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

APPLICANT

Today’s Date: _____________________
Name: __________________________
Address: _________________________
__________________________________
Home Phone: ______________________
Email: ____________________________
Are you a student? Yes No
If yes, what school do you attend?
__________________________________
Current Employer and Occupation:
__________________________________
__________________________________
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.

Special skills or talents that you feel would be of use to the library:

The Joseph T. Simpson Public Library will consider your request and will call you within seven days.

Placements are made according to current library needs. If a vacancy is not currently available, your application will be kept on file for three months should a future vacancy occur.

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at the Joseph T. Simpson Public Library.