

## How to Get Involved

- Complete the OAR Volunteer Application
- Attend an Orientation
- Observe our current volunteers in action
- Observe courses taught inside the jail
- Facilitate/Co-Facilitate a course
- Attend in-service training

## Current Volunteer Opportunities

- Post-Release Education Program (PREP) Program
- JASPERS: Juvenile Program
- Arlington Jail Facilitators
- Special Event Volunteers
- Internships
- Administrative Volunteers
- Technology and Communications
- OAR Community Service Program for Youth
- Mentors
- Tutors
- Curriculum Developers
- Faith-Based Initiative Teams
- Advocacy
- Many more!

**“I have been personally rewarded by working as a volunteer. I am impressed by the dedication and personal skills of all the team members I have worked with.”**

**–OAR Volunteer**

## Donations

Please consider making a tax-deductible donation to support the good work of OAR. Or, visit [www.OARonline.org](http://www.OARonline.org) to make a secure online contribution. You can send checks made payable to OAR to the mailing address below, or you can contribute through:



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Serving the County of Arlington and the Cities  
of Alexandria and Falls Church in Virginia, and  
Washington DC

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# OAR's Volunteer Program

## OAR Mission

OAR, a community-based restorative justice organization, blends compassion and accountability to assist offenders in leading productive and responsible lives, to the benefit of all.

## OAR History and Purpose

The OAR movement began in 1968 when a group of concerned citizens led by Jay Worrell, Jr. responded to a prison riot in Charlottesville, Virginia. These citizens envisioned a criminal justice system in which restorative justice was the driving force. Two themes that permeate restorative justice are individual responsibility and the unique role of the community. Restorative justice personalizes the law by proposing that crime is a violation of both the victim and the community. Both have suffered and both must be healed.

## Time Commitment

Volunteering with OAR is a flexible opportunity for you, the volunteer. Some volunteers contribute hours on a daily basis, some weekly, some monthly, and some once a year. We appreciate your time and value your contributions, which is why volunteering with OAR is a flexible schedule.

## The Impact of Volunteers!

OAR is proud to have an amazing group of volunteers who serve clients in a number of ways. These individuals are caring members of our community, they go into the detention centers to teach and tutor, provide post-release instruction and mentoring, create and update curricula, and assist at OAR events. Volunteers bring hope to so many of our clients who have been largely forgotten by society, by their friends, and even by their families. Our volunteers bring a positive attitude, encouragement, wisdom and a vast array of skills that brighten and enhance the lives of our clients daily. **235 volunteers contributed 4,851 hours for FY09!** Our volunteers are the backbone of our organization.

**“While working at OAR, I was able to see the promise that this population has. Helping someone meet their potential is something truly inspiring. Our clients are amazing people that will, with our help, accomplish their dreams.”**  
-OAR Intern

**“Volunteering each week for several months, I have been able to actually see lives being turned around and feel a growing sense of hope where there once was none.”**  
-OAR Volunteer

## Location

OAR has two offices- one in Arlington, Virginia and one in the District/ Washington, DC. The programs are different but the mission is the same.

The Arlington, Virginia office is located at : 1400 N. Uhle St. Suite 704, Arlington, Virginia 22201.

One block from the Courthouse Metro stop on the Orange Line.

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The District/ Washington, DC office is located at: 3124 Georgia Ave, NW, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Washington, DC 20010.

Near the Georgia Avenue and Columbia Heights metro stops, on the Green/Yellow Line.

## Contact Us

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