

New York City College of Technology
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**CUNY Service Corps: Finding volunteer
opportunities that enhance credentials while
serving the community**

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AGENDA

Purpose:

Helping students find volunteer opportunities that enhance credentials while serving the community

Topics

CUNY Service Corps

- video – mission, student stories
- program requirements and benefits
- community partners

Other Volunteer Opportunities

- volunteer websites
- job websites
- individual organizations
- umbrella organizations
- volunteer opportunities that require longer commitment

CUNY Service Corps

Learn to Serve, Serve to



CUNY Service Corps student repairing homes damaged by Hurricanes Irma and Maria, Puerto Rico



Video - CUNY Service Corps Overview and Community Partners

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=d3LA3EX5iow>

Eligibility Criteria

- Be working toward a degree at one of the participating CUNY colleges
- Be enrolled full-time (at least 12 credits) in the current semester and **plan to enroll full-time in the 2022-23 academic year**
- Have a cumulative Grade Point Average of at least **2.5**
- Have **earned at least 24 college credits** by the end of Summer 2022
- Have completed all remedial education needs prior to beginning Fall 2022 classes
- Be authorized to work in the U.S.



Program Benefits

Service Corps is more than an internship. It's a 24-week service commitment where students can:

- Earn \$15.61-17 hour, 10 hours per week
- Gain valuable experience
- Get professional development coaching
- Build a professional network
- Earn internship credits in some cases
- Help fellow New Yorkers

Some Past Service Placements (100+ locations)

Architecture/ Construction/ Engineering Positions

Brooklyn Navy Yard Development Corporation

Construction Management Corps Member

Facilities Management Corps Member

CUNY Institute for Urban Systems Performance Lab

Energy Data Lab Assistant

Building Re-Tuning Program Assistant

Communication Design Positions

Brooklyn Borough Hall Graphic Design Corps Member

NYC Industrial and Technology Assistant Group (ITAC)

Marketing and Communications Corp Member

Economic Development Positions

Federal Reserve Bank of NY

Internal Audit Corps Member

Outreach and Education

Strategic Planning Office Corps Member

South Bronx Overall Economic Development Corp.

United Business Cooperative Corps Member

Human Services Positions

Coney Island Hospital Comfort Specialist

The Door (University Settlement)

Counseling Center Corps Member

Runaway and Homeless Youth Corps Member

Legal Positions

Center for Court Innovation

Alternative Sanctions Corps Member

Peacemaking Program Member

Workforce Development and Fatherhood Member

US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission

Enforcement & Intake Corps Member

FOIA Compliance Corps Member

Information Technology Positions

Coney Island Hospital CIH Office Team Member

NYC Industrial and Technology Assistant Group

(ITAC) Technology Assistance and Acceleration Member



Above: CUNY Service Corps Matching Fair at John Jay College
– 1000+ accepted students interviewing with 400+ placement site supervisors

Meaningful One Day Volunteer Projects

- Service Corps students have beautified Fort Green Park, McLaughlin Park and Cadman Plaza Park by raking, pruning and planting daffodils;
- delivered meals to homebound seniors at the Stanley Isaacs Senior Center and with the City Meals on Wheels WEBE Nutrition program in the upper West Side;
- tutored elementary children with Reading Partners at PS 140 in Manhattan's Chinatown;
- prepared nutritious meals to people who are ill for God's Love We Deliver;
- rebuilt homes (sheet rocking, painting, sanding) damaged by Hurricane Sandy with Friends of Far Rockaway;
- tutored youth and helped recent immigrants learn English with the Arab American Family Support Center



Above: Mentoring Day: Morgan Stanley executives help City Tech Service Corps students strengthen their elevator pitches and career narratives to prepare for the upcoming Matching Fair

Support to faculty interested in integrating Service Corps into the curriculum and awarding credit to participating students

Past faculty-led projects that were Service Corps placement sites include but not limited to:

- Energy and Environmental Simulation Laboratory (EESL- Professor Nakamura);
- US Department of Energy Solar Decathlon Project: Team Dura (Professor Aptekar)

To apply, please go to: cuny.edu/servicecorps



**Thierno Diallo, 2015-16 Service Corps Research & Analysis intern,
Federal Reserve Bank of New York**

Duties: Research or analysis; accounting or finance.

Major: B.S Applied Mathematics – Financial Science

Thierno indicated that the CUNY Service Corps pushed him to grow professionally – both the placement site and the campus training components. As a CSC member, Thierno helped to develop a manual that synthesized best practices in the use of major statistical software (Matlab, SAS, STATA, and R) that was to be used broadly across the Bank. His site supervisor was so impressed that she offered him a regular full-time position as Data Scientist Associate. Thierno grew up in a poor village in Guinea. He immigrated to the US in 2010 and took ESL classes to improve his English before enrolling in City Tech in 2014. He is the first in his family to get to high school and to graduate from college.

Job after Graduation: Consultant and Data Scientist Associate, Federal Reserve Bank of New York

Average Base Pay for a Data scientist in NYC: \$136,654/year
(glassdoor.com, Oct 2018)





CUNY Service Corps Cohort 2019-2020

[Volunteer Website: New York Cares](https://www.newyorkcares.org/search/projects/results?location=206)

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Meets pressing community needs by mobilizing caring New Yorkers in volunteer service.

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Search Projects In Need Of Volunteers

Brooklyn X

When I am free...

Issues I care about...

[SEARCH](#)



Volunteer Website: New York Cares

(132 volunteer opportunities retrieved today with key word “Brooklyn”)



Hand Out Bagged Groceries

CHURCH OF GOD OF PROPHECY

Distribute bags of groceries at a food pantry that's seen higher demand because of COVID-19. You'll be on your feet the whole time and... [READ MORE ►](#)

High-Need

NEW LOTS,
BROOKLYN

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SPOTS LEFT

TUESDAY,
MARCH 15
1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

[SIGN UP](#)



Unload And Stock Food Delivery

NORTHEAST BROOKLYN HOUSING DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Stock shelves after unloading and organizing food deliveries. You'll also bag produce into portions. You'll be on your feet the whole... [READ MORE ►](#)

High-Need

BEDFORD
STUYVESANT,
BROOKLYN

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SPOTS LEFT

WEDNESDAY,
MARCH 16
10:00 AM - 2:00
PM

[SIGN UP](#)

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Volunteer Website: NYC service
<https://www.nycservice.org/search/>



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**CELEBRATING TEN YEARS OF
SERVICE IN NEW YORK CITY!**

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Volunteer Websites: NYC service

<https://www.nycservice.org/search/>

72 volunteer opportunities retrieved with key words “Brooklyn” and “within 1 mile”

NYC SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

VOLUNTEERMATCH

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OPPORTUNITY	ORGANIZATION	DATE	LOCATION	CATEGORY
Volunteer Literacy Tutor for Children Grades 3-8 (IN-PERSON)	READ 718	Ongoing	READ 718 Brooklyn, NY	Education
Human Resources Volunteer	A Free Bird Organization	Ongoing	146 Smith Stre... Brooklyn, NY	Health and Well-Being
TEACH AN ADULT TO READ!	Imani House, Inc.	Ongoing	150 South Port... Brooklyn, NY	Other
Community Food Pantry Volunteer	Make The Road New York	Ongoing	301 Grove St Brooklyn, NY	Other
Special Project Volunteers Needed!	Heights and Hills	Ongoing	81 Willoughby ... Brooklyn, NY	Other
Friendly Visitors Needed for Isolated Older Adults!	Heights and Hills	Ongoing	81 Willoughby ... Brooklyn, NY	Other

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Website about Non-Profits: Idealist.org Volunteer Opportunities

1,178 volunteer opportunities retrieved with key word "11201" Brooklyn zip code

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Location: Bro... ✕

Volunteering ✕

Volunteering ▾

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COVID-19 Only



[AARP](#)

[DoSomething](#)

[New York Cares](#)

[Volunteer.gov](#)

Job Website: [Indeed.com](https://www.indeed.com)

<https://www.indeed.com/jobs?q=volunteer&l=Brooklyn%2C%20NY&vjk=7395a40f1336f926>

80 opportunities retrieved with key words "volunteer" and "Brooklyn, NY"



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What volunteer



Where Brooklyn, NY



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Date Posted ▾

Salary Estimate ▾

within 25 miles ▾

Job Type ▾

Location ▾

Company ▾

Experience Level ▾

[Upload your resume](#) - Let employers find you

volunteer jobs in Brooklyn, NY

Sort by: **relevance** - date

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**Support Mental Health Needs of New Yorkers
in Crisis - Volunteer!**

Samaritans Suicide Prevention Center
New York, NY 10159
Part-time

Individual Organization – Maimonides Medical Center

<https://maimo.org/careers-and-volunteers/volunteer/volunteer-programs/>

Volunteer Programs

We offer many hospital-wide volunteer opportunities

Apply to become a volunteer

To become a volunteer, please complete the following applicable forms:

- [Adult Volunteer Application Packet](#)
- [High School Student Application Packet](#)

All volunteers including adults and high school students are required to complete the Medical Clearance Forms. These forms will be provided after receipt of your volunteer application.

Individual Agency - New York City Parks Department
(nyc.gov)
<https://www.nycgovparks.org/opportunities/volunteer>

Join a Volunteer Program

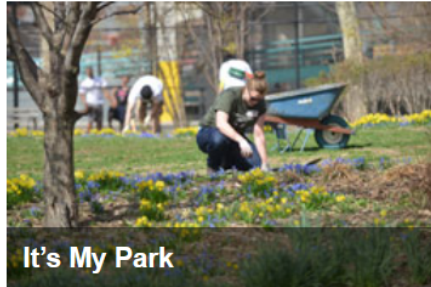
We need your help growing and sustaining a greener New York City. Join our teams and local community groups helping out with our on-going greening projects:



NYC Parks Stewardship

Help restore natural areas, plant and care for trees, and monitor wildlife in our parklands. Find events and learn how you can grow as a Parks volunteer.

[Become an NYC Parks Steward](#)



It's My Park

Each year, hundreds of neighbors meet in their local parks to help us plant flowers, paint benches, weed, and rake leaves.

[Find out how you can join It's My Park](#)



Request a Volunteer Project for Your Group

We're always looking for a helping hand. Find out how your group can team up with NYC Parks to lead a volunteer project.

[Request a Volunteer Project](#)



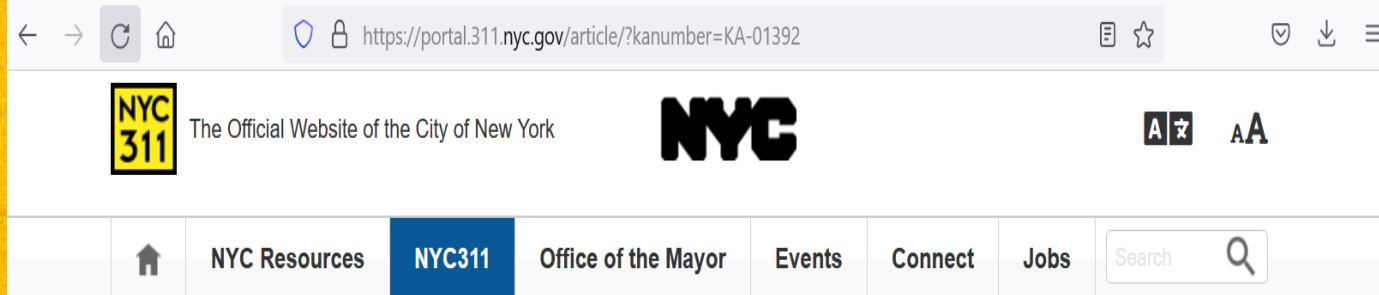
GreenThumb

Join GreenThumb and the 20,000 community gardeners who tend to more than 550 gardens across the city.

[Learn More About GreenThumb](#)

NYC Call Center: Nyc.gov – 311

<https://portal.311.nyc.gov/article/?kanumber=KA-01392>



Volunteering

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Umbrella Organizations:

United Neighborhood Houses (45 settlement houses)

<https://www.unhny.org/>

The screenshot shows the homepage of the United Neighborhood Houses (UNH) website. The browser's address bar displays 'https://www.unhny.org/'. The main content area features four large orange numbers with corresponding descriptions: '45 Member organizations', '680+ Sites across New York', '24K+ Settlement house staff', and '765k+ People served yearly'. Below this, a paragraph describes UNH as a policy and social change organization representing 45 neighborhood settlement houses that serve 765,000 New Yorkers. To the right, there are two sections: 'Who We Are' and 'Our History', each with a brief description and a right-pointing arrow. The 'Who We Are' section states that UNH promotes a neighborhood-based, multi-service approach to improving the lives of New Yorkers. The 'Our History' section states that UNH was founded in 1919 to unify the settlement houses' collective efforts to achieve social reform.

45	680+	24K+	765k+
Member organizations	Sites across New York	Settlement house staff	People served yearly

United Neighborhood Houses (UNH) is a policy and social change organization representing 45 neighborhood settlement houses that serve 765,000 New Yorkers from all walks of life.

Now in our 100th year, UNH is stewarding a new era for New York's settlement house movement. We mobilize our members and their communities to advocate for good public policies locally and statewide and we promote strong organizations and practices that keep neighborhoods resilient and thriving for all New Yorkers.

Who We Are

UNH promotes and strengthens the neighborhood-based, multi-service approach to improving the lives of New Yorkers

Our History

UNH was founded in 1919 to unify the settlement houses' collective efforts to achieve social reform

Umbrella Organizations:

United Neighborhood Houses (45 settlement houses/ orgs)

<https://www.unhny.org/>

Brooklyn

- 10 Arab-American Family Support Center, Inc.
- 11 CAMBA
- 12 Center for Family Life in Sunset Park
- 13 Cypress Hills Local Development Corporation
- 14 Red Hook Initiative
- 16 School Settlement Association
- 17 Shorefront YM-YWHA of Brighton-Manhattan Beach, Inc.
- 15 St. Nicks Alliance
- 18 United Community Centers

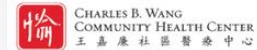
Umbrella Organizations:

Asian American Federation of New York (60 member organizations)

<https://www.aafederation.org/>



Asian American
Legal Defense and
Education Fund



Volunteer Programs with longer commitment

Peace Corps - <https://www.peacecorps.gov/>

AmeriCorps - <https://americorps.gov/>

NYC Civic Corps -
<https://www.nycservice.org/initiatives/3>

NYC Dept of Youth and Community Development – SYEP (up to age 24)
<https://www1.nyc.gov/site/dycd/services/jobs-internships/summer-youth-employment-program-syep.page>



The screenshot shows the official website of the NYC Department of Youth & Community Development. At the top, the NYC logo is displayed next to the department's name. Navigation links include 'Home', 'About', 'Get Services', 'Get Involved', and 'Get Connected'. A search bar is located on the right. The main heading is 'Jobs & Internships'. On the left sidebar, there are links for 'After School', 'Family Support', 'Immigrant Services', 'Jobs & Internships' (which is highlighted), 'Reading & Writing', and 'Runaway & Homeless'. The main content area features a large banner for the 'Summer Youth Employment Program (SYEP)'. The banner includes the NYC logo, the 'WORKFORCE CONNECT' logo, and the contact information 'NYC.GOV/SYEP • 1.800.246.4646'. Below the banner is a collage of four images: a young man working on a car, a young man in a kitchen, a young woman wearing a face mask, and a young woman with a speech bubble that says 'CHAT'.

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