



MAKE A DIFFERENCE: JOIN OUR VOLUNTEER TEAM!



Our mission

Jackson Street Youth Services is here to promote safety, stability, and well-being for youth. We work to prevent homelessness by showing a path to long-term success through building positive relationships and teaching skills for self-sufficiency.

Questions? Contact Volunteer Coordinator Blair Girard
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Volunteer Application

Thank you for your interest in supporting youth!

Today's Date: _____

Legal Name: _____ Pronouns _____

Preferred First Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address (including City, State, Zip): _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Best Time and Way to Contact: _____ T-shirt size: _____

Why are you interested in volunteering with Jackson Street?

Please describe current and previous volunteer positions or community connections:

Please describe previous experience working with youth:

How many hours per month would you like to volunteer? _____

Are you volunteering for a class or other credit-based group? _____

What languages are you fluent in? _____

Do you have a car? _____ Are you willing to drive youth? _____ How far? _____
(Proof of full coverage insurance and a DMV driving record will be required)

Volunteer Opportunities working directly with youth: The onboarding process for volunteers working directly with youth will include a background check, in-depth training, and ongoing support from program staff and the Volunteer Coordinator.

Please select any opportunities you're interested in discussing further with the Volunteer Coordinator.

- Mentoring: Community based hang outs one on one with youth ages 10-17 in Benton and Linn Counties. This is a one-year commitment of 4 hours per month minimum. Matches are based on interest and youth requests.
- Activity Leader: Creates opportunities for our youth to help them build confidence, connection to the community, and explore new hobbies and interests. Ideas include...
 - Hike Leader
 - Canoe Guide (water safety experience required)
 - Sports/Athletic Instructor (examples: Biking, Disk Golf, Pickleball, Skateboarding, etc.)
 - Cooking / Meal Prep (food handler's card required)
 - Leading Service Projects for youth
 - Interactive Educational Activities (ex: experiments, career spotlight, arts/crafts, etc.)
- Academic Coach: Helps students with questions during study hall time in shelters (90 minutes per week), or is matched for one-on-one tutor sessions in the community as part of Outreach (times vary). Past tutoring or education experience is preferred. Both kinds of Academic Coaching requires a school-year commitment.
- Street Outreach: Accompanies Street Outreach Team to schools and pop up locations throughout Linn and Benton Counties. This position helps make connections with youth currently experiencing homelessness. Requires 2-8 hours depending on the task and day, standing or walking outdoors.
- Support Staff at the Youth Service Center: Assist outreach team in organizing supplies, building kits and food boxes. Flexible hours and schedule.
- Yard Care and Maintenance: Seasonal exterior upkeep of our sites in Corvallis and Albany. Regularly scheduled upkeep of facilities including bikes, large appliances, small repairs, gutters, etc. Flexible hours and schedule.
 - Bike maintenance
 - Assembling furniture
 - I have a truck to help move things
- Life Skills Educator: Many youth in our programs attend a weekly life skills peer support group called PS 541. Volunteers lead topics related to finance, home care, personal well-being, ongoing education, etc.

"I volunteer to be of service to our community, and to try to make it a better place. Youth are our future, and Jackson Street Youth Services is a way to provide help to those who might otherwise not get it." – Past Jackson Street Volunteer

Other Volunteer Opportunities: We have an amazing team of Community Ambassadors who focus on advocacy and back-end support to make services and support to youth possible! Onboarding requirements vary depending on involvement.

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- Community Engagement: Ideas include...
 - Booth support
 - Hang posters
 - Help at community events like fundraisers
 - Donation acceptance during Open Hours

- Office Support: Support projects like data entry, filing/organizing, or printing/cutting/stuffing

- Social Media Ambassador: Help boost our posts with engagement and shares. We'll provide suggested prompts and hashtags monthly.

- Photographer for Marketing Materials: We are lucky to often have youth who want to share their stories. We've had a range of amateur to professional photographers who've volunteered to capture these youth for use in fundraising and marketing materials.

- Jackson Street Ambassador: As an Ambassador, you will hear the "inside scoop" on program growth and youth needs, be consulted to solve problems and provide feedback, and be offered unique opportunities. An outstanding Ambassador will attend events, invite others to join, and provide new connections to individuals or businesses who may also want to support Jackson Street's work. Some ways to engage include...
 - Build relationships with local Businesses
 - Host a house party
 - Join our Fundraising Committee
 - Financially support our organization at a level of your choosing

Please provide 2 references:

Name: _____

Relationship: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

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Thank you for your interest in volunteering!

This application should be submitted to our Volunteer Coordinator, Blair Girard

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