

# VOLUNTEER SERVICES

## Mid-year impact statement

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Internships  
for college &  
high school  
students

On-going  
activities for  
professionals &  
retirees

One-day  
projects for  
corporations &  
community  
organizations



*The Brooklyn Bureau of Community Service helps children reach their potential, families become stronger, and adults lead productive, fulfilling lives. We offer a diverse array of social services, including vocational training and job placement; social support and mental health services for persons with disabilities; and child welfare and family support services such as foster care prevention, homemaker services, and group and family day care services. Volunteers and interns are an integral component of our workforce and greatly enhance the services provided by professional staff.*

A volunteer from Morgan Stanley provides job interview practice during a workshop conducted with six of her peers.

In the first half of <sup>FY</sup>06-07 (July 1 to December 31, 2006), 74 on-going volunteers and interns contributed 8,821 hours of service, which represents a significant increase over the previous mid-year level.

**On-going individual activity** Almost all of the on-going volunteer and intern activity directly enhanced the educational and rehabilitation services provided by the Brooklyn Bureau to at-risk children and adults with disabilities.

Disabled adults	3,518.2 hrs	40%
At-risk children	4,995.5 hrs	57%
Non-direct services	<u>307.2 hrs</u>	<u>3%</u>
	8,821.0 hrs	100%

*More than 380 disabled adults directly benefited from the following activities:*

- Vocational evaluation, service planning 951 hours by 10 interns
- Evaluation, training for disabled WEP clients 665 hours by 7 interns
- Pre-vocational and work readiness training 408 hours by 4 interns
- Computer tutoring for disabled adults 470 hours by 7 interns
- Training, casework in sheltered employment 385 hours by 2 interns
- Benefits case management 337 hours by 2 interns
- Assisting psychology research project 94 hours by 2 volunteers
- Assisting supported employment consumers 99 hours by 2 interns
- Life skills training in day habilitation program 47 hours by 1 intern
- Adult literacy tutoring 34 hours by 1 volunteer
- Assisting psychiatric rehabilitation 30 hours by 1 intern

*More than 300 children directly benefited from the following activities:*

- Helping children learn in childcare center 4,443 hours by 23 volunteers
- Homework help in after school programs 488 hours by 4 volunteers
- Career planning for at-risk teens 65 hours by 4 volunteers



An intern from JP Morgan Chase helps preschool children with an educational computer program at Duffield Children's Center.

**One-day group activity** At mid-year, eight one-day projects have been completed by 113 volunteers, who contributed 449 hours of service.

*150 disabled adults directly benefited from the following projects:*

- Painting a clubhouse in Downtown Brooklyn — clubhouses are community-based psychosocial programs that provide mentally ill adults with psychiatric rehabilitation services
- A Thanksgiving meal at a clubhouse in the East New York Section of Brooklyn
- A mock interview workshop for developmentally delayed adults
- A recreational outing for developmentally delayed adults

*120 children directly benefited from the following projects:*

- Motivational speakers in a 4th Grade class, donation of backpacks filled with school supplies
- Tutoring and teaching assistance to three pre-K classes at a child care center
- A Holiday Party outing for 34 children from a child care center, Grades 1 through 4.



South Shore High School teachers and students prepare and serve a Thanksgiving meal at the East New York Clubhouse.



A Morgan Stanley volunteer (at right) paints with a client at MetroClub



A Bear Stearns volunteer assists 4th Grade student at Duffield Children's Center

**Volunteer profile and agency partners** The Volunteer Services Office at the Brooklyn Bureau of Community Service collaborates year-round with scores of professors, college career counselors and financial aid officers, corporate human resources directors and high school community service advisers.

Below are just some of our partners who provided the talented and motivated volunteers and interns mentioned in this report.



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