

ECONOMICS COMMUNITY SERVICE PROJECT

As you know, a large portion of your Economics grade (240 points) is based on your participation in this project. In order to complete it, you will need to participate in a minimum of 4 hours of some type of community service activity (see examples given on separate sheet – any others should be cleared with the teacher ahead of time). **These hours may not be done during school time** – it is not a substitute for going to class. All activities must be done during the academic school year. You may complete all 4 hours at one time and at the same place. Your community service must be directly related to the Social Issue research paper that you completed. The idea is that you are now actually observing how our local community (the private sector) is addressing this problem. The agency or business you volunteer at must be **NON-PROFIT!**

Requirements for 4 hours of service

1. **Signature Log:** You must take your signature log with you to all the events and get the supervisor to sign it at the end of your visit. They must fill out the log in ink – including time begun and ended. **Any altered forms will not be accepted!**

*keep a separate log for Community Service and Government Observation hours. *no photocopies!
2. You must show **proof of your attendance/cognitive state** at these various functions. Examples would be to get a copy any pamphlets, handouts, brochures, or business cards from the business/agency.
3. You must ask questions at your community service and keep them to be turned in after the 4 hours are completed (This is **required**, not optional). This means you will need to prepare some questions to ask the specific agency regarding where their funding comes from, who they serve, etc. Do not recopy or be concerned about neatness – they are notes.
5. This project cannot be turned in past the due date! **NO EXCEPTIONS!** If you are sick or for any other reason you cannot make it to school on the day the project is due, have someone else deliver it.

Parents may not act as the supervisor for their student.

6. At the end of the hours, you will prepare a report with the following information, computer generated!
 - I. Title Page
 - II. Table of Contents
 - III. Write-up:
write a 2-3 page (minimum of 2 complete pages) **reflective essay** about the experience, including:
 - A. summary of the things you did
 - B. your impression of the experience (good, bad, informative, accomplished what they are suppose to or not, etc.)
 - C. 3 references to specific things you have learned in Economics
 - D. Relate your findings in your Social Issues paper to your community service.
 - IV. Supplemental Material
 - A. log of hours (obtain from teacher)
 - B. proof of work – agendas, pictures, pamphlets, handouts, etc.
 - C. questions you asked of the business/agency
5. The project must be secured into a folding metal tabs folder in the order given above! No binders!