

Frequently Asked Questions

What things do volunteers help with?

There is a wide variety of opportunities for volunteers. Some opportunities are cart ordering, shelving, and assisting customers with internet computers.

What time commitment is expected of me as a volunteer?

Many of our positions require a minimum of 3 months. Some positions require more training and longer commitments of 6 months to a year. A typical shift is 2 hours once a week.

Do I have a set schedule?

Yes. We need to know when to expect volunteer help so scheduling is very important.

What if I only want to volunteer for a couple of weeks or a short period of time?

Our positions require a regular on-going commitment. Our minimum required commitment is 3 months. Short-term volunteer opportunities can be found at <http://www.volunteercentraloregon.org/>

What is the minimum age required for volunteering?

Applicants who are 12 years of age or older will be considered for most positions.

Can I complete service hours for school?

Maybe. Please contact your local library Volunteer Liaison to discuss options. There are limited opportunities for students that need to complete 10 hours or less of service.

Can I complete community service hours that are court-referred?

Maybe. Please contact Volunteer Services at 541-312-1039 for more information.

How do I get training?

On your first day, you will begin training with staff. Some positions require additional training which will ideally coincide with your regular weekly shift.

Once I become a volunteer, may I use the library as a reference?

After volunteering with the library for 30 hours, you are welcome to use the library as a reference.

I'm interested in volunteering evenings or weekends. Is that needed?

Maybe. Contact your local library Volunteer Liaison to discuss evening and weekend opportunities.

How do I get started?

To apply to be a library volunteer, complete an online application. We will be in touch 7-10 days after receipt of your application.

Other questions?

Contact your local library Volunteer Liaison or The Volunteer Services Program Coordinator at judy@deschuteslibrary.org or 541-312-1039