# Called to Serve: Discovering the Service Worker's Role

## Workshop description

This workshop invites participants to explore the nature of what it means to serve those in need, particularly those devalued by society. The workshop covers the following topics:

- > The Social, Cultural, & Historical Contexts of Service to Others
- Lessons Learned from These Different Contexts of Service
- Principles of Service to Others
- ▶ Guidelines & Strategies for Service
- ▶ Blocks to Providing Relevant & Effective Service to Others
- Fruits of Offering Relevant & Effective Service

This workshop is based on the work of Dr. Wolfensberger of Syracuse University, who developed Social Role Valorization, a coherent set of ideas for addressing devaluation.

## Workshop format

This workshop can be taught as a one-day workshop (typical schedule 9 am to 4 pm) or as a three-part series (each part is 2 hours).

#### About the presenter

Marc Tumeinski is the Training Coordinator for the Social Role Valorization Implementation Project in Worcester. He has taught workshops, spoken at conferences, & conducted program evaluations in the US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, & the Netherlands, all based on the work of Dr. Wolfensberger of Syracuse University. He consults on the topic of human service restraint use. As a service worker, he has supported children & adults with physical & intellectual impairments at home, school & work. Marc & his wife Jo Massarelli offer hospitality in their home to poor & homeless people.

#### For more information

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