

## **Lancaster Recreation Commission Volunteer Opportunities**

Spend some of your recreation time as a volunteer. We have lots of opportunities for you to help others while having fun yourself! Check out the list below and contact the staff member for details.

### **Youth Sports Coaches**

Be a positive role model for children! Coaches are needed for baseball, basketball, cheerleading, field hockey, flag football, softball, tennis and track and field. We provide training and support – you provide the patience and enthusiasm! Whatever your reasons are – spending quality time with your child, building your resume, sharing your sports knowledge, giving back to the community – we need you. Email Audra at [alanders@LancasterRec.org](mailto:alanders@LancasterRec.org).

### **Senior Center Helpers**

Help to enrich the lives of senior citizens. Play board games, assist with special events, lead a fitness class, provide entertainment, teach a craft, share a hobby, present an educational program or help with clerical duties. Volunteer during daytime hours, Monday through Friday. Email Susan at [sdavis@LancasterRec.org](mailto:sdavis@LancasterRec.org).

### **Family Recreation Programs and Special Events**

If you'd like to help organize and run any of our family events and programs, we'd love to have you! Lots of hands are needed to make the activities run smoothly, from one-day community events like the Easter Egg Hunt and the Giant Yard Sale, to the week-long Lancaster Senior Games and its 40+ recreational and competitive events, to the weekly Summer Family Film Series at Buchanan Park. Volunteering can count towards community service hours for high school students. Email Jill at [jdiller@LancasterRec.org](mailto:jdiller@LancasterRec.org).

### **Children's Programs**

Do you want to help shape the lives of children? You can assist with homework, lead arts and crafts activities and group games, serve healthy snacks, read stories and oversee other daily activities. Opportunities are available at before and after school sites during the school year, at day camps over the summer months and at preschools year round. Bring your special skills, hobbies and talents to help us offer enriching activities! Email Lucy at [lzimmerman@LancasterRec.org](mailto:lzimmerman@LancasterRec.org).

### **Facility Maintenance**

The Lancaster Recreation Center is a busy place! Helpers work with our maintenance team to clean building areas and do minor repairs. Ball field dragging and lining and swimming pool maintenance help is needed outdoors during the spring and summer months. Email Terry at [tkreider@LancasterRec.org](mailto:tkreider@LancasterRec.org).

**Office Assistant**

Are you available during the work day? Help us with data entry, stuffing envelopes, preparing mailings, copying and filing. We also can use translation help for our Spanish-speaking children and families. Email Stephanie at [smathias@LancasterRec.org](mailto:smathias@LancasterRec.org).

**Teen Counselors-in-Training**

Want to gain valuable job skills over the summer? Be a Counselor-in-Training at Camp Optimist. C-I-Ts are ages 14 and 15. Teens work closely with Camp Counselors to lead activities for children while working on communication skills, team work and handling responsibility. Email Lucy at [zimmerman@lancasterrec.org](mailto:zimmerman@lancasterrec.org).

**Teen Junior Playground Leaders**

Attention teens ages 14-16! Do something challenging over the summer. If you are upbeat and friendly, like younger kids and like to have fun, be a Junior Playground Leader. You'll build leadership skills and gain valuable work experience too. Email Robin at [rhayestoney@LancasterRec.org](mailto:rhayestoney@LancasterRec.org).