

Finding Appropriate Volunteer Opportunities

For your convenience, the Service-Learning Program maintains a listing of various organizations that have expressed interest in hosting volunteers from Rowan College at Burlington County. In addition to the directory, there are various resources online to help you find volunteer opportunities that align with your interests and major.

Here are some resources that can help you find a suitable placement.

Volunteer Center of Burlington County www.volunteercenterburlingtoncounty.org/ content/volunteer-center-directory	Idealist www.idealist.org
Volunteer Center of South Jersey connect.fundly.com/site/sjvolunteers#	All for Good www.allforgood.org
Volunteer Match www.volunteermatch.org	Jersey Cares www.jerseycares.org
Create the Good createthegood.org	Great Nonprofits greatnonprofits.org

Many of these resources permit you to search by zip code, area of interest, experience, or availability. When searching for an organization to volunteer with, consider these tips.

- 1) Search by location: Some organizations have multiple locations though might not need volunteers at all of them. Do not assume the organization posted is the location near you. Consider how far you are able to drive before setting your search parameters.
- 2) Search by interest: Be flexible with your search parameters when you select interests. You may come across relevant opportunities by selecting an interest area that is similar to the main focus you were originally looking for.
- 3) Double check any postings that interest you to ensure they are “volunteer” positions. Some organizations will also list these opportunities as “internships.” However, be aware that some of these websites list jobs in addition to volunteer opportunities. Your work **must be unpaid with a nonprofit organization** in order to count towards volunteer or service-learning hours through RCBC.
- 4) Check multiple websites: Each website above is unique. You may see some of the same postings listed across them, but it is very likely that you will also find different postings too. Some organizations limit their postings to certain platforms. If you look at only one website, you could miss out on a valuable opportunity.
- 5) Unsure of the legitimacy of a posting? Contact RCBC’s Service-Learning Coordinator for assistance.
- 6) Can’t find something that works for you? Don’t give up! Contact RCBC’s Service-Learning Coordinator for assistance.

For guidance with how to reach out about a volunteer opportunity, take a look at [Steps for Arranging an Appropriate Service-Learning Placement](#).