

The Warrior Outreach Program

Contribution, Connection, Community

The Arapahoe Youth Hockey Travel and Recreation leaders and its member organizations/teams believe it is our responsibility that participation includes more than just playing hockey and spectating. Life skills must be a part of the equation to building well-rounded young people. As a part of that effort, the association sponsors Team community services activities throughout the season to help build social awareness and consciousness in our youth athletes.

The Arapahoe Youth Hockey program has 250 coaches and over 1,000 players just within the Warrior programs. Our facilities (the Sports Complex and the Family Sports Center) serves a Tier I program, 9 High School teams, 75+ youth hockey teams, 90 + in house adult teams, over 300 figure skaters and 1,000s of Learn to play/skate players. The SSPRD ice facilities are host to hundreds of tournaments and events year round. The importance of community service lies in the fact that it connects us to the community by improving it, and making it a better place for all of us to live in.

Volunteering and community service provides you with a perfect opportunity to become closer to the community you live in. Community service broadens your horizons by helping you understand the needs and the challenges South Suburban Parks and Recreations Department staff are having when it comes to keeping the Sports Complex and Sports Center clean, functional and prosperous. It does not only have positive effects on SSPRD and AYHL, but it will bring benefits to your life and personal development. Community Service helps establish a connection and friendships. The easiest way to bond with your teammates is through activities you perform together. Meaningful youth engagement increases the sense of ownership and attachment for young generations in the community. This develops positive relationships with others and builds deep emotions with teammates, their home facilities and their community.

The Warrior outreach program offers each AYHL team the opportunity to give back to their hockey community by volunteering at events like; Mile High Mite's, Try Hockey For Free events, Mite Nights, Mite Skill Competitions, cleaning locker rooms, benches, stands, hockey equipment holding areas, etc.

The Warrior Outreach Program provides opportunities for each team to donate 3-4 hours of service back to the community. Team Managers should contact the ice office to schedule their team's service events with dates and times in mind.

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