

A SAMPLING OF VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES IN LEE

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VOLUNTEERS ARE ESSENTIAL FOR SMALL TOWNS TO FUNCTION

Lee is no exception. **We all benefit from hundreds of volunteers** – some for multiple causes/activities – who staff community boards and committees; help provide residents and visitors a clean, healthy environment and ample opportunities for recreation and enjoyment; and support educational and extra-curricular activities, among other things. Their efforts make the town more attractive for residents, businesses, and visitors, and contribute to our cultural and economic well-being, helping us all.

BUT THE TOWN NEEDS MORE VOLUNTEERS!

Certain town committees are under-staffed and many projects need more volunteers to reap the maximum benefits. Summarized below is a sampling of current volunteer opportunities, including the organization, a contact person, the nature of the work, and the timing (if known). By volunteering for one or more of these activities (or others that we post over time) you'll make Lee a more vibrant – and attractive – community. Not only will you be helping the town, but also you'll meet like-minded people, spend time outside, and have an uplifting, enjoyable experience, with an immediate positive impact. **Thank you in advance for your support.**

- **Lee Youth Commission** (contact is Kathleen Hall - kphall@live.com) - help with play-grounds: install equipment, build benches, paint, and spread mulch. The work would begin in late summer or early fall.
- **Lee Land Trust** – looking for new members – Lee residents only (contact is Deidre Consolati – 413.243.2318 or deidreconsolati@gmail.com); seeking help to clean up its lands (open spaces and parks), including fall hikes/cleanups (contact is Linda Cyes – 413.243.0245).
- **Lee Sandy Beach Committee** (contact is Deidre Consolati – 413.243.2318 or deidreconsolati@gmail.com) – help watering plants in the beach area on Laurel Lake during the summer (water needs to be hauled from the lake).
- **Lee Chamber of Commerce** (contact is Colleen Henry - director243@outlook.com)
 - Golf Tournament (June 20 – 11:00 am to 3:00 pm – shorter shift might be possible) – help with registration and contests
 - Founders Weekend (September 14-15) – various activities during both days
 - Holiday season tree lighting and putting names on and hanging “angels” on the tree – November 30th, 6:00 to 7:00 pm.
- **Lee Greener Gateway Committee** (multiple contacts – see below) –
 - Annual Greener Gateway Town-wide Cleanup (contact is Valerie Bluhm - valerie4748@gmail.com) – April 28, 9:00 to 11:00 am (rain date is May 6) – roadside litter cleanup in groups; meet at the Gazebo near the Post Office; we provide gloves, vests, etc.; food follows.
 - Monthly roadside cleanups (weather permitting) – last Saturday of the month – May-October 9:00-11:00 am / November-March 1:00-3:00 pm; meet at the Gazebo near the Post Office; we provide gloves, vests, etc. Just show up, no contact needed.
 - Founders Weekend (contact is Peter Hofman – pdhofman12@gmail.com) – staffing recycling/compost/trash stations downtown (guide people in separating their waste) September 14th 4:00 to 8:00 pm and September 15th 11:00 am to 6:00 pm – maximum 2-hour shifts).