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## Passaic Vicinage Seeking Volunteers

The Passaic Vicinage is seeking volunteers to serve on child placement review (CPR) boards and Juvenile Conference Committees (JCC), as well as with the municipal mediation and Guardianship Monitoring programs.

CPR board members monitor cases of children placed in foster care to ensure the best placement in the interest of the child. Board members review case records and plans, interview interested parties and make recommendations to the court.

JCC members hear cases involving alleged minor offenders and make recommendations to a family court judge for a resolution that will help with the juvenile's rehabilitation.

Municipal mediators are neutral third parties who assist disputing parties in reaching a mutually acceptable solution.

Guardianship monitors help ensure that guardians of incapacitated elderly residents and young adults comply with the statutory and court-ordered requirements of their positions.

All volunteers are appointed by the court for a provisional term of one year and could be reappointed for additional three-year terms. Prospective volunteers must undergo a screening process that includes an application, interview, fingerprinting and criminal background check. Selected volunteers must attend program-specific training and will be asked to sign a confidentiality oath, as these matters are confidential.

For more information about the programs and application process, contact Larissa Falcone at 973-247-8089 or [Larissa.Falcone@njcourts.gov](mailto:Larissa.Falcone@njcourts.gov).

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