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## **Burlington Vicinage Seeking Volunteers**

The Burlington Vicinage is seeking adult and juvenile volunteers for two Superior Court programs.

Adults and juveniles are needed as Juvenile Conference Committee (JCC) board members, court-appointed citizens who hear and decide matters involving alleged juvenile offenders. They make recommendations to a family court judge for a resolution that would aid in the juvenile's rehabilitation.

Youth volunteers could be eligible for community service credit hours based upon approval from their high school.

Adults are needed as courthouse information specialists to greet and direct litigants, attorneys and visitors to their destinations. They also answer questions and provide assistance in person or by phone.

Prospective adult volunteers for both programs must undergo a screening process, which includes a written application, interview, fingerprinting and a criminal background check. Mandatory training provided by the Burlington Vicinage must be completed prior to volunteer service.

Prospective youth volunteers, who must be between the ages of 14 and 17, are subject to a juvenile record check. Parental consent is required for all youth volunteers. Mandatory training provided by the Burlington Vicinage must be completed prior to volunteer service.

For additional information about the programs and the application process, contact Lawrence Bethea at lawrence.bethea@njcourts.gov.