

Volunteer to make a difference.

Become a Law Library Volunteer at the 19th Judicial Circuit Court of Lake County, IL



The William D. Block Memorial Law Library serves the public by offering an open and efficient system of access to the Library's collections and services.

Volunteer Description:

Volunteers will work alongside the Self-Represented Litigant Coordinator, to provide help and resources to people who are representing themselves in court. Volunteers will guide individuals through legal paperwork and court processes. Often, volunteers will assist individuals who are Spanish speaking. Law Library volunteers will be responsible for learning about the court building in order to direct people to the proper resources. Volunteers will not provide legal advice and will only serve as a guide. **Training will be provided.**

Time Commitment:

The 19th Judicial Circuit Court will be flexible and work with individuals who decide to volunteer. Preferably, volunteers will be available to accommodate the Library's busiest hours, from 8am-12pm. Ideally, volunteers will be available during its hours of operation, 8am-5pm.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Must be able to pass a background check
- Must be willing to learn and understand the justice system and court operations/procedures

DESIRED QUALIFICATIONS

- Long-term volunteer
- Bilingual in Spanish/English
- Flexible schedule
- Available from 8am-12pm
- Students in Legal Studies, Criminal Justice, Political Science, Spanish, or related majors
- Current or retired professionals with relevant experience

Benefits of volunteering:

- Networking opportunities with Court personnel (Great for students in Legal Studies, Criminal Justice, Political Science, Spanish, and related fields)
- Gain experience and familiarity with procedures and operations within the 19th Judicial Circuit Court
- Develop communication and leadership skills
- Have a positive impact on people in need
- Give back to the community of Lake County

To learn more or apply, please contact the College of Lake County Volunteer Coordinator, Cristian Gonzalez, at 847-543-2748 or at cgonzalez35@clcollinois.edu.