

# OHS PROGRAM DESCRIPTIONS AND AGE REQUIREMENTS Current OHS Programs with Projects for Youth/Children & Families

### WILDLIFE REHABILITATION CENTER (WRC) and WILDLIFE REHABILITATION GARDENS (WRC-G) see our website for a description of the program <a href="https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/wildlife-rehabilitation/">https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/wildlife-rehabilitation/</a>

### **CENTER**

**Note:** The public in general and **youth under 18 years are not allowed to serve or visit inside the center** for the safety of all and to avoid overstressing the animals that must recover and return to the wild. Since these animals are under medical treatment, no one besides staff are allowed inside the center, except one day in October during the guided Open House event.

**Age Requirements:** 18+ years)

Parent Supervision Required?: Not applicable

Service Hours Available? Yes, coordinated/signed by program manager

**Youth/Child Jobs** Fundraising, Special projects for building maintenance or additions **Special circumstances/Youth/Scout Groups**: The center occasionally has special scout projects for ages 10-18 years available with a parent onsite at all times during the project. The center staff also are open to proposals from youth and parents to assist them with fundraising and wish list drives for needed supplies. No youth/scout group projects are available inside the center; however,

### **GARDENS**

**Gardens**: These gardens are located next to the center, provide food for the wildlife and supplement the center's wild animals undergoing rehabilitation from being orphaned or injured. Individuals, corporations, and youth groups can arrange a workday visit to the gardens at the Wildlife Rehabilitation Center to help maintain the area with weeding, planting and performing assignments for whatever is needed around the center grounds. **Age Requirements:** any age child or youth group with direct parent supervision by prior arrangement with program manager at the center or gardens; special boy or girl scout projects ages 10-18 years with parent supervision

**Parent Supervision Required**?:Yes

Service Hours Available? Yes, coordinated/signed by program manager

**Youth/Child Jobs**: Help maintain the area with weeding, planting and performing assignments for whatever is needed around the center grounds. Special scout or group projects and workdays by arrangement.

**FOSTER KITTEN CARE** see our website for a description of the program <a href="https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/fostering-and-adoption/">https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/fostering-and-adoption/</a>

**Age Requirements:** ages 10-17 with direct parent supervision by prior arrangement with the program manager. The supervising parent must be a certified foster with OHS and assigned OHS foster kittens.

**Parent Supervision Required**?:Yes, and parent must be a certified and trained foster with OHS foster kittens to earn service hours

**Service Hours Available**? Yes, coordinated/signed by program manager **Youth/Child Jobs**: Kitten food or supply drive, event pet store set up/take down, wish list drive; fundraising.

**Foster Kitten Car**e: If your parent is a certified OHS foster parent and assigned foster kittens by the program manager, the foster manager may interview and virtually or in person observe the student 10 years and over with the parent to see how they interact with the kittens. Foster parent is expected and responsible for the care of the kitten(s), but the student may be eligible for service hours IF assigned and completes regular daily care tasks with the kittens with manager's approval and parent signs off on daily log to be submitted to <a href="mailto:humane\_education@ohlonehumanesociety.org">humane\_education@ohlonehumanesociety.org</a> at the end of service.

## **PET MEALS ON WHEELS AND PET PANTRY:**: see our website for a description of the program <a href="https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/pet-meals-on-wheels/">https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/pet-meals-on-wheels/</a> **Age Requirements:** high school (14+ years) or by special arrangement with manager

**Parent Supervision Required**?: Yes for groups of 6 or more **Service Hours Available**? Yes, coordinated/signed by program manager **Youth Jobs**: Bagging food, labeling bags, sorting types of food, collecting donations of pet food or supplies

**Special circumstances and projects:** Occasionally, PMOW may not have enough pet food or supplies for a group packout service session. Some groups will have a pet food and supply "foodraiser" at their school or other community locations and bring these donations with them to the pack out event to make sure there is enough to pack.

**Special project**s: Pet food, snacks, and general wellness type items for pets for groups to pack into baskets to give to a specific senior or homeless partner donor site. Discuss with the manager at least a month ahead of arranging the date.

**PET THERAPY** see our website for a description of the program https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/animal-assisted-interventions/

**Ages & Requirements:** High schoolers, 15 years and older whose parents have qualified and already are serving as OHS pet therapy volunteers may be screened to accompany their parent on certain pre-approved facility visits.

**Parent Supervision Required**?: Yes, and parent must be a certified and trained pet therapy team with OHS to earn service hours

**Service Hours Available**? Yes, coordinated/signed by program manager **Youth/Child Jobs**:. If your parent is a certified pet therapy handler, the Pet Therapy manager may interview the student with the parent and expect the student to accompany the parent on the first visit with the manager to see how they interact with people. Parent is expected to handle the dog, but the teen may be allowed to handle the dog with close supervision after observation.

**FUNDRAISING** coordinated by Fundraising that works with all programs **Age Requirements:** Any age with parent/adult supervision, over 13 for online and 16-17 for special fundraising projects assigned by fundraising manager

Parent Supervision Required?: Yes

Service Hours Available? Yes, coordinated/signed by program manager

Youth/child Jobs: Assorted fundraisers on location and online

**HUMANE EDUCATION** see our website for a description of the program

https://ohlonehumanesociety.org/humane-education/

**Age Requirements:** any age with parent supervision

Parent Supervision Required? Yes

Service Hours Available: Yes

**Youth Jobs:** Humane Education will give community service hours for children 5 and older for various educational projects concerning the environment, habitats, wildlife, foster kitten care, read to and caring for a pet.