



THE CITY OF OAKLAND PARK  
**VOLUNTEER CORPS**  
**NEWSLETTER**  
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**Volunteer Corps to assist with Vulnerable Population Registry**



The Oakland Park Volunteer Corps would like to welcome new member **Mitchell Rosenwald** to our ranks. Mitch will be spearheading the monitoring and updating of the City's Vulnerable Population Registry. This countywide program maintains a registry of those residents that have special needs and considerations in an emergency or local disaster of any kind, such as hurricane, flood or extended power outage. Residents can provide contact information and details of their current support system to include the need for refrigerated medications, electric oxygen or health maintenance equipment and local family members.

Mitch brings his vast experience to this program and hopes to build relationships with our Oakland Park residents to ensure their safety. By ensuring the registry is current and accurate, we can better assure the safety of our residents.

The collaboration between the City of Oakland Park and its Volunteer Corps program make special projects like this possible. Volunteers are able to reach out and assist our residents in so many ways that wouldn't be possible without you. Your talents are greatly appreciated.

If you or a loved one would like more information about the Vulnerable Population Registry, please visit:

**BROWARD COUNTY VULNERABLE POPULATION REGISTRY**  
<http://www.broward.org/atrisk>,  
 or call 954-630-4502.

**Operation Our Neighbor August event date change**

The Volunteer Corps, along with many community partners, have set a new date for our next Operation Our Neighbor. The reason for the change is a great one! Our partners, **The Home Depot** and **The Home Depot Foundation**, have included this project in their annual "Celebration of Service", a period from September through Veterans Day focusing on home improvements for our veterans. Many Home Depot stores will join forces here in Oakland Park to kick off their annual program with this event.

On Saturday morning, September 5<sup>th</sup> at 8am, members of the Volunteer Corps will join several local business to come to the assistance of one of our neighbors in need. This local veteran was brought to our attention through **Oakland Park Fire/Rescue** after a call to his home.

Leading up to this date, **All American Roofing, Scandinavian Builders, JGA Roofing Supply** and **Home Depot** will have already completed repairs to the roof. Volunteers from **New Beginnings TLC** will have the pressure washing completed as well.



Volunteers on the 5th will assist primarily with interior painting, but will also help with removal of demolition material from the home.

Thursday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, available volunteers will don their work gloves and join with **Team Depot** members from across south Florida to address landscape and exterior painting projects.

This project is made possible by a



grant from the **Home Depot Foundation**. We will also welcome the HEROs (Healthcare Employees Reaching Out) from **Memorial Healthcare Systems**.

Operation Our Neighbor is a community based housing improvement project that utilizes volunteers to perform practical and feasible yard and home tasks for qualifying residents. We thank our business partners so much for their support.

If you'd like more information or would like to volunteer for this terrific event, please call 954-630-4502 for details.

**Volunteer joins Corps office**



The Volunteer Corps welcomes Pat Crowley to our office. Pat helps with all the behind the scenes work related to all volunteer activities. She also monitors the call system in support of our Graffiti Patrol. This adds to Pat's participation in virtually every other Volunteer Corps event. Thanks for all your support, Pat!

**ONGOING OPENINGS**

**The Urban Farming Institute** – Looking for individuals to help with data entry at their offices at Jaco Pastorius Park. Be a part of this sensational growing enterprise.

**Dillon Tennis Center** – Looking for interested volunteers to help with several facets of tennis operations during summer months such as phone reservations and simple court maintenance.



For more information on upcoming events, contact Bruce Garrison, Volunteer Services Manager, at (954) 630-4502, or visit the Volunteer Corps webpage:

<http://www.oaklandparkfl.gov/235/volunteer-corps>

On our page, you'll find:

- Full details on each Volunteer Corps activity or event
- A list of ongoing clerical and professional opportunities at City Hall
- Volunteer Corps Application