Thank you for your interest in volunteering with After School Matters®, where our mission is to provide Chicago public high school teens opportunities to explore and develop their talents, while gaining critical skills for work, college and beyond. We offer opportunities to engage our teens during program sessions (fall, spring, and summer) on a monthly, quarterly, semi-annual, and annual basis.

Below are ways your group can make an impact on the lives of Chicago’s teens:

**Host a Mock-Interview & Resume-Writing Workshop**

This workshop offers teens an opportunity to:
- Identify their skills and experiences for colleges and employers;
- Review, present, and edit their resumes to industry professionals; and
- Practice interview questions/answers and review best practices.

**Host an Office Tour, Q & A Discussion and/or Workshop on Specific Career Fields**

This opportunity gives teens the chance to:
- Conceptualize and learn about careers in new fields;
- Network with industry professionals; and
- Learn from industry professionals about the various educational and career paths that led them to their current position.

**Host a Skill-Specific Workshop**

This workshop offers teens an opportunity to:
- Learn best practices on specific content areas: Arts, Communications & Leadership, Sports, and STEM;
- Receive insight into educational and career pathways; and
- Network with industry professionals.
Partner with Teens on an Urban Gardening Project

This project offers teens a unique way to:

- Boost their team-building skills;
- Network with industry professionals; and
- Give back in a meaningful way to their community.

***Opportunity to split volunteers into groups and visit various gardens across the city. Gardening programs run in late spring and summer***

Sponsor a Chicago Teen for a Life Changing Opportunity

You can give teens a future by:

- Making After School Matters a part of your employee giving
- Running a jeans day for After School Matters
- Give your change to make a change
- Sponsor an ASM event
- Host a pop-up After School Matters gift shop

“I am so glad I am able to share some of my knowledge I gained from college and work with someone who is willing to learn and grow. Every After School Matters activity I have attended has been wonderful and very inspiring!”

- Brittany, Corporate Volunteer from Barry Callebaut

“To date, the teens are still talking about how great of a time they had at the workshop. The teens felt empowered and reassured of their self-esteem. Opportunities as such help keep the teens focused and remind them of their purpose.”

- Evelyn, Instructor of You got Served Culinary Program

We would love to learn more about your group and get you engaged in a meaningful volunteer experience with our teen programs. Please take a few minutes to complete our online Group Volunteer Application, and we will send a follow-up email. Have questions? Feel free to email us at asm.volunteers@afterschoolmatters.org.