

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**
11000 West McNichols Road - **Detroit** *myakini@dbcfsn.org*
Suite 311

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**
1264 Meldrum **Detroit** *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

www.therouge.org

Restoration and stewardship of the Rouge River.

Contact: *Erin Cassidy* **Rouge Edn Proj Prog Mgr & Member C** **313-792-9900**
4901 Evergreen Road, KM **Dearborn** *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**
4901 Evergreen, KM **Dearborn** *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

<http://www.compuware.com/about/lafayette-greens/home.html>

Urban Garden and Greenspace in downtown Detroit

Contact: *Gwen Meyer*

142 West Lafayette

Coordinator

Detroit

313-227-5555

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

www.peopleforpalmerpark.org

Palmer Park preservation and revitalization

Contact: *Mr. Clint Griffin*

504 Neff Road

Grosse Pointe

313-978-2826

cmgriffin1001@yahoo.com

Park Maintenance

Palmer Park clean-up and maintenance.

Service in the City

<http://www.udmercy.edu/ministry/>

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

www.unidetroit.org

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/>
