

Parents, please see below forwarded message from Groundwork Bridgeport. Another great opportunity for our students:

I am writing to let you know about an after-school program with [Groundwork Bridgeport](#) that might be of interest to students from your high school. This is a **free** service-learning program that provides a modest stipend to program participants upon successful completion of the program. The fall session will start the week of October 4th and run for 8-weeks, meeting from 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm two days per week. Students will spend the first 4-5 weeks in interactive sessions and the final three weeks developing civic-engagement projects in small groups. It will be a hybrid program with a mix of in-person and online learning.

Students will learn from staff, from each other, and from professionals in a variety of fields, developing their knowledge and skills in natural resource stewardship, history, placemaking, color theory, storytelling, horticulture, spatial analysis and design. They will then work in teams to develop their own civic-engagement project concepts, which they will present as pitches at the end of the program.

We would appreciate it if you would pass along this information to your students. The online application to apply is found here: <https://groundwork.slideroom.com/#/login/program/60711>

\*Please note: Students may need to create an account on SlideRoom in order to submit an application.

To sum up, the basic details to know and share with students:

- **Duration:** 8-week service-learning program that meets twice a week on Monday & Wednesday or Tuesday & Thursday.
- **Type:** \*Paid service-learning program (program participants receive a stipend upon successful completion of the service-learning program). Typically the stipend for our service-learning program ranges from \$100 - \$250.  
\*Please note (if students ask) that this program is most similar to an enrichment program. It is not a job that provides a weekly paycheck. The stipend is awarded after the program has concluded and only if the program participant successfully completes the program.
- **Start Date:** Week of October 4th
- **End Date:** Week of November 29th (tentative date)
- **Meeting Time/Location:** 3:30 pm to 6:00 pm. The program will meet in-person at our office located at 1001 Main Street, Suite 18, Bridgeport, CT 06604 and online via Zoom.
- **Application link:** <https://groundwork.slideroom.com/#/login/program/60711>

Feel free to reach out to me at 203-335-6126 ext. 3 if you have any questions about our service-learning program.

All the best,  
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