

Bainbridge Island Municipal Court- Community Service Hours

Community Service In Lieu of Jail

If you have been ordered to complete community service hours for jail, you must complete these hours by the deadline on the court order. Credit for jail time is 8 hours per 1 day of jail. Forms must be turned in monthly for verification. Use one form per agency. Any hours not completed will be converted back to jail time for you to serve. If you fail to complete the hours and fail to report for your review hearing, a warrant will issue for your arrest, and you will not have another opportunity to complete the hours. You will serve your jail sentence upon your arrest.

If there are circumstances that prevent you from completing your community service in lieu of jail, you must communicate with the court by speaking with or emailing the clerk and scheduling a hearing to speak to the Judge.

Community Service in Lieu of Fines

If you are indigent or on a limited income, you may ask the Judge to do community service work to earn money towards your fines. You will earn \$20 per hour, credited towards your fines, for community service performed and verified. You will be given a deadline to complete the hours. If you fail to complete the hours (fully or partially), you will be required to pay the fine. An unpaid fine will be turned over to collections after 60 days.

Where May I Perform Community Service?

You may perform community service at any non-profit agency. It may be in a city near your work or home. It does not have to be on Bainbridge Island. You may not perform community service at a for-profit business, such a retail shop, or for an individual (unless arranged and verified through a non-profit).

The non-profit must be aware of why you are performing community service (jail or fines), what your underlying offense is and be willing to verify your hours with Bainbridge Island Municipal Court when the clerk calls to confirm. If the clerk is unable to confirm the hours, you will not earn credit for those hours.

You may need to perform your community service at more than one agency to fulfill your hours. It is your responsibility to organize and arrange this.

Where Do I Send My Hours?

It is your responsibility to turn in hours (not the non-profit agency). You may make multiple copies of the community service hours form. Mail, drop off, or scan and email your form to the Bainbridge Island Municipal Court Clerk at 8804 Madison Ave N, Suite 200, Bainbridge Island, WA 98110, or email address: court@bainbridgewa.gov. It is your responsibility to confirm that the hours are received.

Fill out the sheet completely. Retain a copy for yourself before turning in form.

Suggested Local Non-Profit Agencies

- **Bainbridge Island Chamber of Commerce**
206-842-3700
- **Bainbridge Island Parks District**
206-310-3797
- **Coffee Oasis** (if you are under 25)
360-598-2091
- **Habitat for Humanity**
360-479-3853 (No Theft or Assault charges)
- **Bremerton Foodline**
360-479-6188
- **Kingston Food Bank**
360-297-2266
- **Kitsap Humane Society**
360-692-6977 ext. 1119
- **Fishline Food Bank**
360-779-5190
- **Poulsbo Parks and Recreation**
360-779-9898
- **St. Vincent De Paul Food Bank**
360-479-7017 (No theft or DV charges)
- **Westsound Wildlife Shelter**
206-855-9057