Semester of Service was created to provide semester-long community service opportunities for volunteers looking to gain meaningful and consistent experience for an extended period of time. This semester, the SoS interns on the Give Where You Live committee recruit committed volunteers to take part in the program. Interested volunteers must apply through an application process.

Since the SoS program was created to provide consistent, ongoing service, it does require commitment from the volunteers who participate. Volunteers in GWYL’s Semester of Service are expected to:

- Exhibit a commitment to Rutgers University and the Give Where You Live Committee’s Semester of Service program.
- Attend Semester of Service (SoS) Orientation given by SoS interns.
- Log all volunteer hours via Collegiate Link.
- Inform SoS interns if my availability changes or I cannot make the dates I have committed to.
- Complete Semester of Service (SoS) pre-assessment survey and post-assessment survey provided by SoS interns.
- Volunteer at the service site every week for the duration of the semester.
The Douglass Disability Developmental Center (DDDC) is an organization that serves the needs of those with autism spectrum disorders, their families, and their schools. They also provide information about the treatment and education of people with autism spectrum disorders to the entire professional community and to the general public. Volunteers will be participating in community activities with a target student (with supervision & assistance from a classroom instructor). The volunteer’s role is to be a peer / buddy for the target student for the community outing. Transportation is covered as well as other related costs except food or beverage.

Tuesdays: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Wednesdays: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Thursdays: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM
Fridays: 12:30 PM - 2:30 PM

**SoS starts on the week of 2/12 and ends on the week of 4/23**

Contact Info: Todd Frischmann toddf@dddc.rutgers.edu
Emanuel Lutheran Food Pantry
2 Kirkpatrick Street, New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Emanuel Lutheran Church provides a food pantry that is stocked with donations from members of the congregation. It serves as an emergency resource for people in the New Brunswick community who find themselves without food and without recourse to food. They are now offering opportunities for Rutgers students to help unload and stock their food deliveries. On Wednesdays, the church is looking for a bilingual student (Spanish & English) to volunteer specifically.

Tuesdays: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM
Wednesdays: 9:45 AM -12:00 PM
Fridays: 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM

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Contact Info: Vanessa Dunzik emanuelnb.org@gmail.com
Second Reformed Thrift Shop
14 Stone St. New Brunswick, NJ

The Second Reformed Thrift Shop is a nonprofit organization sponsored by The Second Reformed Church of New Brunswick. We accept and sell gently used clothing and houseware items. The profits from our sales go to the The Five Loaves Food Pantry which is located at the Church. The food pantry is an important source for Middlesex County residents to receive assistance. The thrift shop also provides to those in need such as the Neighborhood Corps Re-entry Service and local families. We welcome all to participate in giving back to our community. Volunteers will help restock or remove old items off shelves, price items, finalize transactions, market the store, organize and straighten up the stockroom, and help start a Craigslist account.

- Casual attire and sneakers

Tuesday: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Wednesday: 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM
Thursday: 11:00 AM - 3:00 PM
Friday: 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM

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Contact Info: Ellen Van Glahn mtvg11@gmail.com
Use your computer skills to help those who did not grow up in the computer generation! Volunteers will teach basic computer skills to an adult patron. It will be one-on-one tutoring sessions, and the student does not have to prepare anything but their knowledge to use a computer and patience. The volunteer will have the opportunity to work on other library tasks if no patrons come in for tutoring on that day.

Mondays: 7:00-8:30 PM
Tuesdays: 10:30-12:00 PM & 7:00-8:30 PM
Wednesdays: 10:30-12:00 PM & 7:00-8:30 PM
Thursdays: 10:30-12:00 PM & 7:00-8:30 PM

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Contact Info: Hsien-min Chen htang@lmxac.org
Youth Empowerment Services is a non-profit, volunteer oriented organization, providing educational assistance, prevention and intervention programs for at-risk youth to assist them in reaching their highest potential. Volunteers will assist in tutoring students in 1st-8th grade.

- It is important that you show up to this site with consistency since you will be working with children. If you do not show up, the children will not get the assistance they will need.
- No pictures

**This site requires students to pay a $7 fee for Youth Empowerment Services to perform a background check.**

Mondays: 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Tuesdays: 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Wednesdays: 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Thursdays: 3:30PM-5:30PM  
Fridays: 3:30PM-5:30PM  

***SoS starts on the week of 2/12 and ends on the week of 4/23***

Contact Info: Ruth Loeffler rloeffler@youthempowerment.us
Youth Empowerment Services X-Cite Nite
15 John Street New Brunswick, NJ 08901 (Riverside Community Center)

Youth Empowerment Services is a non-profit, volunteer oriented organization, providing educational assistance, prevention and intervention programs for at-risk youth to assist them in reaching their highest potential. Volunteers will participate in activities and games, model good sportsmanship and attitude, encourage kids to participate, help serve food/snacks, and assist with set-ups and explaining rules.

**This site requires students to pay a $7 fee for Youth Empowerment Services to perform a background check.**

Mondays: 6:00 PM-8:30 PM
Wednesdays: 6:00 PM-8:30 PM

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Contact Info: Wilson Du  wdu@youthempowerment.us
Salvation Army Tutoring  
287 Handy St. New Brunswick, NJ 08901

Salvation Army is a State-licensed After School Program for children aged 6-13 years old. Volunteers help children with their homework, feed a nutritious meal, and coordinate a range of enrichment activities. The children come predominantly from at-risk neighborhoods and English is the second language of most - their first language being Spanish. Helping them complete homework assignments is vital to their ability to keep up at school. Volunteers will be doing other literacy activities such as reading a story to the kids, buddy reading, playing word games, etc.

**Please call or email to get in contact for background check before your first day.**

Monday-Friday: 3:00-6:00PM  
Tuesday and Thursday: 3:30-5:30PM  
**SoS starts on the week of 2/12 and ends on the week of 4/23**

Contact Info: Fei Huang  
[Email](mailto:Yunfei.Huang@use.salvationarmy.org) (732)-545-1477
Second Reformed Church is an organization that serves the local community facing issues such as hunger and homelessness. They serve over 1000 people monthly and now offer volunteer opportunities for Rutgers students to work in their food pantry, Five Loaves Food Pantry. Five Loaves Food Pantry is set up on a shopping model so that people can select food rather than receive a prepackaged set, volunteers will aid in packaging the food chosen by the clients as well as other tasks. Volunteers are encouraged to bring homework during downtime. The food pantry would preferably take bilingual volunteers (Spanish, Korean or Czech) but anyone is welcome!

Mondays: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tuesdays: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Wednesday: 10:00AM - 2:00PM
Thursday: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Friday: 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Monday: 5:00 - 8:00 PM
Wednesday: 5:00 - 8:00 PM

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Contact Info: Catherine Verduci verduci42@yahoo.com