/](http://www.youtheastideservices.org/)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Lindseyp@youtheastideservices.org  
(425) 586-2318

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## YOUTH LINK

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WHO WE ARE	Youth Leadership Program for middle and high school students in public, private and home schools, providing hands on experience with civic engagement and work directly with public and elected officials.
OUR HISTORY	Created in 1990 by the City of Bellevue and Bellevue School District, Youth Link has implemented over 100 projects for the Bellevue Community and serves as the "youth voice" to advise City and School District on policies and issues that impact children, youth and teens.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Bellevue Youth Council; Youth Link Board; Youth Link Action Committees
ADDRESS	Youth Link Program City of Bellevue 450 110th Ave NE Bellevue, WA 98004
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.youthlink.com/">www.youthlink.com/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Patrick Alina palina@bellevuewa.gov (425) 452-5254



Other

# Other

## 91.3 KBCS

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WHO WE ARE	91.3 KBCS is a public radio station licensed to Bellevue College as a community service. KBCS connects minds and hearts to the diversity of music and ideas.
OUR HISTORY	KBCS began broadcasting in 1973. Originally as student club, KBCS has grown in to a significant radio service in the Puget Sound.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	KBCS produces regular fund raising events in the form of on the air fund drives, and other community engagement activities.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	The annual KBCS Fund Drive takes place in the Fall. To register as a fund drive volunteer, go online here: <a href="http://www.shiftboard.com/kbcs/">www.shiftboard.com/kbcs/</a>
ADDRESS	Bellevue College, 3000 Landerholm Circle SE, Bellevue 98007
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.kbcs.fm">www.kbcs.fm</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Gregory D'Elia <a href="mailto:gregory@kbcs.fm">gregory@kbcs.fm</a>

## AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY'S DISCOVERY SHOP

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WHO WE ARE	<p>We are an upscale resale shop operated by volunteers. All monies earned by the shop go to the American Cancer Society (outside of rent and utilities). We ask for a commitment of four hours of service per week done on a regular basis. We are open seven days a week and volunteers working a weekend shift are able to work out a schedule suitable to both their schedules and the shops.</p> <p>While we have a Redmond address the shop is located on the corner of 148th and 24th Avenue.</p>
OUR HISTORY	We have been in our present location for over twenty years. Prior to that we had a shop located in Kirkland. One of the founding members is still active at the shop.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	We offer opportunities in all fields. Sorting, steaming, pricing, cash register assistance and shop design.
ADDRESS	14840 NE 24th, Redmond WA 98052
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Karen Moore <a href="mailto:Doug.moore@att.net">Doug.moore@att.net</a> (425) 641-4862 Shop: (425) 869-7523

## BELLEVUE CONFLICT RESOLUTION CENTER

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### WHO WE ARE

The Bellevue Conflict Resolution Center operates under the broader Division of Neighborhood Services. Our mission is to help the citizens of Bellevue resolve neighborhood conflicts themselves through collaborative approaches such as mediation, facilitation and conciliation that lead to mutually agreeable solutions. The conflicts include: trees, fences, interpersonal issues, views, parking, barking dogs, parent teen conflicts (helping parents and teens sort through problems and communicate more constructively.) We also provide foreclosure mediations between borrowers and beneficiaries. We provide trainings to the community in conflict management, listening and communication skills and difficult conversations. We provide facilitations to small and large community groups on a variety of disputes. A newer venture is working with business startups to help them manage conflict.

### ORGANIZATION HISTORY

The program began in 2006 as the Bellevue Neighborhood Mediation Program. It is staffed primarily by volunteers who live, work or go to school in Bellevue. This strengthens the quality of neighborhoods in their problem solving capacity.

We provide annual trainings which begin with: (1) A 24 hour telephone conciliation training followed by a commitment to volunteer on a weekly 3 hour shift for six months to one year. (2) A 40 hour basic mediation training after which the volunteer may enter a practicum of observing and co mediating mediations. All trainees are required to meet certain qualifications in order to enter each phase of the volunteer program.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

To help Bellevue residents resolve conflicts, volunteers are needed for conciliation, mediation, and facilitation services. There are no special or short term projects. There are no weekend or evening volunteer opportunities.

Preferable Skills: Excellent listening and communication skills; ability to multi task; computer skills; people skills both on the phone and in person.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

The first phase is a 24 hour conciliation training followed by a commitment to volunteer on a weekly 3 hour shift for six months to one year and complete the conciliation practicum.

### ADDRESS

Bellevue City Hall, 450 110th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98004

### WEBSITE

[www.bellevuewa.gov/conflict-resolution](http://www.bellevuewa.gov/conflict-resolution)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

Cheryl Cohen, Co Manager  
ccohen@bellevuewa.gov  
(425) 452-5222

## BELLEVUE FIRE DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

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WHO WE ARE	The Bellevue Fire Department assists the public in the protection of life and property by minimizing the impact of fire, medical emergencies and potential disasters or uncontrolled events. The Office of Emergency Management offers training and information to prepare residents and businesses for all hazards affecting Bellevue and the region.
OUR HISTORY	The Office of Emergency Management is a division of the Fire Department. It's longest running volunteer group, Bellevue Communications Support, has been active for over 25 years. Our Citizen Corps Council and Community Emergency Response Team were developed in 2013 and are steadily increasing in numbers and organization.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bellevue Communications Support (BCS) – emergency communication support</li><li>• Citizen Corps Council (CCC) - Neighborhood representative</li><li>• Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) member</li></ul>
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Monthly meetings for BCS and CCC. Quarterly Meetings for CERT.</li><li>• Annually occurring events across all three groups.</li><li>• CERT members must take or have already taken CERT Basic Training.</li><li>• CERT members support CERT Basic Training and CERT Lite.</li><li>• All volunteers support emergency preparedness outreach and planning efforts</li></ul>
ADDRESS	Bellevue City Hall 450 110th Avenue NE, Bellevue, WA 98004
WEBSITE	<a href="https://fire.bellevuewa.gov/emergency-management">https://fire.bellevuewa.gov/emergency-management</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	OEMPublicEd@Bellevue.wa.gov 425-452-6807

## EASTSIDE HERITAGE CENTER

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### WHO WE ARE

The Eastside Heritage Center is committed to preserving the past as it builds community and connects people with their heritage. In addition to maintaining and preserving the largest collection of artifacts, photos and archival material related to East King County, Washington, the Eastside Heritage Center focuses on sharing this collection with the community through exhibits, books, presentations and a wide variety of education programs.

### OUR HISTORY

The Eastside Heritage Center is a private, nonprofit organization with a stated mission to steward Eastside history by actively collecting, preserving, and interpreting documents and artifacts and by promoting public involvement in and appreciation of this heritage through educational programming and community outreach.

The Eastside Heritage Center was established in 2001 through the merger of the Bellevue Historical Society, in Bellevue, and the Marymoor Museum of Eastside History, in Redmond. Due to King County budget shortfalls, the Marymoor Museum was asked to leave its home of 35 years, the Clise Mansion at Marymoor Park. The Museum closed its doors in December, 2002.

We currently have offices in two separate historic houses, the McDowell House and the Winters House, both located in Bellevue, Washington. Our vision is to have a destination heritage museum and research facility, where we can display the collection and serve the public. In the meantime, we continue to provide educational services, public programs and temporary exhibits throughout eastside communities, and we are striving to build our institution into an indispensable community asset.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Eastside Heritage Center has volunteer opportunities available in the following areas:

Public Events, marketing and communications

Oral History interviewers and transcribers

Educational Programs

Data entry (related to collections, programs and membership) – knowledge of Past Perfect and Microsoft Office programs a plus (limited number of positions)

Collections and exhibits (limited number of positions)

General office administration (limited number of positions)

Committee or board service – more details available upon request

# Other

## MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Office and Collections Department volunteers must commit to at least 4 hours a week. Regular volunteer shifts must fall between M-F 10-4. Special event and program volunteer schedules vary, with limited evening and weekend opportunities.

## ADDRESS

McDowell House, 11660 Main Street, Bellevue, WA 98005

## WEBSITE

[www.eastsideheritagecenter.org](http://www.eastsideheritagecenter.org)

## VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[info@EastsideHeritageCenter.org](mailto:info@EastsideHeritageCenter.org)  
(425) 450-1049

# Other

## EASTSIDE LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

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WHO WE ARE	Eastside Legal Assistance Program (ELAP) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit agency that provides high-quality, no-cost civil legal aid to low-income residents of East King County, Washington. We also provide legal aid to survivors of domestic violence throughout all of King County.
OUR HISTORY	ELAP was created by a handful of dedicated individuals in 1989 to address a growing need for free legal services to the low-income residents of East and Northeast King County. Over 250 volunteer attorneys and more than 60 non-attorney volunteers help each year to make this happen.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Office Assistant, Clinic Intake Manager
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	3-5 hours per week.
ADDRESS	Most of our volunteer opportunities are in Bellevue. However, clinics are held in Bellevue, Redmond, Kirkland and Issaquah
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.elap.org/">www.elap.org/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Chris Lovings Chris@elap.org 425.747.7274

## EASTSIDE TIMEBANK

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WHO WE ARE	A nonprofit providing exchanges between members such as yard work, transportation and tutoring.
OUR HISTORY	Founded in 2010 the Eastside Timebank offers membership in timebanking on the Eastside of King County. We have over 300 members in Redmond, Kirkland, Bellevue, Bothell, Kenmore, Mercer Island and Issaquah.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Help with getting the word out about timebanking and recruiting new members to the Eastside Timebank. Also, members of the timebank that volunteer with other public and private nonprofits receive timebank hours for their volunteer service.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	None
ADDRESS	6619 132nd Avenue, NE, PMB #183, Kirkland, WA 98033
WEBSITE	<a href="http://eastside.tbanks.org/">eastside.tbanks.org/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Joan Eads joan@tbanks.org (206) 818-4606

## INDIA ASSOCIATION OF WESTERN WASHINGTON (IAWW)

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WHO WE ARE	IAWW aims to provide a common identity to the Indian community and facilitate cultural, social and educational opportunities for cultural integration. As well as providing cultural programming we also serve the community through 3 main arms: Youth Program, Seniors Program and Community Program. Through these programs we touch the lives of many in the community.
OUR HISTORY	IAWW has been a nonprofit that has been in existence for over 33 years serving the Asian Indian population within Bellevue and its surrounding areas.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	We are 100% volunteer run and all programming is dependent on the great work our volunteers do. Volunteer opportunities are varied from helping with website design, compiling flyers, helping with set up of our monthly lunch program at Redmond Senior Center or weekly at North Bellevue Community Center. We also need help running conversational English classes, mentoring for our women's networking group and help with Youth Program projects. Volunteers are needed for our cultural events throughout the year.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	We have such varied programming that any volunteer time commitment is appreciated. IAWW has three main annual events (Republic Day, Independence Day and Diwali) which require extensive planning. We would also appreciate anyone that can help us with designing our webpage. We have plenty of 'ad hoc' projects as well as a need for weekly volunteering. Please connect and let us know what you are interested in doing and we connect you to the appropriate program Director.
ADDRESS	Po Box 404, Bellevue, WA 98009-0404
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.iaww.org">www.iaww.org</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	<a href="mailto:president@iaww.org">president@iaww.org</a> (425) 615-7270

## KING COUNTY DEPENDENCY COURT APPOINTED SPECIAL ADVOCATE (CASA) PROGRAM

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### WHO WE ARE

A Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) is a trained volunteer who represents the best interests of children as they are taken through the legal process of civil dependency cases, for example when CPS removes a child from a parent's care due to allegations of abuse or neglect. These trained volunteers independently review the facts of the case and make recommendations to the court for services and placement of the child.

### OUR HISTORY

The Dependency CASA Program was created in 1976 by King County Superior Court Presiding Judge David W. Soukup, who was concerned over making decisions on cases of abused and neglected children without sufficient information. Judge Soukup conceived the idea of using trained community volunteers to speak for the best interests of these children in court. This program was the first of its kind and has served as a national model for child abuse advocacy

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

The CASA talks with the child, parents, family members, social worker, school personnel, health care providers, foster parents and others who know about the child's situation. In addition, the CASA reviews relevant documentation and prepares periodic reports to the court as to findings and recommendations for the child. The CASA assignment continues until the child is returned home or finds another permanent home. Volunteers are represented in court by program attorneys and assisted by paralegals and social work staff.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

Volunteers must undergo a rigorous application process including fingerprinting and background check and an in-person interview. They must complete four days of mandatory training and 12 hours of ongoing training annually. The program asks for a minimum commitment of 18 months, but most of the cases can last 2-3 years. Monthly commitment varies per individual case, but approximately 10-12 hours a month.

### ADDRESS

1401 E. Jefferson Street, Suite 500, Seattle WA 98122

### WEBSITE

[www.kingcounty.gov/courts/JuvenileCourt/depcasa.aspx](http://www.kingcounty.gov/courts/JuvenileCourt/depcasa.aspx)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

[www.Kingcountycasa.org](http://www.Kingcountycasa.org)

# Other

## KING COUNTY LIBRARY SYSTEM

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WHO WE ARE	The King County Library System (KCLS) is a library system serving the residents of King County, Washington State. Headquartered in Issaquah, Washington, KCLS is currently the busiest library in the United States, circulating 22.4 million items in 2010. It consists of 48 libraries. KCLS offers a collection of more than 4.1 million items, including books, periodicals, newspapers, audio and videotapes, films, CDs, DVDs and extensive online resources. All KCLS libraries offer free Wi-Fi connections. People can check out 100 items and hold up to 50 items.
ORGANIZATION HISTORY	The library system began in 1942 when voters in King County established the King County Rural Library District in order to provide library services to people in “rural” areas with no easy access to city libraries. Funding for the library system was (and still is) provided from the property tax bases of unincorporated areas, and from contracts with cities and towns for the provision of library services. Funding measures for the system passed in 1966, 1977, 1980, 1988, 2002, 2004, and 2010.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	Volunteering at KCLS <a href="https://kcls.org/faq/volunteer/">https://kcls.org/faq/volunteer/</a>
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	Volunteering FAQs <a href="https://kcls.org/faq/volunteer/">https://kcls.org/faq/volunteer/</a>
ADDRESS	Bellevue Library, 1111 110th AVE NE, Bellevue, WA 98004
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.kcls.org">www.kcls.org</a> <a href="https://kcls.org/faq/volunteer/">https://kcls.org/faq/volunteer/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Arsen Avetian, Community volunteer coordinator at Bellevue Library BellevueVolunteers@kcls.org (425) 450-1765

# Other

## NORTH BELLEVUE COMMUNITY CENTER ADVISORY BOARD

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### WHO WE ARE

North Bellevue Community Center Advisory Board – Advises on special events, activities and future use of NBCC for the citizens of Bellevue and fund raise for the programs. They meet once a month for two hours and help at monthly special events or fund raisers.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Other opportunities are found through NBCC for volunteering as Ombudsman (activists for individuals that have no one looking out for them), SHIBA volunteers helping people with Medicare/Medicaid issues, Eastside legal clinic – weekly appointments helping community members at no cost, Red Cross knitters – creating for kids in need post crises.

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

The Advisory Board meets once a month for two hours and help at monthly special events or fund raisers. Most of the NBCC volunteer activities are at least monthly for a couple of hours but some could be a few hours per week.

### ADDRESS

4063 148th Ave NE, Bellevue, WA 98007

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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dlassiter@bellevuewa.gov

Darrion Spratley  
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(425) 452-7681

## PFLAG BELLEVUE/EASTSIDE

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WHO WE ARE	<p>PFLAG is the nation's largest family and ally organization. Our mission is to provide support, education, and advocacy.</p> <p>We provide support to parents, family, friends, and allies of lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) people. We educate our Eastside community. We advocate for members of the LGBTQ community where ever we are. PFLAG is committed to advancing equality through this mission.</p>
OUR HISTORY	<p>Founded in 1972 with the simple act of a mother publicly supporting her gay son, PFLAG has grown into a grassroots national organization with 400 chapters and about 200,000 supporters.</p>
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	<p>Our volunteer opportunities are suitable for a range of interests, passions, skills, and schedules.</p> <p>Areas include community outreach (assist with information tables, host a speaker, or coordinate community events, such as parades), fundraising (raise money for scholarships and support programs), scholarship committee (review candidates and select recipients), board member (help us lead and manage our chapter), advocate (take action with us), technology and infrastructure (support information delivery), marketing (public relations, press, and social media), graphic design (marketing and educational materials). While most of our volunteer opportunities are project-based and flexible with regard to hours, we welcome volunteers for activities that have specific times/dates.</p>
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	<p>While most of our volunteer opportunities are project-based and flexible with regard to hours, we also welcome volunteers/ participants for short-term activities (such as information tabling events and parades) that have specific times/dates.</p>
ADDRESS	<p>P.O. Box 52863, Bellevue, WA 98015</p>
WEBSITE	<p><a href="http://www.pflagbellevue.org/volunteer/">http://www.pflagbellevue.org/volunteer/</a></p>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	<p><a href="mailto:info@bellevue-pflag.org">info@bellevue-pflag.org</a></p>

# Other

## SEATTLE HUMANE

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WHO WE ARE	Seattle Humane “promotes the human-animal bond by saving and serving pets in need, regardless of age, ability, circumstance or geography”, according to its mission statement. This organization offers pet adoption, humane education, a Pet Food Bank, and spay/neuter services to low-income pet owners. Seattle Humane is a private non-profit organization.
OUR HISTORY	Seattle Humane was founded in 1897, to deal with animal issues such as stockyard and slaughterhouses. In 1972, as the city of Seattle and King Country founded their own animal control divisions, Seattle Humane moved to Bellevue, saving and helping pets in need.
VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES	We have volunteer opportunities available in almost every part of our organization, including Cat Care, Dog Care, Veterinary Services, Adoptions, Education, Community Outreach, Special Events, and more.
MINIMUM COMMITMENT	All applicants must complete an orientation before being accepted into the program, and we require a 6-month minimum commitment. Most opportunities (especially those that work with animals) require a weekly schedule, but there are some flexible and on-call opportunities as well.
ADDRESS	13212 SE Eastgate Way, Bellevue, WA 98005
WEBSITE	<a href="http://www.seattlehumane.org/">www.seattlehumane.org/</a>
VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR	Brittany Lounsbury volunteers@seattlehumane.org (425) 649-7557

# Other

## WHEELLAB

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### WHO WE ARE

WheelLab is a registered 501(c)(3) mobile bike building program that offers a new kind of opportunity for youth to develop their mechanical and social skills through bike builds, camaraderie, and leadership skill development.

### OUR HISTORY

Founded by Lance Latimer, WheelLab started as a partnership with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Bellevue located at their teen center. The program was developed by Lance because he recognized a need in the community for youth to have a hands-on skill building experience while creating a safe place to develop their social and emotional skills.

### VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Volunteering with classes on Monday and Thursday nights from 4-6 or with special events happening quarterly

### MINIMUM COMMITMENT

6 months for classes or 1 month for special events

### ADDRESS

15228 Lake Hills Blvd, Bellevue WA 98007

### WEBSITE

[www.wheellab.org](http://www.wheellab.org)

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATOR

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(253) 988-6669

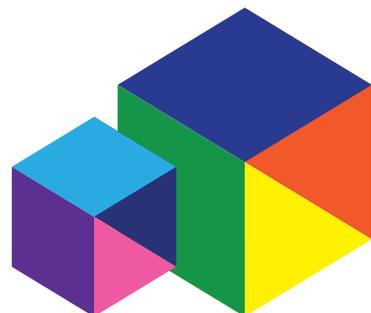
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# BELLEVUE ESSENTIALS CLASS

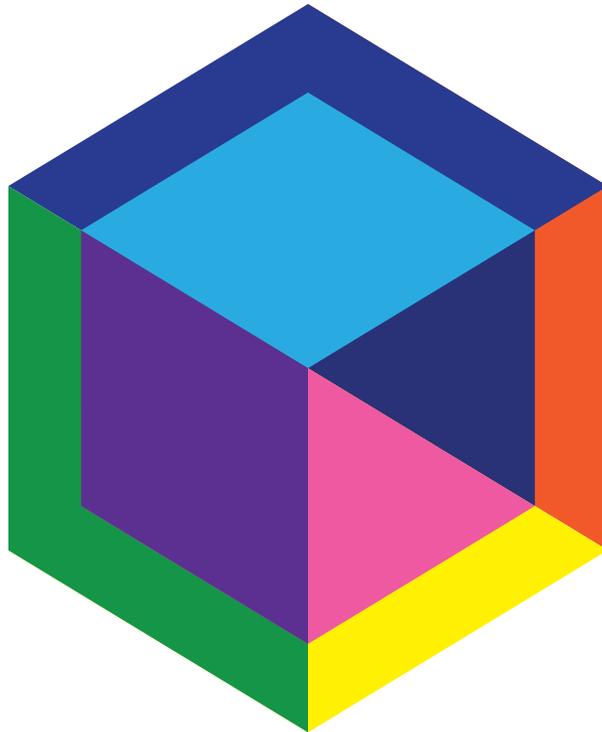
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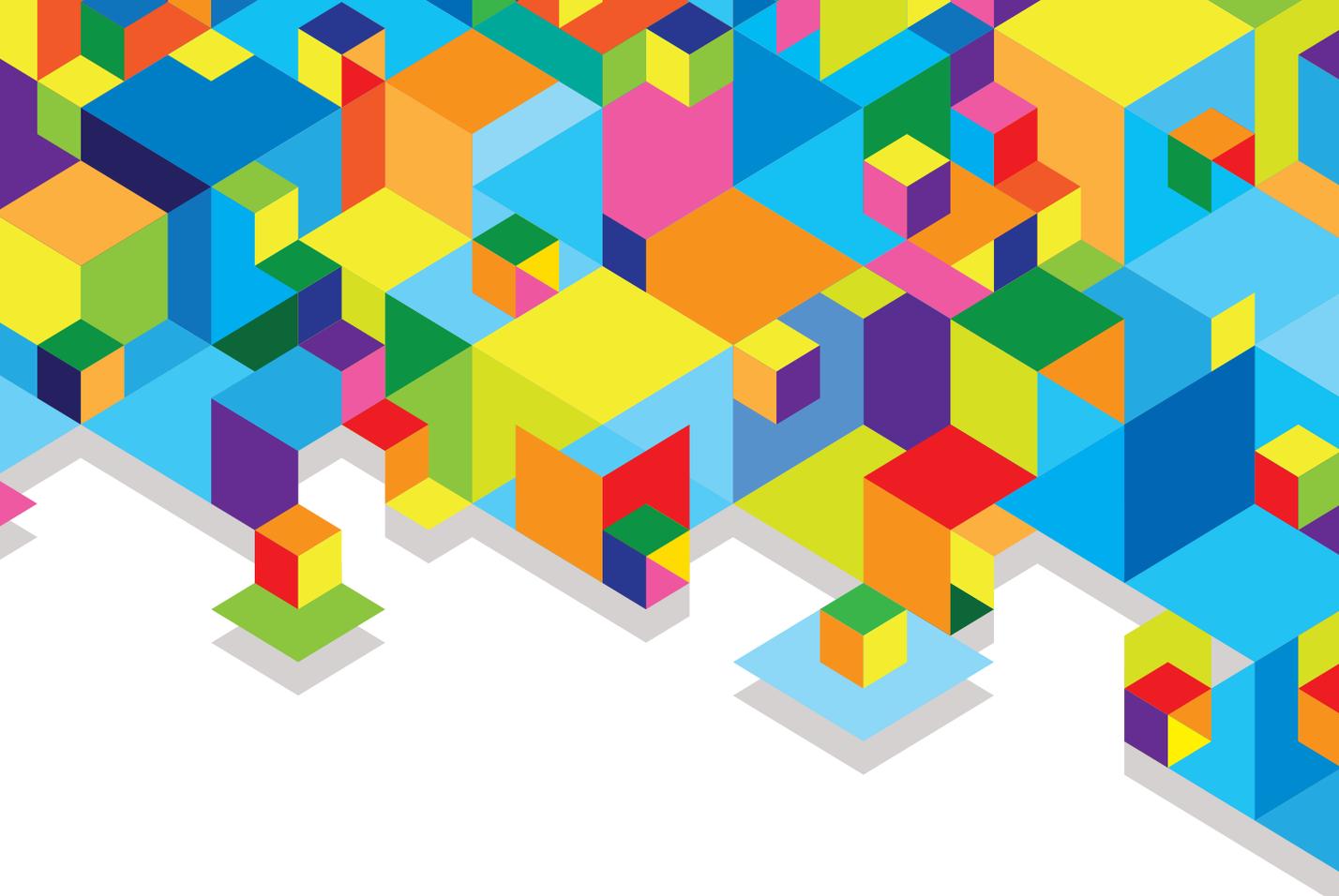
The Bellevue Essentials program provides an entry point for emerging community leaders. This transformational nine-week program highlights the structures and inner workings of city government in many arenas. Topics include demographics, public process, city planning, economic development, human services, utilities, finance and transportation, public safety and more.

Applications for the Fall, 2019 Bellevue Essentials program will be available in Spring, 2019. Classes are held weekly on Wednesday evenings, late September through November each year.

Weekly Program classes will be Wednesday evenings from September 27 – November 15.

For more information, please contact Julie Ellenhorn at 425 452 5372 or email [jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov](mailto:jellenhorn@bellevuewa.gov) to request a brochure and application be sent to you when they are available.





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in your local community