

Cards of Hope & Gratitude to Essential Workers

Community Service

One (1) hour of community service for every five (5) cards you send to an essential worker.

Maximum credit for this project: Three (3) hours per newsletter season, which equals fifteen (15) cards/letters. You may repeat this project each newsletter season: Winter (Dec/Jan/Feb); Spring (March/April/May); Summer (June/July/Aug); Fall (Sept/Oct/Nov) for the maximum credit.

In order to receive community service, you must take one picture of all your finished work before sending your cards to the appropriate address. Email the picture to help@hauppaugelibrary.org with the subject line: **Volunteer Cards of Hope.** Include your full name, phone number, and grade level in the body of the email.

You should receive an email notification of your community service from the Hauppauge Public Library within 5 days.

Important: When taking photos, be mindful of the background. Try not to get personally identifying information in the shot. **Please don't share personal info in your cards either.** Signing "John from Hauppauge" or "a friend" is better than using your full name or contact info on the items being sent.

Community Service for Teens in Grades 6-12

1) Healthcare facilities (hospitals, nursing homes & assisted living facilities): for nurses, doctors, kitchen staff, custodial staff, security guards and/or patients currently in the hospital.

For hospital staff and/or patients

Stony Brook University Hospital
Attn: Hospital Staff
(or Attn: Patient @ Stony Brook Hospital)
100 Nicolls Road
Stony Brook, NY 11794
Or email Darleen.Smith@stonybrookmedicine.edu

Mather Hospital
Attn: Public Affairs
75 North Country Road
Port Jefferson, NY 11777
Or email csantini@northwell.edu

For hospital staff only

Good Samaritan Hospital Medical Center
Attn: Our Healthcare Heroes
1000 Montauk Highway
West Islip, NY 11795

For facility staff and/or residents

The Arbors Assisted Living @ Hauppauge
Attn: Arbors Staff
(or Attn: Resident @ the Arbors)
1740 Expressway Drive South
Hauppauge, NY 11788

Please do not use the term "patients" for residents!

The Arbors Assisted Living @ Islandia (East/West)
Attn: Arbors Staff
(or Attn: Resident @ the Arbors)
1515 Veterans Memorial Highway
Islandia, NY 11749

2) First Responders: EMTs, firefighters, military, police, American Red Cross, etc. Your choice!

3) Restaurants/Supermarkets/Mass Transportation/Postal Workers/Delivery Drivers/Sanitation Workers: Any establishment that has been deemed essential and is currently open. Your choice!

This list is not complete by any means, but instead serves as a sample. If you know of another person/place/organization where you'd like to send cards, go for it! Just check beforehand to make sure they are accepting mail of this kind.