

# OF SERVICE

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The Center for Service Learning

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The Center for Service Learning is your resource for connecting with community service opportunities. Every other week we compile and distribute *Of Service* for the Rockhurst community to discover opportunities for service. When calling to inquire about projects off campus, be sure to mention that you're from Rockhurst University. Also, don't forget to complete and submit your service transcript forms after completing projects. Thanks!

## COMMUNITY SERVICE, ON-GOING OPPORTUNITIES:

- **MyARTS**, an art entrepreneurial program for youth ages 15-19, run by COMBAT and PEI, combines an apprenticeship and studio in an area of their choice: photography, graphic design, ceramics, silk screening or visual arts with arts entrepreneurial training. MyARTS is finding that the youth in their program could benefit from tutoring in subject areas of English, language arts, math and science to help the youth keep up their grades. They need volunteers to tutor one or two hours a week during the following hours: **Monday - Thursday, 3:30 - 6:30 p.m.** Please contact Deana Bellamaganya if you are interested: 816.985.0119 or [belldea@jacksongov.org](mailto:belldea@jacksongov.org)
- **Special Olympics** will have lots of service opportunities in April. They are in need of scorekeepers, timers, awards presenters, and officials in variety of sports events. The sports events include: soccer, track and field, aquatics, bocce, and horseshoes. More information will follow concerning the individual events. Please contact Jeremie Ballinger at 913.789.0332 or [ballinger@somo.org](mailto:ballinger@somo.org)
- Volunteer and internship opportunities are available at the Jackson County Prosecutor's Office. These positions will get hands-on experience with the **Victim Services Program**. Applications are being accepted for summer and fall 2007. **Please contact Wanda Tope at 816.881.3975 or email [wtope@jacksongov.org](mailto:wtope@jacksongov.org)**
- **Hickman Mills High School** is looking for tutors to assist with ACT/SAT prep in the areas of Math and Science. Tutoring will take place Tuesdays and Thursdays from 2:20 - 3:50. **Please contact Stephanie at the Urban League, 816.471.0550, or email [receptionist@ulkc.org](mailto:receptionist@ulkc.org)**

## WALKS-for-a-CAUSE:

- The Kansas City *EarthWalk* will take place **Saturday, April 21, 2007 at Shawnee Mission Park**. The walk will take place at **9:00 a.m.** and benefits Bridging the Gap, which is a "nonprofit organization that works to make the Kansas City region more sustainable by connecting environment, economy, and communities." **Please visit [www.bridgingthegap.org](http://www.bridgingthegap.org) for more information.**
- *4<sup>th</sup> Annual UMKC Relay for Life* will be **April 20 -21**, which benefits the American Cancer Society. **For more information please contact Sierra Grady at [gradys@rockhurst.edu](mailto:gradys@rockhurst.edu).**

- **On April 28**, the 19<sup>th</sup> Annual AIDS Walk Kansas City will take place. Registration starts at 8:00 a.m. and the walk will start at 9:00 a.m. **If you are interested visit their website at <http://aidswalkkansascity.org>.**

#### OFF-CAMPUS, ONE-TIME PROJECTS:

- KC Clean Streams 2007 is looking for people to pick up trash that are littering streams and green spaces in the metro. On **April 20, 2007** volunteers are needed to help! **Please contact Ginny Moore at 816.309.0762 or email [gmoore@brwa.net](mailto:gmoore@brwa.net).**
- **Tulips on Troost Spring Celebration** is set for **Saturday, April 21, 2007**. There will be over 70, 000 new tulips blooming along Troost between 23<sup>rd</sup> and 78<sup>th</sup> Streets. **Volunteers will be needed** for this first annual community event. **Please contact Alicia Douglas at 816.501.4306 or [Alicia.douglas@rockhurst.edu](mailto:Alicia.douglas@rockhurst.edu) for more information.**
- **99 Drum Music Camp** is presented by [Accessible Arts](http://AccessibleArts.org) needs your help to volunteer for half-day shifts **Saturday, April 21, 2007 from 7:30 a.m. through Sunday April 22, 2007, 5:30 p.m.** to accompany children to workshops, supervise overnight and/or assist with meals. The camp is held at the Kansas State School for the Blind, 1100 State Ave in Kansas City, KS. There is a mandatory training session for all volunteers **Saturday, April 14 at 1:00 p.m. or 3:00 p.m.** Accessible Arts, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization dedicated to providing equal access to the arts for children and youth with physical, emotional and psychological disabilities. 99 Drums Music Camp is a great opportunity to experience the rich history, customs and foods of African, Caribbean, American Indian and early Americana cultures through music and dance. To volunteer, please contact Andi Meyer, 913.281.1133 or [arts@accessiblearts.org](mailto:arts@accessiblearts.org)
- **The Children's Center for Visually Impaired (CCVI)** is hosting their annual Trolley Run. Packet stuffers, course monitors, starting line attendees, and after-bash party volunteers are the roles CCVI is looking for. Various times between April 23-28 people can assist in the pre-race duties and the day of the race, April 29, people can work from 6:00 – 11:00am. Visit [www.sportkc.com/events/TrolleyRun.htm](http://www.sportkc.com/events/TrolleyRun.htm) to sign-up.
- **KCPT** is having their Spring Auction **April 27<sup>th</sup> –May 5<sup>th</sup>**. They are in need of variety of volunteers. **Please contact Mandy Knight at 816.756.3580 or at [mandy\\_knight@kcpt.org](mailto:mandy_knight@kcpt.org) for more information.**
- **KCI Relays** will be held at Center High School May 5 from 8:45pm – 2:00pm. Volunteers are needed serve as a judge, official, recorder, and many other responsibilities. **If you are interested call Tiffani Kintchen at 816.508.3533 or email [tiffani.kintchen@gillis.org](mailto:tiffani.kintchen@gillis.org)**

#### SERVICE AWARDS:

- Rockhurst University is officially certifying the **President's Service Award**. This award recognizes those volunteers who have achieved a certain amount of service hours. The award levels include: **bronze** (100 -174 hours), **silver** (175 – 249 hours), and **gold** (250 or more hours). Please download a nomination form at [www.rockhurst.edu/services/service/five.asp](http://www.rockhurst.edu/services/service/five.asp). **Nomination forms are due by Thursday, April 12.** If you have any questions you can contact Alexis Petri at 816.501.4545 or [alexis.petri@rockhurst.edu](mailto:alexis.petri@rockhurst.edu).

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