Who we want

YOU!

Volunteers ages 14 and older qualify for our program.
What we do
29 convenient locations

- Preston Royal Branch
- Arcadia Park Branch
- Hampton Illinois Branch
- Timberglen Branch
- Bachman Lake Branch
- Audelia Road Branch
- J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
- Mountain Creek Branch
- Bookmarks - Dallas Public Library
How you fit in the puzzle
Event and Display Collaborator

Popular events include
- Mayors Summer Reading Club
- Big D Reads
- Children’s Programs
- Book Clubs
- Knitting/Crochet

Popular displays include
- Showing off personal talents/collections
- Promoting library materials
- Holidays
Study Buddy

Help support our community partners by implementing programs that help our children succeed.

Examples include:
• Reading with children
• Homework Help
Technology Teacher

Computer Class Teacher

Presents curriculum in a class type setting. Answers questions from patrons as they arise.

Technology Demonstrator

Gives presentations on resources such as library databases and resources and new web resources in a class type setting. Answers questions from patrons as they arise.

One on One Technology Teacher

Help patrons reserve computer sessions as well as provide one on one assistance setting up email accounts, formatting resumes, filling out job applications and other online or application needs.
Unique Sets/Experiences

Popular examples include

• Teaching a class
• Sharing a special skill
• Entertaining kids through costume
• Graphic Design
• Photography
• Displaying art
Shelver

Help accurately return materials to their assigned place.

Help detect errors and fix them.

Help tidy shelves to make them more appealing to customers.
Gift evaluator

Assess gifted materials.

Sort them to the appropriate place.

Manage shelves associated with materials that are available to the public for donation.
Inventory Investigator

Find specific items such as
• Requests
• Books for displays
• Damaged materials
• Missing materials
• Materials that need to be transferred
Language Exchange

Create a safe environment where people from all cultures can

- Be encouraged to participate
- Learn about American Life
- Get introduced to new vocabulary
- Practice pronunciation
- Meet new friends
Children’s Program Assistant

Encourage early literacy initiatives with children 4-12 years of age.

- Storytimes
- Educational Games
- Crafts
- Play

Attend a literacy orientation to learn more and sign up!

12 week classes (Fall: September-November) Spring (February-May)
Saturdays 9:30 am-1:00 pm
Bachman Lake Branch, Dallas West Branch, Pleasant Grove Branch, Timberglen Branch, White Rock Hills Branch

6 week classes (Summer: June-July)
Saturdays 9:30 am-1:00 pm or 2:00 pm-5:00 pm
Bachman Lake Branch and Dallas West Branch
ESL Volunteer

Teach English as a Second Language to adults!

Attend a literacy orientation to learn more and sign up!

12 week classes (Fall: September-November) Spring (February-May)
Saturdays 9:30 am-1:00 pm or 2:00 pm-5:00 pm
Bachman Lake Branch, Dallas West Branch, Pleasant Grove Branch, Timberglen Branch, White Rock Hills Branch

6 week classes (Summer: June-July)
Saturdays 9:30 am-1:00 pm or 2:00 pm-5:00 pm
Bachman Lake Branch and Dallas West Branch
GED Volunteer

Provide guided instruction to adults working toward their GED.

Teach Reading, Language Arts, Science and History, or Math

Attend a literacy orientation to learn more and sign up!

10 week classes (Fall: September-November) Spring (February-May)
Weekday evenings (Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday) 6:00 pm- 8:00 pm
J. Erik Jonsson Central Library, Forest Green Branch, Grauwyler Park Branch, Lochwood Branch, North Oak Cliff Branch, Skyline Branch, Highland Hills Branch

Weekday afternoons (Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday) 1:00 pm- 3:00 pm
J. Erik Jonsson Central Library
Group Activities

Join us for our special events!
What we expect

Volunteers should represent the Dallas Public Library and City of Dallas in a professional, positive way.

How do we do this?
Dress Appropriately

Good Choices

Poor Choices
Come when you say you will

Or call when you need to cancel
Don’t get distracted

Use these items on breaks.
Have a good attitude and show respect to staff and library patrons.

You are here voluntarily and we appreciate your time. You are allowed to end your volunteer assignment when you choose to do so. Library staff reserves the right to dismiss volunteers for misconduct.
Court Ordered

Those who have been assigned community service by the court or DISD truancy program must schedule an orientation with the Volunteer Now.

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Dallas, TX 75204
214-821-8711 ext 410

Call your preferred location to check for available assignments. DISD Truancy students will participate in the “Teen Tracks” service learning project.

Volunteer Now time cards must be presented to staff at time of application.
I like what I see! Now what?

Fill out the online volunteer application.
Be sure to let us know about your preferred assignments.

We will invite you to interview. If selected, we will run a background check using information from your application/waiver. This takes up to a week.

Staff from your preferred location will contact you when you’ve been approved. Then the fun begins!

Invite your friends and family to join the fun! Consider posting about your positive experiences on social media!

Questions?
volunteer@dallaslibrary2.org
214-671-9206
Thank you!