

YDL Volunteer Application

*Submit your completed application by email or in person at any YDL branch.
Questions? Contact your Volunteer Coordinator.*

Name: _____ Today's Date: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Preferred Contact Method

☐ Email: _____

☐ Phone: _____

☐ Text: _____

Emergency Contact: _____ Phone: _____

Applicant Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Parent/Guardian Signature (if under 18): _____

When can you start? _____

Preferred location(s): ☐ Whittaker ☐ Michigan Ave ☐ Superior ☐ Any

What days are you typically available to volunteer?

☐ Monday ☐ Tuesday ☐ Wednesday ☐ Thursday ☐ Friday ☐ Sat ☐ Sun

What times work best for you?

☐ Mornings (before noon) ☐ Afternoons (12-5pm) ☐ Evenings (After 5pm)

What areas interest you? (Check all that apply.)

- ☐ **Working directly with people** (greeting patrons, answering questions, providing directions, assisting patrons)
- ☐ **Working with library collections** (shelving, organizing, book maintenance, book displays)
- ☐ **Outdoor work** (community gardens, grounds maintenance, weeding)
- ☐ **Indoor maintenance** (dusting, cleaning, organizing)
- ☐ **Youth programs** (tutoring, reading buddies, activity prep, supervising play areas)
- ☐ **Event assistance** (setup, cleanup, activity support, seasonal programs)
- ☐ **Behind-the-scenes tasks** (craft prep, office support, welcome packets, book repair)
- ☐ **Tech support** (computer help, digitization, archiving projects)
- ☐ **I'm flexible—whatever the library needs!**
- ☐ **Other:** _____

Why are you interested in volunteering at YDL?

Is there a specific program, service, or area at YDL you're hoping to support?

Do you need documentation of your volunteer hours? (for school credit, scholarships, programs, etc.)

☐ **Yes** ☐ **No**

Deadline (if applicable): _____

How many hours per week are you hoping to volunteer?

- ☐ 1-2 hours/week ☐ 3-5 hours/week ☐ 6-10 hours/week
☐ Flexible/as needed

Do you have any relevant skills, experience, or hobbies (including languages spoken, tech skills, or relevant experience) you'd like us to know about?

Is there anything we should know about accessibility needs or accommodations that would help you volunteer comfortably?

How did you find out about our volunteer program?

- ☐ YDL website ☐ Staff recommendation ☐ School/teacher
☐ Friend or family ☐ Social media ☐ Flyer or signage in the library
☐ Other: _____

I understand that submitting a volunteer application does not guarantee placement. Applications are reviewed on an ongoing basis and not all applicants will be matched with a volunteer assignment.

☐ Yes

Optional: I give permission for Ypsilanti District Library to use photos or videos taken during my volunteer activities for promotional purposes, including social media and library publications.

☐ Yes

BACKGROUND CHECK AUTHORIZATION AND RELEASE

I understand that a background check will be conducted as part of the volunteer application process.

I authorize

- Ypsilanti District Library and its representatives to conduct a background investigation, which may include verification of my employment history, education, criminal record, driving record, and other relevant information.

I understand

- This authorization is voluntary and required for volunteer placement.
- If my volunteer application is denied based on information in the background check, I have the right to receive a copy of the report and dispute any inaccurate information.
- Any volunteer position offered is conditional pending results of the background check.
- I hold harmless any individual or organization that provides information in good faith for this background check.

Applicant information:

Full name _____ Former names used _____

Current address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone number _____ Date of birth _____

Driver's License # _____ State _____

Applicant signature _____ Date _____