

Volunteering for Skagit County





Volunteer Season

Main Season:
April - October

Shoulder Season:
November - March



Volunteer Activities

- **Outreach booth/Information table**
 - *Most common*
 - *Farmers Markets, Skagit County Fair, other community events*
- **Recycling events**
 - *Ask a Master Recycler Days*
 - *Annual Fall Community Clothing Swap*
- **Event recycling station monitoring**
- **Waste audits**
- **Classes & workshops, group presentations**
 - *Home Composting/Vermicomposting*
 - *Recycling 101*

Volunteer requirements

- Volunteer 24-hours within one calendar year
 - *May 2026 - May 2027*
- Must return **12 of the 24 hours** to events scheduled by Skagit County Solid Waste Division
- May return **additional 12 hours** through alternative, community projects
 - *Must provide brief description of plan to return these hours*
 - *What, Where, When, How, Who*
 - *Email as a Word Doc, or PDF to MCR Coordinator*
 - *Track and report hours to MCR Coordinator, independently*



How to sign up for volunteer opportunities



- Opportunities announced via email from MCR Coordinator
- Email gives a link to volunteer website where you can register to volunteer for your preferred event date & time slot
 - *Volunteer time slots are ≈ 2 hours each*
 - *May sign up for one, 2-hour time slot, or multiple, 2-hour time slots*
 - *Ideally a minimum of 2 people per time slot*
- [SignUp.com](https://www.signup.com) under
 - *Skagit County Master Composter Recycler Page*
 - *Sends text and email reminders*
 - *Tracks volunteer hours so you don't have to*



When you volunteer

- Wear official Master Composter/Recycler name badge
- Engage with audience
- Use educational handouts and resources provided in the Ed/Outreach Booth Box
- Replenish educational handouts when running low and engage with planned booth activities (if any)
- Suggest sign-up for the Solid Waste Newsletter
- Answer questions that you know the answers to!
 - *If you do not know the answer:*
 - Offer my business card
 - Write the question down
 - Send a follow up email to me after the event



Volunteer Incentives

5 hours

Worms Eat my Garbage by Mary Appelhof

15 hours

Can I Recycle This? A Guide to Better Recycling and How to Reduce Single Use Plastics By Jennie Romer

24 hours

Composting Thermometer

Various Continuing Education Opportunities

Field Trips, Topic Lectures, Hands-On Learning Days

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