

# MULTNOMAH COUNTY LIBRARY

## Volunteer Position Description

**JOB TITLE:** Teen Council Member

**LOCATION:** At neighborhood libraries

**SUPERVISOR(S):** depends on each location

### **DESCRIPTION:**

Middle and high school students meet to get involved at neighborhood libraries. Teen councils meet twice monthly and work with library staff to help improve services for teens. This is an opportunity to help the library organize and facilitate teen meetings, plan teen activities, develop library displays and help with library events. Meeting other Teen Council members is an added bonus.

- A fun, simple way to earn volunteer hours
- A chance to eat free (yummy) snacks
- A venue for meeting new people outside of school
- A way to be a part of your library.
- An opportunity to collaborate on or lead group projects
- A place to plan a community event or advocate for a cause
- A safe place to be yourself

**TIME COMMITMENT:** varies by location

**AGE REQUIREMENT:** 12-18 years old

**MEETING DATES/TIMES:** varies at each library

### **TASKS & RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Respect and support other council members
- Participate in meetings and in teen council brainstorming and activities
- Learn how to contribute ideas and get things done
- Chance to organize and facilitate council meetings
- Identify ways that adults can help

### **SKILLS & QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Ability to work with other teens

- Dependability

**TRAINING & OTHER REQUIREMENTS:**

- Training and orientation provided at some locations
- A volunteer application must be completed in order to earn service hours

**BENEFITS:**

- Build skills in event planning and evaluation
- Find a community of people who care about the same issues you do
- Connect with people in your neighborhood
- Get service hours for school, scholarships, or to earn a computer from Free Geek
- Opportunities to collaborate on or lead group projects.
- Opportunities to plan a community event or advocate for a cause.
- A safe place to be yourself.