



VA BUTLER HEALTHCARE 2016 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM

For youth, volunteering is a life learning opportunity that instills a sense of civic responsibility that hopefully will remain as youth grow into adulthood. At VA Butler, youth volunteers enjoy a unique life learning experience of helping Americas’ heroes – Veterans – by engaging them in fun, therapeutic activities and conversations about their life and military experiences. The intergenerational interaction between the youth and the Veteran generates understanding, respect, and appreciation – and for the Veteran, memories and feelings of their youth.

By volunteering at VA Butler Healthcare you are

- Serving the needs of those who served and are serving our great nation
- Building strong and lasting relationships, making new friends
- Doing purposeful work that creates a sense of value
- Experiencing living history through one-to-one interaction with Veterans
- Improving your health by being physically and mentally active

Adult and youth volunteers at VA Butler Healthcare enjoy many benefits, none greater than the opportunity to give back to the Veteran and care for them when they need us the most.

VA Butler’s Summer Youth Program is also designed to provide youth the opportunity to develop and enhance necessary life and work skills such as commitment, responsibility, teamwork and leadership. Volunteering is a worthwhile endeavor and looks good on a job resume and/or college application.

2016 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

The Summer Youth Program will run from June 13 through September 9, 2016. Youth will be completing the assignment “**Supportive Services**” which entails the following activities:

8am – 9:45am	Escort patients from buses to ADHC
10am -12pm	Assist with Open Recreation activities in CLC and lunch-time needs
12 – 12:30	Lunch
12:30pm – 2pm	Assist with ADHC activities & escort to buses, clean-up ADHC
2pm – 4pm	Support Services Office, room 202-C

*ADHC – Adult Day Healthcare
 *CLC – Community Living Center

The assignment can be completed in whole, 8-4, or in half days of 8-12 or 12-4.

Only 20 youth will be accepted into the program with no more than 4 youth on any given day (with the exception of days for special events). Requirements to participate are as follows:

- Youth must be 14 to 17 years of age.
- Must have parental consent.
- Agrees to provide 50 hours of service and to volunteer at least once a week. (**Note: Family vacations and other obligations must be reviewed prior to the orientation session.**)
- Complete the **2016 Summer Youth Volunteer Program Packet** - packets can be mailed, emailed or downloaded from VA Butler's website at www.butler.va.gov, in the "volunteer or donate" section.
- Attend the orientation session.
 - Youth must present/have a photo ID on the day of orientation. If no photo ID is available, parents will need to present themselves to the Voluntary Services Coordinator with proof of ID along with their child's birth certificate.

ORIENTATION AND SCHEDULING SESSION

The Summer Youth Program orientation and scheduling session will be held on Saturday, April 30, 2016, from 9am—12pm. All youth will report to the Main Lobby of Building 1. **There will be no other trainings offered for the Summer Youth Program.**

On the day of orientation, youth should come prepared to confirm their days of service for the Summer Youth Program. Dates for the Summer Youth Program are June 12 – September 9.

Deadline to submit completed packets and register for orientation is Wednesday, April 20, 2016.

For more information, persons are to contact Paula McCarl, Voluntary Services Coordinator, at 724-285-2575 or e-mail at Paula.McCarl@va.gov.



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COVER SHEET

(PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY)

Date Submitted: _____ Shirt Size (adult sizes): _____

Name: _____

School: _____

School Principal: _____

School Address: _____

Application Packet Checklist:

- _____ Cover Sheet – completed and signed
- _____ Volunteer Application with Attachment A
- _____ Completed Scheduling Calendar (days and time noted)
- _____ Consent for photo release

Orientation and Scheduling Session: April 30, 2016 9am – 12pm, report to Main Lobby of Building 1.

Youth Consent:

By my signature below, I consent to participating in VA Butler Healthcare's Summer Youth Program and I agree to provide at least 50 hours of service during the specified timeframe for the program. I understand that there will be only **one** training for the Summer Youth Program. Should I fail to make that training, I will not be eligible to participate in the Summer Youth Program.

Signature of Youth

Date

Please submit your completed application packet by May 30, 2014, to: Paula McCarl, Voluntary Services Coordinator, VA Butler Healthcare, 325 New Castle Road, Butler, PA 16001 or in person, building 1, room 207-C. For more information, contact Paula McCarl at: 724-285-2575 or email: Paula.McCarl@va.gov.

Name: _____ Date Submitted: _____

2016 SUMMER YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULING CALENDAR

JUNE 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

JULY 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 – off holiday	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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AUGUST 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

SEPTEMBER 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 – Labor Day Closed	6	7	8	9	10