

# Department of Juvenile Services Volunteering Guide

The Department of Juvenile Services (DJS) is an executive agency whose primary task is to appropriately manage, supervise, and treat youth who are involved in the juvenile justice system in Maryland. The Department of Juvenile Services engages in nearly every stage of the juvenile justice process. To learn more about DJS visit our website <http://djs.maryland.gov>.

## Volunteering with the Department of Juvenile Services

The Department of Juvenile Services is committed to improving the lives of youth in the state of Maryland, reducing recidivism and improving public safety in the community. DJS counts on volunteers, community/civic organizations, and corporate groups to contribute to the success of our youth.

## Partnership Opportunities

The Department of Juvenile Services seeks volunteers from organizations and individuals to provide youth with enriching experiences that will make a positive impact in their lives.

Here are some examples for services we are looking for groups or individuals to provide:

- Religious education
- Meditation or yoga
- Career development
- Tutors (STEM, reading, writing)
- Book club
- Chess clubs
- Life skills
- Art programs
- Dance & theater workshops



## Qualifications

- Volunteers must be at least 18 years old
- Must agree to submit to a records background check
- Sufficient background & maturity to handle confidential information
- Excellent sense of humor & inviting personality
- Ability to work with people from diverse cultures and backgrounds

## Application Process

