

Returning Largo Teen Volunteer's (LTV)

LTV's MISSION & VISION

Middle and high school students with an interest in Recreation, Parks and Arts are invited to become Largo Teen Volunteers (LTV). The LTV program will empower teens to not only be leaders but ambassadors for the Largo Recreation Department. By simply introducing your schools, peers, and communities to what our department offers or asking what they would like to see for teens they can enjoy developing new relationships, learning new skills, staying away from negative risks and temptations, and gaining valuable work experience. We thank you for your interest and look forward to working with you throughout the school year.

ELIGIBILITY

- Age/Class Year Eligibility: Current middle and high school student in grades 6-12, and at least 12 years of age.
- Location: Main hub is at Highland Recreation but assignments can be at Southwest Recreation, Community Center, Largo Central Park and the Golf Course.

EXPECTATIONS

- Must have a passion for recreation and parks or any area of interest related, and be dedicated to spreading the word within the community about our department's teen programs.
- Share insights and post reviews on Largo Recreation's programs/events on social media such as Facebook @PlayLargo, Instagram @LargoRec, Snapchat, Twitter or similar.
 - Students assist in the planning and executing of events and have a unique glimpse behind the scenes of Recreation. Minimum of two (2) social media posts throughout the Sep-May school year (for high school students in grades 9-12, at least 14 years of age).
- **MANDATORY**
 - *Events:* Volunteer in at least six (6) events throughout the school year (Sep – May).
 - Largo's Old Fashioned Christmas Parade in Downtown Largo is required.
 - *Community Projects:* Lead or participate in a minimum of one (1) throughout the school year (Sep – May). This includes any additional meetings required for planning and preparing outside of regular monthly LTV meetings.
 - Attend minimum of six (6) monthly group in-person meetings out of nine (9). We meet once a month at Highland Recreation (Sep – May). This does not include community projects. Community project meetings for planning and preparing are in addition to these.
 - If participants are not actively attending meetings after three months, are a no show to two or more volunteer assignments, or do not lead/participate in any community projects they will be removed from the LTV program as an active member.

WHAT WILL YOU GAIN FROM THE PROGRAM?

- Communication, public speaking, networking, and leadership skills.
- In appreciation for our teens hard work throughout the school year, those who have put in 40 volunteer hours by the end of the school year will get the chance to go on a fun trip courtesy of Largo Recreation to thank them.
- Teens can earn volunteer hours for their participation in the program that meet the qualifications for Bright Futures through Pinellas County Schools and other extracurricular school groups, which runs from September through May each year.

For any other questions about our LTV program please contact Erika Lafontaine at elafonta@largo.com or call (727) 587-6740 ext 5047.

By signing below, you have read and understand the expectations required of the LTV Program above.

Parent Signature and Date

LTV Signature and Date