

Volunteer Service Project — Part Two: The Essay

Assignment:

In 3 pages, write an engaging, well-voiced narrative essay about your volunteer experience. Create a presence. Make your audience unable to put your pages down. Teach them about an organization or some human beings they hadn't considered. Paint a picture. Tell the truth. Be creative. Maybe research a little and provide a Works Cited page. (Would knowing the history of the park you cleaned or the organization you visited or the people you helped add to your own understanding and to your readers' as well?) Provide an introduction that details the climax, or high point, of your volunteer time; or describes an unforgettable character in your true story; or highlights an interesting find from your research. (Please don't begin this essay with the phrase "I did my volunteer time at ____" or "When I got this assignment, I decided...")

Respect your readers' time by *reading your own story* out loud as you edit. Edit several times. Proofread: line by line, backwards, or with a window card. ~ ~

Write Well ~ ~ Be articulate. Care about your work.

Expectations:

Engage your reader, communicate with clarity, respect English (and MLA).

100 points

Check your syllabus for the final draft due date!