

Community Partner Options, MONT 115S

Brookdale Eddy Pond

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About: Brookdale Eddy Pond Campus is an assisted living and memory care senior living community. In addition to providing 24-hour emergency and medical care for its residents, Brookdale provides a variety of supports and activities, such as book groups, walking groups, music performances, game nights, etc.

CBL Opportunity: Brookdale is seeking Holy Cross volunteers to enrich the supports and activities that they provide, as well as to meet one on one with a resident for conversation and companionship. Student volunteers will meet in person one on one with a resident of Brookdale Eddy Pond or may have the option of leading larger discussion groups with Eddy Pond residents or joining in on the activities they provide.

Times: Students would volunteer approximately 2 hours per week. Times are flexible, based on students' schedules and Brookdale's needs and goals.

Pre-Service Requirements: CORI form, Volunteer application, 2 TB or PPD tests, Flu shot, orientation meeting.

Number of Volunteers Needed: 2-3

Training Resources of America

Contact: Cynthia Vlasaty, Educational Advisor, cvlasaty@tra-inc.org

About: Training Resources of America Incorporated (TRA) is a private, non-profit organization that has been providing quality education, employment and training services in Massachusetts since 1975. TRA has made it possible for thousands of educationally and economically disadvantaged youth and adults to improve the quality of their lives. In addition, hundreds of employers statewide have met their employment needs by hiring TRA-trained employees and utilizing TRA's customized workplace literacy services. TRA's training programs are customized to be current with employment trends and responsive to the specific occupational needs of each particular area of the commonwealth.

CBL Opportunity: Holy Cross students are welcome to volunteer with TRA's Adult Education offerings. TRA offers classes to adult learners who are trying to improve their reading, writing and math skills on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 4:30-7:30pm. Volunteers must serve 2 hours weekly at a minimum. TRA offers ESOL classes to adult learners who are trying to improve their reading, writing and math skills on Monday and Wednesday nights from 4:30pm to 7:30pm. Students could work with our adult learners in a one on one setting on their math, reading and writing skills. Students would volunteer in-person.

Times: Monday - Thursday, 4:30-7pm (volunteers will serve for one two-hour time block each week)

Pre-Service Requirements: Application, CORI form, and orientation meeting

Number of Volunteers Needed: 1-2 per evening (4-8 total)

You Inc. (Dynamy Youth Academy)

Contact: Lucia Alfaro, College Access Assistant Director, LAlfaro@sevenhills.org

About: Students have the opportunity to create positive change in the lives of YOU Inc. College Access scholars in the Bruce Wells Scholars Upward Bound (BWSP) and Dynamy Youth Academy (DYA) students, as well as in their own. College

CBL Opportunity: Dynamy invites Holy Cross students to serve as volunteers in their after school program (anytime between 3 and 6pm). In-person and virtual support is needed.

Times: Monday-Friday between 3 and 6pm (volunteers will serve for one two-hour time block each week)

Pre-Service Requirements: Students will need to complete a [volunteer application](#) and CORI form, as well as a resume and 3

<p>Access Programs are designed to assist first-generation college students and/or low-income high school students preparing for the post-secondary opportunities; the progress a student makes is dependent upon the support, attention, and help they receive from staff. To ensure progress, volunteers' primary responsibility will be to provide program assistance and encouragement to students assigned and to help build a sense of community in the program. Becoming a part of the College Access community involves time, endurance and patience as well as developing a good rapport with students. Having a sense of humor helps, too.</p>		<p>references, which they will receive instructions about after they meet with the Dynamy volunteer supervisor.</p> <p>Number of Volunteers Needed: 3-4</p>
<p><u>WPS Adult Learning Center</u></p> <p>Contact: Jen Brunelle, Adult Education Director, brunellejb@worcesterschools.net</p> <p>About: Worcester Public Schools Adult Learning Center serves adults 16 years old or older, who left school during the traditional schooling years and now have a desire to resume their education. Classes are offered on English proficiency, HiSET (formally the GED) preparation and basic literacy skills at essentially no cost. The Center also offers a Family Literacy course to encourage reading as a family, as that is an essential skill for children and parents to increase their English proficiency.</p>	<p>About: Worcester Adult Learning Center offers ESOL and High School Equivalency classes, with job and college prep assistance for students. Every Thursday, 12:00-2:00pm, we offer Open Computer Lab, a time in which students can drop in to work on online educational materials, job search and online applications, or any other computer-based work. We request a Holy Cross student intern to be available during those hours to welcome students, get them set up on computers, and be available to answer questions and provide assistance as needed. Additionally, as time and interest allows, the student intern can follow up with individual students, research and compile digital literacy materials, and/or develop and lead basic tech workshops.</p>	<p>Times: Thursdays 12-4pm</p> <p>Pre-Service Requirements: WPS CORI form and an orientation meeting.</p> <p>Number of Volunteers Needed: 1-2</p>
<p><u>Marie Anne Center</u></p> <p>Contact: Sr. Michele Jacques, michelejacques44@gmail.com</p> <p>About: Marie Anne Center (MAC), a ministry of the Sisters of Saint Anne, is located in the lower level of St. Bernard Church on Lincoln Street in Worcester,</p>	<p>CBL Opportunity: From 2:30 to 5:30 pm, students from the neighborhood receive individual tutoring by Marie Anne Center staff, high school and college students and other dedicated volunteers. Volunteers are needed once per week for a 2-3 hour time slot. Volunteers are</p>	<p>Times: Mondays or Thursdays from 2:30 to 5:30 pm (volunteers will serve for one two hour time block)</p> <p>Pre-Service Requirements: CORI Form and safe environment training (to be done on site)</p>

<p>MA. The Center addresses educational and spiritual needs of families and provides basic education and living skills for people who would otherwise not have access to them. Special attention is given to families living within its multi-ethnic neighborhood. Opened in April 2001, the Marie Anne Center offers a variety of activities, including after-school tutoring, a computer lab with Internet access, English as a Second Language classes, sewing classes, yoga classes, art and music classes, Teen Talk, and a police/clergy mentoring program. The work of the Center is carried out primarily by the Sisters of St. Anne and associates, as well as others from the region, under the direction of Sister Michèle Jacques, a Sister of Saint Anne. The Marie Anne Center hosts a variety of programs and classes for children/youth, teenagers, and adults in the Worcester area. In particular, the Center caters to the needs of families and individuals living in surrounding multi-ethnic neighborhoods.</p>	<p>invited to tutor, and/or teach/assist with art, music, and dance classes.</p>	<p>Number of Volunteers Needed: 2 to 3 per day (4-6 total)</p>
<p>Positive Directions: Drop Out Prevention Program (Family Health Center of Worcester)</p> <p>Contact: Jewel White, Jewel.White@fhcw.org</p> <p>About: Family Health Center of Worcester is a full-service health center open to all residents of Worcester and surrounding areas. Our mission is to improve the health and well-being of all residents in the Greater Worcester area, especially culturally diverse populations, by providing access to affordable, high quality, integrated, comprehensive, and respectful primary health care and social services, regardless of patients' ability to pay. Positive Directions is a drop-out prevention program that targets incoming 9th graders who are at high risk for high school dropout due to attendance, behavioral, academic and social issues. We intervene with twice a week tutoring and recreation at the YMCA, case management and community involvement.</p>	<p>CBL Opportunity: Meeting once a week, CBL volunteers provide homework help and mentorship to the Positive Directions youth. Volunteers must be comfortable initiating a tutoring mentorship with teenage students. An outgoing personality will be useful in this role.</p>	<p>Times: Mondays and Wednesdays from 1:30-3:15pm</p> <p>Pre-Service Requirements: CORI Form & orientation meeting</p> <p>Number of volunteers needed: 3-5</p>

Summit Agency

Contact: Nikki Koppel, Director of Residence Life, Summit Campus, nkoppel@summitagencyma.com

About: Summit Agency is a multi-faceted organization that provides education, support, and resources to children and young adults with autism and related diagnoses. One facet, Summit Campus, is a Living Learning Residential Community providing a dormitory experience for college students with autism along with related diagnoses. The program is designed to empower students with the transition skills necessary to live a productive, rewarding and successful life. At Summit Campus, PEERS programming is provided on a weekly basis to individuals living there. PEERS curriculum is designed to assist young adults with autism to develop and practice social skills in order to foster independence in social relationships.

CBL Opportunity: Holy Cross volunteers would serve as social coaches, working one-on-one with students at the Summit Campus to practice the social skills taught through the PEERS curriculum. Social coaches serve to support young adults in the program toward reaching their social relationship goals.

Times: Thursday evenings (most likely around the 6-8pm timeframe)

Pre-Service Requirements: Orientation meeting

Number of volunteers needed: 4