



VOLUNTEER NEWSLETTER



Summer 2016

Dear Volunteers,

On behalf of JASA and the seniors we serve, we want to thank you for your service. Your time and efforts support JASA's staff and enrich JASA's programs for our seniors.

Here are some highlights from the past Fiscal Year (July 2015 – June 2016):

- 89 new volunteers in ongoing assignments
- 145 volunteers participated in group service activities
- Over 2,500 hours of service at senior centers
- Over 1,000 volunteers agency-wide

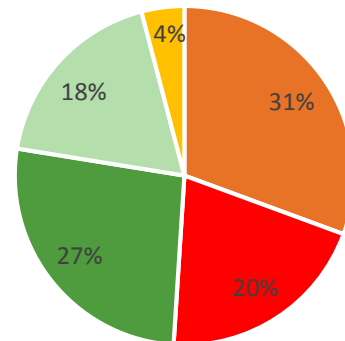
We are grateful to have so many creative, energetic and dedicated volunteers. We look forward to your continued service.

Sincerely,

Martha Pollack, LCSW
Manhattan District Director

Ilana Mittleman
Civic Engagement Associate

New ongoing volunteers in FY 16



- Office Clerical & Administrative Support
- NORC or Senior Center Clerical Support
- Class Instructor
- Senior Center Lunch Service
- Event Planning

Thank you to all our individual volunteers for leading classes, serving lunch, assisting with clerical work and helping at one-time events in the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Manhattan and Long Island.

Learn more about **JASA's Home Delivered Meals Program**

JASA's Home Delivered Meals Program delivers over 1 million meals a year to elderly or homebound residents in certain areas of the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens and Long Island.

As part of a new volunteer initiative, JASA volunteers contacted agencies in Brooklyn by phone and sent flyers to share information about this important program.

In addition, volunteers assisted in making outreach calls to clients to conduct satisfaction surveys. Thank you to our volunteers who have assisted in this program.

Know someone who could benefit from JASA's Home Delivered Meals Program?
Contact [JASA's Help Center](#) at 212-273-5272.

GROUP VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS

Corporate Groups

The following corporate groups volunteered their time and generously supported volunteer projects:

- **Deloitte at Penn South NORC** – Volunteers assembled and delivered care packages to homebound seniors
- **Deloitte at Scheuer House of Coney Island Senior Center** – Volunteers beautified an outdoor patio space
- **Ogilvy & Mather at Club 76** – Volunteers assembled packages for PETS clients
- **Old Westbury Country Club at Long Beach Senior Center** – Volunteers spent time with JASA seniors, served lunch, and donated dessert



Donations

The creativity of these groups has brightened the day for our seniors:

- **Abraham Joshua Heschel School** packed and donated Hanukkah gift bags to JASA clients in our Queens LEAP, LSEQ and APS programs
- **Camp kidsmART** created placemats for seniors at Brookdale Village Senior Center and Home Delivered Meals Program
- **Temple Shaaray Tefila** created Thanksgiving greeting cards and placemats for our seniors at Luna Park Senior Center and Home Delivered Meals Program
- **The Shefa School** donated flowered plants to members of Club 76



School Groups

Students joined in classes, assisted with lunch service, celebrated holidays together and spent time getting to know JASA seniors:

- **Abraham Joshua Heschel School** at Club 76
- **BuildOn** at Dreiser & Sue Ginsburg Senior Centers
- **The Browning School** at Club 76
- **Columbia Urban Experience** at Penn South NORC; Club 76, Luna Park, Van Cortlandt, Dreiser, and Senior Centers
- **Democracy Prep Charter School** at Van Cortlandt Senior Center
- **EINY French American School** at Club 76
- **Trevor Day School** at Club 76



Community Partners

We greatly appreciate our community partners for their ongoing volunteer support:

- **JCH of Bensonhurst**
 - 2 Summer Youth Employment Program participants at JASA's Central Office
- **St. John's University Academic Service Learning** students volunteered at Holliswood Senior Center
- **UJA-Federation of NY Engage Program**
 - JCC of Manhattan – Teaching seniors about technology at “Tech Soup” at Club 76 and Penn South NORC
 - Brooklyn – Manhattan/Brighton Beach Passover Seder



Volunteer Spotlight: Felix



Thank you Felix, for volunteering weekly at Luna Park Senior Center!

Luna Park Senior Center Director, Adrienne says, "Felix is what our center calls 'Everyman'. He was trained to monitor blood pressure for the members, serves lunch and provides telephone reassurance. Felix advocates to help get funds for our center and lets our local legislatures know the needs of our senior community."

Felix is also a certified member of JASA's Emergency Response Volunteer Corps.

NEW! Friendly Visitor Program

JASA is starting a friendly visitor volunteer program in collaboration with Citymeals in Far Rockaway, Queens. Each volunteer will be matched with a homebound senior to provide companionship and share interests through weekly visits.

Requirements:

- **Minimum 6 month commitment**
- Visit a senior for 1 hour a week in their home
- Live in or near Far Rockaway
- Patience
- Good listening skills
- Interest in brightening a senior's life!

Contact us for more information

For more opportunities visit

www.jasa.org/volunteer/volunteers-needed

Contact Volunteer Services

212.273.5353 | Volunteer@jasa.org

MORE ABOUT JASA

Upcoming NextAct Events

Educational, cultural, advocacy, and volunteer programs for adults 55+

- [Sundays at JASA](#) (Sundays, 9/18-12/4)
 - JASA's college-level continuing education programming
 - Open House (Sunday, 9/11)
- [Advocacy Workshops](#)
 - **Institute for Senior Action:** Leadership and advocacy training (8/23, 8/30, 9/19, 10/7, 12/15)
 - **Navigate New York:** an inside look at the government offices that make NYC tick (9/29, 11/18)
 - **FREE Medicare Workshop** (12/1)

Want to get more involved with JASA in addition to volunteering?

- Follow us on social media:
  
- Join JASA's Young Leaders Council
- Spread the word about JASA to your friends
- Know someone who could benefit from JASA services? Contact **JASA's Help Center** at **212-273-5272**
- Learn more at www.jasa.org

JASA Video



Check out [JASA's video](#) to learn more about the life-sustaining and enriching services we provide for seniors.