

Neighborhood Services Department

The Neighborhood Services Department is comprised of three divisions: Housing, Code Enforcement, and Parks and Recreation.

Housing Division

The Housing Division of the Neighborhood Services Department is responsible for planning, facilitation and administration of the following programs and projects:

- Section 8 Rental Assistance
- Family Self-Sufficiency
- Fair Housing
- Single-Family Rehab Loan Program
- Mobilehome Grants Program
- Rental Rehabilitation
- Homeownership Assistance Programs
- Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program
- HOME Affordable Housing Development Program
- Healthy Cities Program (community gardens, nutrition/health education)
- Community Resource Centers (Chavez, Crown Heights, San Luis Rey and Libby Lake)
- Mobilehome Rent Control

Possible Volunteer/Intern Opportunities for the Housing Division:

- Intern Social Work student to work with families in the Section 8 Family Self Sufficiency Program to do monthly follow up and assist with resource referrals.
- Volunteer assistance in preparing a monthly Section 8 Newsletter for distribution to all Section 8 clients.
- Filing/Front Desk Assistance
- CDBG – Intern to assist with follow up on CDBG contracts. Call on late or missing items, site visits.
- Community Resource Centers – After school program volunteers for tutoring
- Bi-lingual volunteers for forms assistance.

Code Enforcement Division

The purpose of the City's Code Enforcement efforts is to assure compliance with the zoning ordinance and other code sections that are related to private property usage and which address promoting health, safety, property preservation and

community enhancement. The majority of Code Enforcement concerns involve substandard dwelling units, securing of dangerous or abandoned buildings, illegal encampments, inoperable and abandoned vehicles, graffiti, and accumulation of trash and debris.

Possible Volunteer Opportunities for the Code Enforcement Division:

- Graffiti identification and follow up
- Small sign abatement
- Alley monitoring
- Public counter/phone coverage
- Sign permit scanning/filing

Driving a City vehicle requires that the volunteer to be at least 18 years of age and have a current CA driver's license.

Parks and Recreation Division

The Parks & Recreation Services Division offers a wide variety of programs and services for people of all ages through the department's eight service areas: Youth Development, Sports and Athletics, Leisure Services, Aquatics, Senior Services, Special Events, and Cultural Arts. The Park Planning and Development Division is a vital component that does long-term planning of open space and addresses immediate park improvements for the enjoyment, safety and fulfillment of current and future users.

For Possible Volunteer Opportunities for the Parks and Recreation Division click the following link.

<http://www.ci.oceanside.ca.us/Datarelation.aspx?Content=90#live>