

PALS – Police Activity League Supporters Volunteer Opportunities

PALS is a youth program that helps youth develop good character and strong, positive attitudes toward police officers and the law through recreational and educational settings under the supervision and constructive influence of dedicated law enforcement professionals. The goal is to bridge the gap between youth and their respect for the law and the officers who enforce it.

In order to volunteer you must

- fill out an application, be fingerprinted, have a background check
- be interviewed
- attend a volunteer orientation
- love working with kids and other volunteers.

Tutoring Assistant

- Help students, ages 7-17, with homework after school
- Help students study for tests
- Assist students to develop a love of learning & improve academic performance

Playground Monitor

- Supervise students during outside playtime.

Arts & Crafts Teacher/Assistant

- Assist during arts & crafts time
- Help plan and teach a lesson or assist officer who is teaching
- Lessons may include painting, drawing, crafts, cartooning, coloring, quilting, scrapbooking, and sculpting

Coach

- Coordinate or lead the physical education programs at the center
- This may include Tae Kwon Do, soccer, basketball, fitness training, and drill team

Computer Monitor

- Assist students on the computer.

This may include the following skills:

- Learn basic computer applications
- Conduct research
- Practice typing
- Play computer games
- Increase overall computer abilities

Fine Arts Teacher/Assistant

- Coordinate or lead the fine arts programs at the center
- This may include arts such as dance, drama, song writing, music appreciation, music lessons, and concerts.

Literacy Coach

- Help students develop in reading
- Read to students
- Listen to students read out loud

(This may be done one on one or in a small group.)

Event Assistant

Help with PALS events.

- Assist with invitation mailings
- Event set up & clean up
- Event planning
- Decorating
- Serving

Office Assistant

Engage in general office work.

- Data entry
- Answering phones
- Mailings
- Covering the front desk

Faculty Assistant

Help with projects around the center

- Light maintenance
- Gardening projects
- Janitorial services
- Small repairs

*If you are interested in volunteering contact Greig Smith, LAPD
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