

VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Library volunteers play an important role in helping the Berwyn Public Library meet its goals of connecting people and building community. Children, teen and adult volunteers contribute their unique talents, skills, and knowledge in helping staff members with jobs suited to the volunteer's skills and abilities for short and long-term projects.

General Adult Volunteers:

The Berwyn Public Library offers a variety of volunteer opportunities for adults. Anyone is eligible to apply for general volunteer opportunities at the Library. Adults wishing to volunteer at the Berwyn Public Library must fill out an "Adult Volunteer Application" and submit it to the Adult Volunteer Coordinator. Applications are available online and at the Circulation Desk. Volunteers are not required to complete a background check unless they are working directly with minors.

Teen and Youth Volunteers

The Berwyn Public Library offers volunteer hours toward confirmation, Scouts, National Honor Society, class assignments or for job experience and college applications. Anyone age 12 to 17 is eligible to apply for volunteer opportunities at the Library. Kids and teens wishing to volunteer at the Berwyn Public Library must fill out a volunteer application and submit it to the Youth or Teen Volunteer Coordinators. Applications are available online and at the Circulation Desk.

Community Service Helpers:

Under certain conditions, the Berwyn Public Library offers individuals who are required to complete community service by the local court system the opportunity to perform part or all of their service at the Library. Completing community service hours at the library depends on individual circumstances and the availability of work during the time frame for completion of the required hours.

Homework Help Volunteer Tutors:

The Berwyn Public library offers volunteer opportunities for adults and teens who are interested in one-on-one tutoring with students in grades K-8. Applicants must contact the Homework Help Coordinator directly for an application. All Homework Help tutors must complete training provided by Library staff and a background check (if 18 or older) with the City of Berwyn. Any applicants who do not pass the background check will not qualify to be a tutor in this program.

Internships

The Berwyn Public Library offers periodic internship opportunities. The Library mentors library students through this program. Interns shadow professional staff, offer off-site story times, and/or gain experience through working an information desk. Interns working with minors will be required to complete a background check. These internship positions can be invaluable learning opportunities for both the interns and the Library.

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