Environment-Related Service Opportunities

These are service opportunities identified by ILS, in order by agency. UDM students, faculty, and colleagues are encouraged to follow up as described in each opportunity. Please report updates to TheInstitute@udmercy.edu

Detroit Black Community Food Security Network

http://detroitblackfoodsecurity.org

Promotes urban agriculture, co-operative food buying and healthy eating habits.

Contact: Mr. Malik Yakini
Director
313-345-3663
myakini@dbcfsn.org

Urban Farming

Volunteer at D-Town Farm! Every Saturday and Sunday from 8am to noon at the farm. Work clothes, work boots, gloves, brimmed hat, water, bug repellent, and a great attitude are strongly encouraged! Other volunteer times available for groups.

Earthworks Urban Farm

http://www.cskdetroit.org/EWG/

Program of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen - 2.5 acre, all-organic farm that provides fresh, healthy and nutritious food for the community.

Contact: Shane Bernardo
Outreach Coordinator
313-579-2100 x 204
sbernardo@cskdetroit.org

Garden Worker

Regular volunteer hours for working in the garden: Come dressed appropriately for the weather and work. Long pants and closed toe shoes are required regardless of weather. Water bottles and sun screen are recommended especially in the warmer months. Wednesdays, 9am - 12pm - February through the third week in December. Saturdays, 9am - 12pm - April through the weekend before Thanksgiving. Thursdays/Fridays, 9am - 12pm - June through September.

Friends of the Rouge

http://www.therouge.org

Restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River.

Contact: Erin Cassady
Rouge Edn Proj Prog Mgr & Member C
313-792-9900
ecassady@therouge.org

Rouge Education Project

Help 4th-12th grader conduct hands-on scientific fieldwork through physical, biological, and chemical assessments of Rouge River health. More info at: http://www.therouge.org/our-work/rouge-education-project

Contact: Sally Petrella
Volunteer Monitoring Program Manag
313 792-9621 ext106
spetrella@therouge.org

One Day events and Long Term projects

Visit their website http://www.therouge.org/ for a calendar of events that include clean-up efforts, wildlife monitoring projects, and education projects
### Lafayette Greens

Urban Garden and Greenspace in downtown Detroit

**Contact:** Gwen Meyer  
**Co-ordinator:** 313-227-5555  
142 West Lafayette  
**Detroit**  
Gwen.Meyer@compuware.com

**Urban gardening**

Regular volunteer hours on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  
On-site physical labor, education or organizing and distribution.  
Email to set up other days and times, or groups.

### People for Palmer Park

Palmer Park preservation and revitalization

**Contact:** Mr. Clint Griffin  
**313-978-2826**  
504 Neff Road  
**Grosse Pointe**  
cmgriffin1001@yahoo.com

**Park Maintenance**

Palmer Park clean-up and maintenance.

### Service in the City

This is a program run by University Ministry to provide service opportunities to students and coordinates transportation.

**Contact:** Taylor Topolski  
**FCCP Student Leader:** 313-993-1560  
topolstn@udmercy.edu

**Community Gardens**

Work on gardens in the neighborhoods immediately around the McNichols Campus. Work will probably include cleaning up landscaping, preparing for the spring season, or helping build community signs and new garden beds. Sign up with Ministry or email Taylor directly. Times tbd, depending on availability of volunteers.

### Urban Neighborhood Initiatives

Community Center offering programs for at-risk youth and adults in Southwest Detroit

**Contact:** Gunnar Hamina  
**Volunteer Coordinator:** 970-376-7922  
ghamina@unidetroit.org

**Parks & Beautification**

Volunteer at an alley clean up or help with gardening at one of their parks. These events happen throughout the year see info at http://unidetroit.org/volunteer/