Volunteer Opportunities

Recycling Activities – Volunteer Job Description

The Kinderhook Memorial Library works in partnership with the Village of Kinderhook Climate Smart Task Force on several recycling initiatives, including:

- **CLYNK**: The CLYNK Program provides easy and convenient recycling of bottles and cans (anything that has a deposit). The Program reduces beverage container waste in our community and helps Friends support the Library.

- **NexTrex Plastic Film Recycling Challenge**: The Library collects soft film plastics and packaging (bubble wrap, plastic bags, wrapping, etc.) to reduce plastic waste in our community. When a team collects more than 1,000 lbs of soft film plastics and packaging within a 12-month span, Trex will award a Trex furniture bench to the organization.

- **Battery Recycling with the Big Green Box**: This nationwide battery recycling program offers an easy way to recycle batteries and portable handheld electronics.

Who are we looking for:

Volunteers to help label and stock CLYNK bags in the box at the Library. Volunteers who are outgoing and able to engage the public in conversation about the CLYNK program at various events.

Volunteers to collect bags of plastic film (NexTrex Recycling Challenge) at the library and transport to collection destination at Hannaford Valatie.

Volunteers to help package batteries (Battery Recycling with the Big Green Box) for collection.

**Availability/Commitment**: Volunteers should anticipate volunteering 1-3 hours per month.

**Activities**: Activities may include:

- Monitoring inventory of CLYNK bags at the library
- Labeling and stocking CLYNK bags in the box at the library
- Setting up and staffing a popup displays about the recycling programs
- Collecting plastic for recycling at the library and transporting to Hannaford, Valatie
- Packaging batteries for collection
- Working in collaboration with other Friends’ teams/team members/Executive Council members as well as library staff and Board Trustees

**Interested in volunteering** – email us at friends@kinderhooklibrary.org and let us know more about your experience. Please put Recycling in the Subject line of your email.

Looking forward to hearing from you!