

# VOLUNTEERS

## MCCS OKINAWA VOLUNTEER MANAGEMENT PROGRAM NEWSLETTER

**DECEMBER 2025**

Welcome to the MCCS Okinawa Volunteer Management Program Newsletter, your monthly source for news, opportunities, and stories that celebrate the power of volunteering. Each month, we highlight the incredible efforts of our volunteers, share upcoming events and training, and connect you with ways to get involved in making a difference across our island community. Whether you are a long-time volunteer, a new participant, or an organization seeking support, this newsletter is here to inspire, inform, and help you take the next step in your volunteer journey.



### A Year of Volunteering: Celebrating the 2025 Volunteer Season



Throughout 2025, volunteers demonstrated an exceptional commitment to community service both on and off base. This year's efforts included supporting the annual Volunteer Expo, where volunteers connected with organizations across Okinawa to strengthen partnerships and promote service opportunities. Units also took part in multiple camp cleanup and beautification events, helping maintain safe, welcoming spaces for service members, families, and visitors.

Volunteers also showed their dedication to volunteering during a large-scale cleanup at the historic Hacksaw Ridge site, honoring the island's heritage through service and stewardship. Throughout the year, volunteers also supported local school activities, reinforcing ties with students, families, and educators.

Additionally, volunteers partnered with Okinawa Teen Lead and the Kubasaki National Honor Society to mentor youth leaders, support service-driven projects, and encourage the next generation of community-focused citizens.

These efforts reflect an enduring dedication to service, leadership, and building stronger communities—one project at a time



## By the Numbers 2025

Total Volunteer Hours: 11,882

Total Volunteers: 2,510

Join us in 2026—step up, volunteer, and be part of the positive change our community continues to build together.

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Upcoming opportunities to learn and give back to the community!

DATE	EVENT	DETAILS
Dec 6	Camp Kinser Beautification	0800-1100/ Camp Kinser volunteers will directly support the cleanness, appearance, safety and functionality of Camp Kinser.
Dec 13	Lester Middle School	0600-1000/ Lester Middle School (located on Camp Lester) is seeking 20 volunteers for their Christmas Village.
Dec 13	Zukeran Elementary	1130-1300/ Camp Foster, Zukeran Elementary School, Volunteers to help label the schools stairways.
Dec 20	Camp Kinser Beautification	0800-1100/ Camp Kinser volunteers will directly support the cleanness, appearance, safety and functionality of Camp Kinser.
Dec 22	Zukeran Elementary	0700-1100/ Zukeran Elementary School (located on Camp Foster) is seeking volunteers for their school Turkey Trot.

PLEASE SCAN ME FOR MORE DETAILS!



Questions? Send us an email:  
MCBB\_VOLUNTEER@USMC.MIL

## Training Opportunities

**Passport to Volunteer:** Is for those looking to learn how to turn your volunteer experience into résumé bullets. This training is also perfect if you are new to volunteering.

**Volunteer Ready:** Designed for those managing or supervising volunteers.

For more information, upcoming dates, and to register for training, scan the QR code or visit the MCCS Okinawa Volunteer Opportunities website at <https://www.okinawa.usmc-mccs.org/marine-family-support/volunteer-opportunities>.



## Get Involved

Be sure to visit the MCCS Okinawa Volunteer Opportunities webpage for other volunteer events, training and opportunities. We can connect you with opportunities that match your skills and passions. Whether short-term or ongoing, there's a place for you.

- MCCS Okinawa Volunteer Opportunities
- MCB Camp Butler Installation Service Providers



## Related Stories

Discover inspiring stories from volunteers making a difference across the Marine Corps. From supporting community events to lending a helping hand to those in need, these real-life experiences highlight the impact and heart of volunteer service. Read their stories and be inspired to start your own volunteer journey.



## Community Partners

Thank you to our local military units, community groups, on/off-base organizations, and individual donors for your ongoing support. If you know a community partner, whether on or off base, that has volunteer opportunities, please contact the MCCS Okinawa Volunteer Management Program Coordinator for assistance in making that connection.



## Contact Information

Volunteers are the heart of our community, and your dedication, time, and generosity continue to make an incredible difference across Okinawa. Whether you have given an hour or a hundred, your contributions create ripples of kindness that reach far beyond what you may see. Thank you for sharing your skills, energy, and compassion. For more information about how you can make a difference as a volunteer, or if you are an organization with volunteer opportunities, please contact the MCCS Okinawa Volunteer Management Program Coordinator.

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# VOLUNTEER READY

## 2026



**JAN  
08**

**CAMP FOSTER**  
BLDG 5679 | 1100-1200

**JUL  
20**

**CAMP FOSTER**  
BLDG 5679 | 1100-1200

**FEB  
12**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1230-1330

**AUG  
13**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1230-1330

**MAR  
05**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1230-1330

**SEP  
30**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1200-1300

**APR  
15**

**CAMP KINSER**  
BLDG 1220 | 1200-1300

**OCT  
22**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1200-1300

**MAY  
28**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1100-1200

**NOV  
17**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1100-1200

**JUN  
25**

**CAMP COURTNEY**  
BLDG 4425 | 1130-1230

**DEC  
22**

**VIRTUAL TRAINING**  
1130-1230

Please note the link for Virtual training will be emailed 24hrs prior to the class start time.

**TO SIGN UP PLEASE EMAIL:  
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For special accommodations please call: 645-1575



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## *Training Dates*

11:30 AM

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12:20 PM

**JANUARY 8, 2026**

Camp Foster Bldg. 445 Room 201

11:00 AM

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12:00 PM

**FEBRUARY 10, 2026**

Camp Kinser Bldg. 1220

11:00 AM

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12:00 PM

**MARCH 12, 2026**

Camp Hansen Bldg. 2339

12:00 PM

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1:00 PM

**APRIL 7, 2026**

Virtual Training on Teams

12:30 PM

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**MAY 8, 2026**

Virtual Training on Teams

11:30 AM

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12:30 PM

**JUNE 4, 2026**

Camp Courtney Bldg. 4425

11:30 AM

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**JULY 8, 2026**

Virtual Training on Teams





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## *Training Dates*

**11:00 AM  
- 12:30  
PM**

**AUGUST 11, 2026**

**Camp Foster Bldg. 445 Room 201**

**11:00 AM  
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12:00 PM**

**SEPTEMBER 10, 2026**

**Camp Kinser Bldg. 1220**

**11:00 AM  
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12:00 PM**

**OCTOBER 7, 2026**

**Camp Hansen Bldg. 2339**

**12:30 PM  
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1:00 PM**

**NOVEMBER 4, 2026**

**Virtual Training on Teams**

**12:30 PM  
-  
1:30 PM**

**DECEMBER 3, 2026**

**Virtual Training on Teams**



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