# You've considered the issues. You've voted. Now keep it going!

These Portland organizations take action to address issues around <u>access to</u> <u>education</u> and they are always looking for people to help. Contact one to get involved today!

# **Open Meadow**

#### openmeadow.org

# Email: mngokion@lclark.edu

<u>Mission</u>: "Open Meadow offers a personalized educational experience for middle and high school youth. Our mission is to develop connection, capability, and confidence in disconnected youth through relationship-based, quality learning experiences that result in academic, personal, and community success."

*Ways to get involved*: Volunteer through their Step Up program with 3CE. Many internship, tutoring, and mentorship opportunities available.

# NAYA (Native American Youth and Family Center)

# nayapdx.org

# (503) 288-8177

<u>Mission</u>: The Native American Youth and Family Center in Portland works to enrich the lives of our Native youth and families through education, community involvement, and culturally specific programming. We have provided educational services, cultural arts programming, and direct support to reduce poverty to the Portland metropolitan area's American Indian and Alaska Native community for over 30 years.

*Ways to get involved*: Volunteer tutors, administrative assistants, kitchen crew members, tax prep assistants, and sports coaches are always needed.

# **Oregon Student Access Commission**

#### www.oregonstudentaid.gov

*Mission*: OSAC continues to provide innovative programs to thousands of Oregon students and families to ensure access to postsecondary education.

<u>*Ways to get involved*</u>: With OSAC you can sign-up to serve on a scholarship committee, mentor a student, or help with office work!

# **New Avenues For Youth**

#### newavenues.org

<u>*Mission*</u>: New Avenues for Youth provides a variety of outcome-based programs and services designed to empower youth to exit street life and lead healthy, independent lives. <u>*Ways to get involved*</u>: There are opportunities for support through clerical and advocacy work, however, direct service volunteers (i.e. those involved in tutoring, mentoring etc.) must be at least 23 years old.

# **Junior Achievement**

# Jaorswwa.org

*<u>Mission</u>*: Help students succeed in the global economy.

<u>*Ways to get involved*</u>: Has volunteer positions open for tutoring elementary, middle and high school students enrolled in their program; encourages volunteers to bring practical application and real life experiences into classroom discussion.

# "I Have a Dream" Foundation Oregon

### ihaveadreamoregon.org

<u>*Mission*</u>: Helps children from low-income communities achieve success in school and college through practical and emotional support from both peers and adults.

<u>*Ways to get involved*</u>: Sign-up to be a tutor. One-time service opportunities are also available at field trips, open houses etc. Already have an internship somewhere else? Perfect! Volunteer to have one of their students "shadow" you at your job.

# **School House Supplies**

# schoolhousesupplies.org

<u>Mission</u>: Nonprofit that supports public education in Portland by giving students and teachers free classroom supplies. We operate Oregon's only volunteer-run Free Store for Teachers. <u>Ways to get involved</u>: Volunteer to collect donations (in the form of school supplies or otherwise). Be a front desk assistant at their store or warehouse! Start a book drive!

#### <u>p:ear</u>

pearmentor.org

# (503) 228-6677

### Email: joy@pearmentor.org

*<u>Mission</u>*: p:ear builds positive relationships with homeless and transitional youth through education, art, and recreation to affirm personal worth and create more meaningful and healthier lives.

<u>*Ways to get involved*</u>: Tired volunteer opportunities available with a long-term commitment preferred. Volunteer tasks may include leading art workshops, picking up meals, serving on a committee, event support, etc. Volunteers must be 25 or older.

# Get info about more ways to engage @ go.lclark.edu/3CE!

This list is intended to be inclusive but it is impossible to list every great community organization in Portland. If there's an organization you'd like us to add to this list, please email service@lclark.edu



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