

Lutz Children's Museum

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Teen volunteers are very important to the Lutz Children's Museum. You may need community service hours for a class, experience for college applications, or just want to contribute to your community.

You always have a choice of projects, but many teens like to be involved with our live animal program or after-school classes.

- **Animals** – The Lutz Children's Museum is a licensed wildlife rehabilitation center. Many animals arrive at our doors each year and are nursed back to health before being released into the wild. We never keep an animal that belongs outdoors in a cage, but some are injured so severely that they can no longer care for themselves. These animals can live out their natural lives at the museum. They need food, cleaning, exercise and lots of attention. If you have an interest in animals, science or nature this may be the right volunteer experience for you.
- **Classroom Aides** – Museum Curators teach hundreds of classes each year. Some take place at the museum; others are at area schools or the Oak Grove Nature Center. Teen volunteers are always needed to assist the curator in preparing and delivering classes. You will be actively involved in the class and working one-on-one with young children. This would be a great experience for anyone who loves kids especially if you are preparing for a career in education.

Museum Curators make great mentors. They are always willing to spend a little extra time teaching you a new skill and often write recommendations for exceptional volunteers. This on-the-job experience will make you stand out from the crowd and more appealing to a prospective employer or college admissions officer. We often have a former volunteer visit after graduating. They always say their experience at the Lutz Children's Museum was a big part of their success!