Volunteers are an essential part of the Joseph T. Simpson Public Library team, assisting with a number of important tasks every day.

Returning library materials to their proper location on the shelves is the primary task with which volunteers assist us. With circulation of well over half a million items annually, we couldn’t manage all of the shelving without our volunteers!

Benefits of Volunteering Include

- Meeting New People and Working as Part of a Team.
- Giving Back to the Community
- Gaining Satisfaction From Your Accomplishments
- Learning/Developing New Skills
- Increasing Both Physical and Mental Health
WHEN CAN YOU WORK?

Which days / hours are you available to volunteer? We ask that you commit to at least two hours of service per week for at least three consecutive months.

Check all that apply:

- Weekdays
- Saturday
- Sunday afternoon
- Morning
- Afternoon
- Evening

APPLICATION

Today’s Date: _____________________

Name: ______________________________

Address: ____________________________

Home Phone: ________________________

Email: ____________________________

Are you a student? Yes  No

If yes, what school do you attend?

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Current Employer and Occupation:

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In Case of Emergency, notify:

Name: ____________________________

Relationship: ______________________

Phone: ___________________________

Your Signature: ____________________

(If under 18, parent/guardian signature required.)

Parent/guardian signature: 

AREAS OF INTEREST

From the list below, indicate your areas of interest.

- Collection Care (Returns materials to their proper locations on the shelves. This is the library’s biggest need)

- Shelf Reading (Maintains shelf order by “reading” the shelves to ensure they are in correct order)

- Holds (Prepares requested items for pick-up)

- Bulletin Board Artist (Creates eye-catching bulletin boards to publicize the library’s programs and services)

- Book Guardian (Repairs damaged books and prepares new books)

- Landscape Gardener (Keeps the library’s grounds neat; waters and trims outdoor plants)

- On-Call for special projects

APPLICANTS MUST BE AT LEAST 13 YEARS OF AGE. If you are between 13 and 17 years old, a parent or guardian’s signature on this application is required.

Recent changes to Pennsylvania law make background checks mandatory for all volunteers 18 and older.