

## teensReach Volunteer



**Position Overview:** 

Be part of a fun volunteering opportunity for teens between the ages of 13-18. Earn community service credit while supporting the library by assisting with library programs, fundraising, promotion, and representing the library's teen point-of-view.

Responsibilities:

Use your own unique skills and have the opportunity to develop new skills as a part of the library's teen volunteer club.

- Assist with various library programs & fundraising
- Give input to library collections & programming
- Take opportunities to develop leadership skills and be a part of focus groups related to teen & youth matters
- Promote library programs & services as a volunteer representative

**Benefits**:

- Community service credit for school requirements
- Opportunities to practice & develop leadership skills
- Meet new friends while helping your community at the same time
- Prepare for college, scholarship, and job applications by building a
  history of your reliability, work ethic and other unique skills used while
  volunteering. Recommendation letters available on request.

Training/Support Available:

- Orientation to the San Jose Public Library system, including training on the library, programs & services
- Assistance and support from library staff members, especially the branch teensReach advisor.
- Additional opportunities for leadership training and growth experiences provided as available

Qualifications:

- Commitment to understanding, promoting and assisting the library
- Dependability & reliability in assisting with scheduled programs and projects
- Enthusiasm and ability to work well with others
- Ability to take direction from branch teensReach supervisor and other library staff
- Willingness to be a positive role model to other youth and members of the community while volunteering at library programs
- Interest in making a difference in the community through the library and developing leadership skills
- All teensReach volunteers must be between 13-18 yrs old

**Commitment**:

- Must be able to attend 1 hour meetings once a month and assist regularly at additional programs and events as scheduled
- Minimum weekly/monthly time commitment to be negotiated with the branch teensReach advisor as determined by individual branch needs

Contact:

teensReach Advisor - ----- Branch Library, address, phone, email