



Teen Virtual Volunteer Opportunities Summer 2021

Thank you for your interest in volunteering with Brevard County Libraries. We are currently offering students ages 13 to 18 opportunities to earn hours virtually. Students may earn up to 15 volunteer hours this summer by completing the following activities and reporting back to library staff by email. Students will receive 1 volunteer hour per hour of work completed on each project. For example, if a project takes 2 hours to complete then 2 hours will be awarded. These activities can be completed for volunteer credit from June 1- August 1, 2021.

[Be a Smithsonian or Library of Congress Virtual Volunteer](#)

The Smithsonian and Library of Congress are both in need of virtual volunteers to transcribe documents for their websites. Please email staff with a brief description of the project to which you contributed. Visit the [Smithsonian](#) and the [Library of Congress](#) for project guidelines.

[Book Reviews](#)

Submit a short review of a book you have read this summer. Please include a brief description of the book and your opinion about it. Would you recommend this book to a friend? Why? We will post these reviews on our social media pages. Each review submitted will count for 1 hour of volunteer credit. This can be completed for up to the total 15 hours.

[Create a Curated Book List for Overdrive](#)

Visit our [Overdrive e-book Library](#) and create a themed book list for us to share. Pick a theme or topic and find 10-15 books in Overdrive that fit this theme. Email your topic and booklist to staff for us to share on Overdrive. What books would recommend for other teens to read this summer?

[Participate in a Citizen Science Project](#)

Citizen Science is a wonderful opportunity for ordinary citizens to help advance scientific projects. You can help scientists collect and evaluate data- from home! We will give you credit for each hour you spend on a project. Please email staff with the website for the project you participate in and write a short statement on what task you completed to help the project. Citizen Science projects can be found from [Scistarter](#) and [NASA](#). This summer our theme is "Tails and Tales"- can you find a project about wildlife? With any activity please take appropriate safety precautions.

Photography/Video Challenge

Help us create content for our social media pages. Create a (family friendly) library themed meme, book spine poetry, book face, book cover recreation photo, etc. You may also submit short video content that promotes the libraries and our summer theme “Tails and Tales.” After review, these will be posted on our social media pages. Please email staff your submissions. Each photo submitted will count for 1 hour of volunteer credit. This can be completed for up to the total 15 hours. A signed photo release will be required if you appear in the photo.

Learn About Digital Citizenship

Learn with [Google’s Applied Digital Skills Curriculum](#). Complete lessons that help you with evaluating your digital footprint, creating safe passwords, and preventing cyberbullying. Please specifically concentrate on Digital Citizenship lessons for this activity. Email staff with a brief description of the project you completed and what you learned.

Create Digital Art

Choose a digital art lesson from Google’s Applied Digital Skills curriculum and make a project. Email or share your completed project with staff for us to share on social media. Can you make an art project that highlights one of Florida’s endangered/threatened animals and what we can do to protect it?

Project Resources

Smithsonian Volunteers:
<https://transcription.si.edu/>

Library of Congress Volunteers:
<https://crowd.loc.gov/>

Brevard Libraries Overdrive:
<https://brevard.overdrive.com/library/teens>

SciStarter Citizen Science:
www.scistarter.org

NASA Citizen Science:
<https://science.nasa.gov/citizenscience>

Google’s Applied Digital Skills Curriculum:
<https://applieddigitalskills.withgoogle.com>

Digital Art Project:
<https://applieddigitalskills.withgoogle.com/c/en/artandgames>

Contact the Following Library Staff to Participate:

- Eau Gallie Library: Ellen Struzinski at estruzinski@brev.org
- Melbourne Beach Library: Stephanie Delaney at sdelaney@brev.org
- Merritt Island Library: Valerie Gallucci at vgallucci@brev.org
- Satellite Beach Library: Marlena Harold at marharold@brev.org
- West Melbourne Library: Danielle Dunham at ddunham@brev.org

Other Local Volunteer Opportunities:

- Beach Clean-ups with Keep Brevard Beautiful: <https://keepbrevardbeautiful.org/>
- Oyster Mat Making and Adopt-a-Mangrove Program: <https://restoreourshores.org/>