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“Lunch and Learn” for Volunteer Managers

North Jersey--The Non Profit Training and Resource Center of the Volunteer Center of Bergen County will present a Volunteer Managers’ “Lunch and Learn” Roundtable on Monday September 21, 2009 , from 11:30 am to 1:00pm at the Volunteer Center’s offices at 64 Passaic Street in Hackensack. Registration is free; participants should bring their own lunches.

All professionals who work with or manage volunteers in non-profit, corporate, community, governmental or faith-based settings are invited to attend this seminar—part of a series which feature discussions on issues related to volunteer management.

Each Roundtable will provide an opportunity for professional growth and interaction with colleagues as well as a forum for sharing ideas and best practices in the field.

Denise Schachter of Teaneck High School and Debbie Emery of the Volunteer Center will lead the discussion on the featured topic of Youth Volunteerism.

The Corporation for National and Community Service released a report showing that community service in America’s schools has reached a new peak, with 68% of all K-12 schools offering or recognizing service opportunities for their students. The growth of community service, especially in the high school and college settings, is likely a contributing factor to the increased levels of civic engagement in today’s youth.

Ms. Schachter says, “Today’s young people have a high level of social consciousness and want to play a direct role in positively impacting their communities.”

Ms. Emery adds, “Non-profit agencies can directly benefit from this terrific source of volunteer support. Teens and young adults bring new energy, wonderful skills in technology and the desire to help out. This is a win-win situation.”

Time will also be devoted to networking with other volunteer managers to share challenges and ideas.

Pre-registration to attend the free roundtable is required; the deadline for registration is September 17. For more information or to register, e-mail training@bergenvolunteers.org, or call (201) 489-9454, ext.114.

The mission of the Volunteer Center is to strengthen the community by connecting people with opportunities to serve, operating model volunteer programs, building capacity for effective volunteering, and participating in strategic partnerships that meet community needs.

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