
Josephine Marley Beckwith Future Leader Scholarship

*Community Service Verification Sheet ****

| Community Service | Location | Description of Service | Date(s) | Time | Signature of Sponsor, Title, Phone Number |
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| e.g. YWCA | Alton, IL | Mentoring girls in youth group | 10/18/24 02/15/25 | 1½ hours 2 hours | Sara Smith – 618.555.5555 |
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First year recipients (Freshman) must complete at least 15 hours of community service to be eligible. Second, third and fourth year recipients must complete 30 hours of community service to be eligible for renewal.

What constitutes community service for renewal applicants?

Community service involves voluntary, unpaid activities that provide a meaningful benefit to the broader community. It should not be part of obligations tied to membership in extracurricular or academic activities, such as tasks required for a sports team, cheerleading squad, or other club. Instead, community service should address the needs of the public or an underserved group, promoting the welfare of the community as a whole rather than benefiting a specific group of individuals associated with an organization or team.

Examples of Acceptable Community Service Activities:

- *Volunteering at a local food pantry or soup kitchen.*
- *Participating in community clean-up events or beautification projects.*
- *Organizing or assisting with a charity fundraiser that benefits the community.*
- *Tutoring or mentoring younger students through a nonprofit program.*
- *Helping at a senior center, such as assisting with activities or events.*
- *Contributing time to animal shelters or rescue organizations.*
- *Supporting local events like voter registration drives or cultural celebrations.*

Examples of Activities That Do Not Qualify:

- *Selling tickets or managing equipment as part of a sports team requirement.*
- *Decorating for or participating in events solely benefiting a specific club or team.*
- *Fundraising exclusively for personal or team-related expenses (e.g., travel or uniforms).*
- *Any activity that you are required to do for participation in a group, class etc.*

***This Community Service Verification template is optional. Feel free to submit written letters from sponsors verifying service hours or attaching additional sheets as needed.

Questions? Contact Dorothy Hummel, YWCA Executive Director