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Volunteer Center Presents Leadership Workshop to Emerson High School Students

Emerson: On May 22, the Volunteer Center of Bergen County presented a Student Leadership Workshop for 42 student leaders from Emerson High School's Student Council and student service clubs. The enthusiastic youth leaders spent the day working on leadership styles, team building and service planning, all for the benefit of the varied clubs and student government at their school.

Students in grades 9-12 took a look at their current club and organization activities and began to brainstorm ways in which they could reach out to and get more involvement from their peers. The workshop included presentations, discussion and a variety of hands-on activities designed to explore leadership styles, working as part of a team and creative problem solving.

Under the direction of Debbie Emery, Director of Community Volunteer Services for the Volunteer Center of Bergen County, the teens looked at their personal strengths, goals and areas for improvement. Their ultimate goal is to create a more unified, while still diverse, student body, working together to make a greater impact in promoting care and concern for their community and future.

"Teens are creative and excited about generating change and strengthening their school, their community and ultimately their world, stated Debbie Emery." "We had a wonderful day working and dreaming and thinking out of the box."

To find out more about the Volunteer Center's youth service learning and leadership programs, including the summer program Ready Set Serve, visit bergenvolunteers.org or contact Debbie Emery at 201-489-9454, ext. 118 or demery@bergenvolunteers.org.

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