

Volunteer Opportunities

You can make a difference! Get involved in your community and share your talents with others! Join us at Lake Erie Nature & Science Center and become a volunteer today!

We need people like you – people who are willing to help wildlife, educate the community, and help care for the natural world. Volunteers are an essential part of the operations of the Center; your efforts support the staff, wildlife, the community, and help us carry out Lake Erie Nature & Science Center's Mission. We offer many opportunities designed to get you involved!

Our Mission

Lake Erie Nature & Science Center educates Northeast Ohio children and the community at large through engaging classes, hands-on discovery, specialized planetarium programming and up-close wildlife experiences to inspire appreciation of and responsibility for our natural universe—one participant at a time.



Share your talents and become a volunteer today!



Getting Here

Located on Wolf Road, at the corner of Porter Creek Drive in the Cleveland Metroparks Huntington Reservation.

From the West, Interstate 90:

Exit 156, Crocker Bassett Road. Turn north (left) on Crocker Road. Turn east (right) on Wolf Road. Entrance will be approximately .7 miles on the north side of the road (left).

From the East, Interstate 90:

Exit 159, Columbia Road north. Turn right on Columbia Road. Turn west (left) on Wolf Road. Entrance will be approximately 1.9 miles on the north side of the road (right).

From the South, Interstate 480:

Exit 7, Clague Road. Turn north (right) on Clague. Pass over Interstate 90. Turn west (left) on Wolf Road. Entrance will be approximately 2.9 miles on the north side of the road (right).



28728 Wolf Road, Bay Village, Ohio 44140
(440) 871-2900 | www.lenasc.org

Open Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. until 5 p.m.
Closed some holidays

Admission: FREE!

Your donations to our Owl Collection Box are encouraged and greatly appreciated.

Stroller and Wheelchair Friendly

Center hours and prices are subject to change.



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EDUCATION

Whether you enjoy sharing your knowledge with others or just having fun while you work, we need you! Activities in our Education Department range from helping with our quarterly program registration to assisting staff with programs for children, adults or both! Help students enhance their reading skills at our Wild Summer Reading Camp. Sharpen your star-gazing skills while helping out in our Schuele Planetarium. Roast hot dogs or lead participants as they make crafts at our Family Programs. Training may include handling our resident animals.

ADMINISTRATIVE/VISITOR SERVICES

Meet and greet visitors and help provide information to our guests at our welcome desk. Assist with answering phones, mailings, filing, copying or computer entry. This can be weekly or as needed.

SPECIAL EVENTS

We have a number of special events throughout the year. Often people are needed to help as greeters, food/beverage servers or with admission services. We also need volunteers to assist with set-up and take down of the various events or with crafts and activities related to that event.

ANIMAL CARE

Help us care for and feed our collection of more than 100 live animals including resident birds of prey, mammals, reptiles and fishes. Assist with daily maintenance of animal exhibits and education animals. Volunteers work a consistent weekday morning schedule.



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WILDLIFE PRESENTER

Perform off-site animal presentations. You will learn how to handle animals and interact with the public.

WILDLIFE REHABILITATION

Assist wildlife coordinator and specialists with rehabilitating injured wildlife. Assist with daily cleaning, feeding, and medicating of rehab animals. Must be willing to commit to a consistent day and time.

NATURALIST ASSISTANT (AGES 13-18)

This unique program began in 1945 at the inception of the Center! Assist with care and maintenance of educational and exhibit animals. Learn how to handle animals and interact with the public by providing informal presentations. This program often has a yearlong waiting list so apply early!

GROUNDS & MAINTENANCE

Calling all green thumbs, we need help with weeding, mulching, pruning and planting in our garden areas. If you are handy with a hammer, then we can use your assistance with small repairs, construction and building upkeep.



YES, I want to Volunteer!

Simply complete the information and return it to Lake Erie Nature & Science Center by mail, fax, e-mail or in person.

We want to hear from you!

Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone (h) _____ (w) _____

Phone (cell) _____

Email _____

Age: Student (13-18) Adult

Birthdate: ____/____/____ (optional)

Volunteer Opportunity of Interest: _____

Special Skills or Hobbies: _____

At what times are you interested in volunteering?

Flexible Prefer Weekends Prefer Weekdays
 Limit only to special events School Holidays

Other _____

Times during the week that I cannot volunteer:

IN PERSON OR BY MAIL TO:

Volunteer Coordinator
Lake Erie Nature & Science Center
28728 Wolf Road
Bay Village, OH 44140

FAX TO: Volunteer Coordinator 440-871-2901

EMAIL TO: renee@lensc.org