

# Sturgeon Bay High School

## Community Service Program

**Why is community service important?** Community service work identifies you as a person who is involved in your community, committed to giving time for the well-being of others, and experienced in real-world issues. Students who serve the community have an edge whether seeking employment, applying for colleges or technical schools, or competing for limited scholarships.

### What opportunities are offered to me through community service?

- Test your learning in the real world.
- Work with some of the community's skilled leaders and professionals.
- Learn about some of society's needs, issues, and problems.
- Explore a career possibility.
- Enhance employability by gaining work experience and references.
- Obtain an edge for scholarships.

**Is community service required of me?** In order to earn a Sturgeon Bay High School diploma, students must complete 40 hours of community service. Community service hours will be noted on the transcript.

### How do I participate in the Community Service program?

1. Obtain a Community Service Experience Verification form from the High School Office.
2. Work as a volunteer for a non-profit community organization.
3. Request that your site supervisor complete the Experience Verification form.
4. Write a one-page summary of your experience. Be sure to address these questions in your summary:
  - a. What were the duties of your volunteer role?
  - b. Why did you choose this particular activity to satisfy the volunteer requirement?
  - c. What did you learn from your volunteer work?
5. Return your Experience Verification form and your one-page summary to the High School Office.

### Where can I perform community service?

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| All area churches       | Boy and Girl Scouts          | Rotary International            |
| All area schools        | Clothe My People             | Senior Center                   |
| Altrusa                 | Department of Human Services | Dorchester                      |
| American Cancer Society | Door County Medical Center   | United Way                      |
| Relay for Life          | Feed My People               | Volunteer Center of Door County |
| American Red Cross      | Headstart                    | YMCA                            |

**Are there any limitations on community service activities or supervisors?** A parent / guardian, relative, or family member may not be your community service supervisor.

**Who keeps track of my community service hours and paperwork?** A record of your community service hours will be kept in the High School Office. After completing 40 hours, a notification will be placed on your high school transcript. You should also keep track of your hours, and keep copies of all completed forms.

**Where can I get more information on the Community Service program?** For more information, please contact either a counselor or the principal.