

## HOW DO I GO ABOUT GETTING STARTED?

Check out the school's bulletin boards and listen to the daily bulletin for opportunities, or listen for service opportunities at groups you belong to like the scouts, church, or neighborhood organizations

See the Community Service Coordinator at your school for the contracts and prior approval. For credit, you must have preapproval.

After it has been approved by both the Community Service Coordinator and your parents, take the approval form with you on the day you perform your community service, and have it signed by an authorized agent of the organization.

Return the form to the Community Service Coordinator at your school within one week of the time you performed your service.

Keep track of your hours and check with your counselor when you review your credits to make sure that you're making adequate progress.

## COMMUNITY SERVICE COORDINATORS

**Alisal High School**  
777 Williams Road  
796-7600

**Everett Alvarez High School**  
1900 Independence Blvd.  
796-7800

**Mount Toro High School**  
10 Sherwood Place  
796-7700

**North Salinas High School**  
55 Kip Drive  
796-7500

**Salinas Adult High School**  
20 Sherwood Place  
796-6900

**Salinas High School**  
726 South Main Street  
796-7400



## COMMUNITY SERVICE REQUIREMENT

*A guide for parents and students wishing to participate*

## WHAT ARE

## THE REQUIREMENTS?

**60 hours** by the time you graduate; you may not be paid or given class or court credit

The activity must be **pre-approved** by the school's Community Service Coordinator

You must decide whether you will do community service or a senior project

You must earn at least ten hours in **at least two** of the following categories:

- School Related
- Homelessness
- The Environment
- Senior Citizens
- Young Children
- Arts and Culture
- Disabled Citizens
- Health
- Literacy
- Ethnic Issues
- Political
- Career Related Activities
- Other areas that may be created that meet the district's criteria

**Not more than 20 hours of credit** may be earned in school related service at your school

**Only 10 hours** may be earned for career-related activities

## Here are some samples

- Service to nonprofit organizations (e.g., United Way, American Lung Association, American Heart Association, March of Dimes, etc.)
- Work as a volunteer for community service organizations (e.g., YMCA, Boys and Girls Clubs, Bread Box, Sunrise House, Second Chance Youth Program, Women's Crisis Center, Salvation Army, etc.)
- Volunteer work through Scouts, 4-H, FFA, church activities, synagogues, etc.
- Service learning through school classes (not required) outside the school day
- School related events (e.g., service on campus on the student's own time-before/after school, at lunch, tutoring, etc.)
- Involvement with public agency activities (e.g., non-paid involvement with Park and Recreation, city clean up, etc.)
- Career-related involvement (e.g., jobshadowing, interview, visitations, etc.)
- Service performed through recognized school service clubs, (e.g., Key Club, Interact Club, AFS, ADAPT, etc.)
- Emergency disaster involvement (e.g., American Red Cross, FEMA, etc.)
- Volunteer involvement (non-paid) coaching, officiating, etc. with youth athletic activities (e.g., Little League, Bobby Sox, American Youth Soccer, etc.)
- Participation in organized volunteer efforts, (e.g., area volunteer centers, etc.)
- Social service to the homeless, crisis centers, etc. (e.g., Dorothy's Kitchen, Victory Mission, I-HELP, Food Bank, etc.)
- Volunteer service to the elderly (e.g., convalescent homes, seniors centers, Meals on Wheels, County Library, etc.)
- Come up with your own creative ideas. Just make sure they are approved ahead of time.