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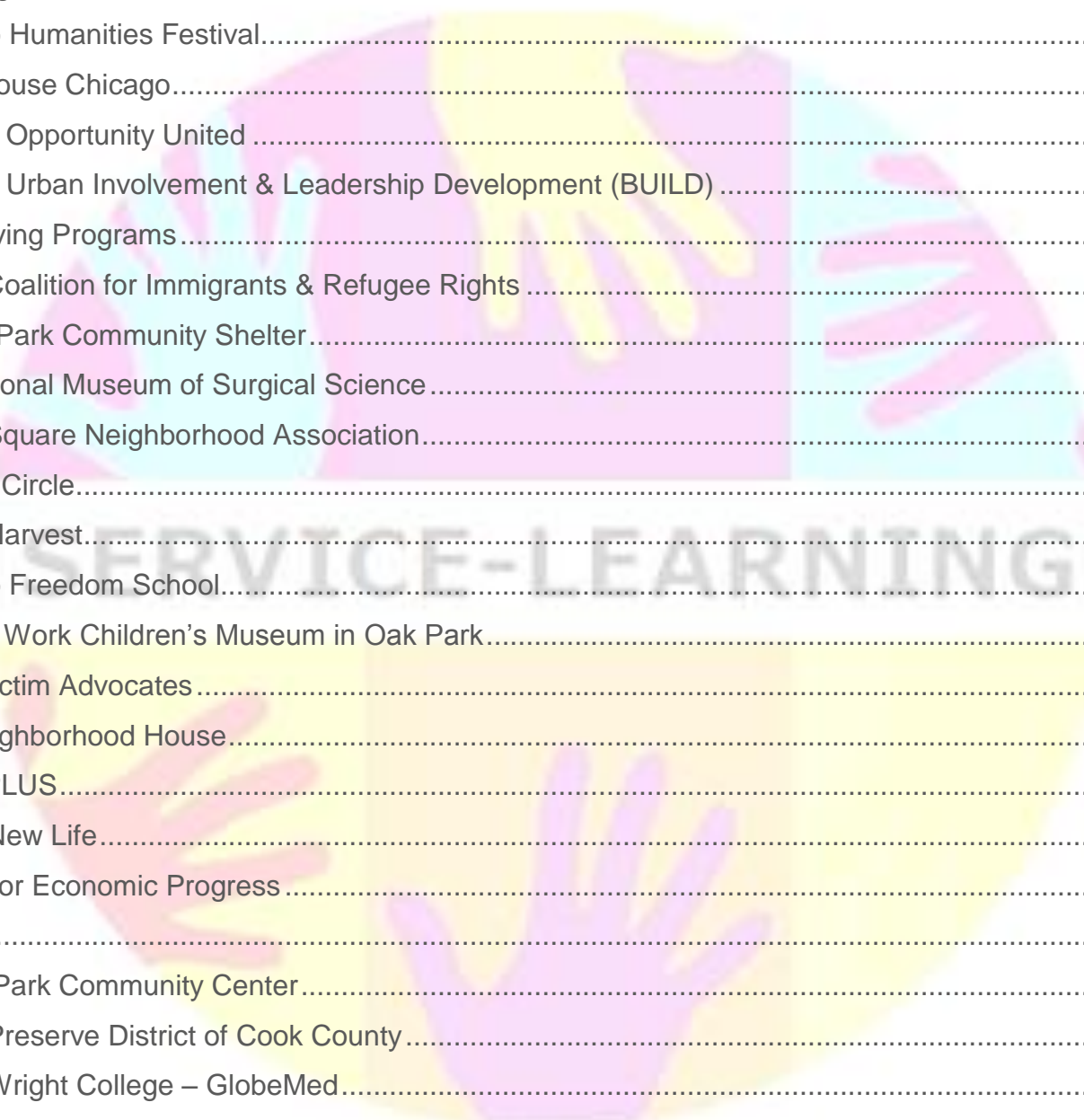
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Cambodian Association of Illinois

Mission:

CAI has built a strong mission, with Board Officers, staff, emeritus and community leaders working collaboratively to enable refugees and immigrants from Cambodia to become self-sufficient, productive participants in American society, while still preserving their cultural heritage and community. CAI also provides services to non-Cambodians with diverse cultural and socioeconomic backgrounds who are from local neighborhoods.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteers in Visitor services welcome visitors and provide them with an exceptional experience of the Memorial and Museum.
- They engage visitors, informing them of the programs and exhibitions available. They will help direct visits and provide information on Museum information. This role is based in the Museum and Memorial.

Volunteer Requirements:

- Must have compassion, patience, integrity, and have excellent communication skills.
- Application

Locations:

2831 W. Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, IL

Website Address:

<http://www.cai-nationalmuseum.org/en/get-involved/21/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 878-7090

Polish American Association

Mission:

The mission of the Polish American Association, a human service agency, is to serve diverse needs of the Polish community in the Chicago metro area by providing resources for changing lives, with emphasis on assisting immigrants.

Volunteer Needs:

- Office help
- ESL
- Fundraising events
- Interpreters
- Food pantry
- Immigration

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

3834 N. Cicero Ave.
Chicago, Illinois, 60641

6276 W. Archer Ave.
Chicago, Illinois, 60638 (South Side)

Website Address:

<https://www.polish.org/en/donate/volunteers>

Contact Information:

Phone (Cicero location): (773) 282-8206

Phone (Archer location): (773) 767-7773

volunteers@polish.org

The Morton Arboretum

Mission:

The mission of the Morton Arboretum is to collect and study trees, and other plants around the world. The Arboretum maintains living collections on display across naturally beautiful landscapes for people to study and enjoy, and learn how to grow them in ways that enhance the environment.

Volunteer Needs:

- Bike Safety Patrol Volunteer
- Trail Patrol Volunteer
- Collections and Display Gardens Volunteer
- Natural Area Volunteers

Volunteer Requirements:

- Must be at least 18 years old and must carry a state-issued photo ID.
- Certification in Basic First Aid/CPR preferred.
- Provide own bicycle and safety equipment (for the Bike Patrol Volunteer position only)
- Willing to make a weekly commitment from April- October (for the Collections and Display Gardens Volunteers only).

Locations:

4100 Illinois Route 53
Lisle, IL 60532

Website Address:

<http://www.mortonarb.org/join-support/volunteer>

Contact Information:

Phone: (630) 968-0074
volunteer@mortonarb.org

The Night Ministry

Mission:

The Night Ministry is a Chicago-based organization that works to provide housing, health care and human connection to members of our community struggling with poverty or homelessness. With an open heart and an open mind, we accept people as they are and work to address their immediate physical, emotional and social needs while affirming their sense of humanity.

Volunteer Needs:

- For individuals interested in volunteering with the Crib, the Health Outreach Bus or the Open Door Shelter-West Town.

Volunteer Requirements:

- Must be at least 21 years old and able to volunteer twice a month for a minimum of four months.
- Background check, references and other paperwork must be completed.
- Volunteer Core Training

Locations:

4711 N. Ravenswood Ave.
Chicago, IL 60640

Website Address:

http://thenightministry.org/002_volunteer/

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 784-9000

volunteering@thenightministry.org

Open Books

Mission:

Since our founding, Open Books has worked directly with tens of thousands of students and reached hundreds of thousands more through our book grant programs, community events, and literacy partnerships. At Open Books we focus on the transformative impact of literacy through reading and writing programs, special events, team growth and volunteer engagement.

Volunteer Needs:

- Reading Buddy Volunteer
- ReadThenWrite Volunteer
- Creative Writing Workshop Volunteer
- Publishing Academy Volunteer
- West Loop Bookstore
- Pilsen Bookstore and Warehouse

Volunteer Requirements:

- Volunteers must attend an orientation.
- Background check, and attend any related trainings for the program they choose to volunteer with.
- Time commitments vary depending on position

Locations:

Locations vary depending on position in select schools across the city and Open Books West Loop location.

Creative Writing Workshops, Publishing Academy, and West Loop Bookstore are located at our main office in the West Loop at 651 W. Lake St., our Pilsen Bookstore and Warehouse is located in Pilsen at 905 W 19th St.; all other program sites are held across the city at CPS school sites.

Website Address:

<http://www.open-books.org/vol/>

Contact Information:

volunteer@open-books.org

Phone: (312) 475-1355 Ext. 119

New Horizon Center

Mission:

The fundamental concept on which New Horizon Center was founded and remains to this day is that all children, regardless of their needs, have a right to an appropriate education and that every individual must be given the opportunity to achieve maximum independence.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://www.newhorizoncenter.org/>

<http://www.jotformpro.com/form/10755447785>

Contact Information:

Second Sense

Mission:

Second Sense inspires individuals to move beyond vision loss and believe in their abilities. Through client-centered support and training, they learn new skills, build confidence and realize their value in our community. Together we are changing society's perception of human potential.

Volunteer Needs:

- Front Desk Receptionist
- Social Media Assistant
- Survey Administrator

Volunteer Requirements:

- Interview required
- Orientation and training specific to position
- Commit to at least three months of volunteer service

Address/Locations:

65 E. Wacker Place
Chicago, IL 60601

Website Address:

<http://www.second-sense.org/help/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 236-8569

kathya@guildfortheblind.org

Theatre Hikes-Chicago

Mission:

The specific purposes for which Theatre-Hikes is formed are for establishing and maintaining the theatrical performances combined with hiking, offering an event that travels to various locations; and as most performing will be outdoors, Theatre-Hikes hopes to nurture in the public, a respect for the preservation of hiking trails and the local, city, county, state and national parks where these trails can be found.

Theatre-Hikes will seek to involve diverse populations in its staff, board members, volunteers and audiences. It will have a strong commitment to use actors who are members of Actors' Equity Association (AEA), the union of professional actors stage managers. Theatre-Hikes will compensate all staff and actors who are not members of AEA.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

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Website Address:

<http://www.theatre-hikes.org/donate.html>

Contact Information:

Chicago Council on Science & Technology

Mission:

The Chicago Council on Science and Technology's mission is to enhance the public's understanding and appreciation of science and technology and their impact on society.

In establishing the Chicago Council on Science and Technology in 2006, the founders sought to bring the Chicago's scientific leaders – academic, corporate, government, museums, universities and national laboratories- to provide a forum for the discussion of current issues of scientific interest.

Volunteer Needs:

- Administration
- Events
- Field work/Flyers
- Fundraising
- Deliveries
- Phone bank
- Newsletter production
- Volunteer coordinator

Volunteer Requirements:

- Application

Locations:

Illinois Institute of Technology
10 W. 35th St, 10th Floor
Chicago, IL 60616

Website Address:

<http://www.c2st.org/community>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 567- 5835

jweisensell@c2st.org

USO of Illinois

Mission:

The mission of the USO is to strengthen America's military service members by keeping them connected to family, home and country, throughout their service to the nation.

Volunteer Needs:

- Greeting troops or military families and checking ID's for access into the facility
- Providing assistance to guests within the USO Center as needed
- Supervising all activities within the USO Center

Volunteer Requirements:

- Complete and submit the online Volunteer Interest Application Form.
- Attend and successfully complete a USO of Illinois Center Location Volunteer Orientation and Training Session (hosted year-round as needed at each Center).
- Be a minimum of 18 years of age to volunteer at a USO of Illinois Center Location, unless accompanied by a legal parent or guardian.
- Be willing to submit and have approved a background check as required by the City of Chicago and the Department of Aviation to be issued an airport security badge to be considered for volunteer shifts behind Airport Security at the USO American Airlines Cyber Canteen at O'Hare and USO Midway locations.
- Be willing to apply for and successfully qualify to receive a Great Lake Naval Training Station base pass, or currently have a base-issued pass to gain access and entry on the Great Lakes Naval Training Station military facility.

Locations:

Location will vary according to different USO Centers

Website Address:

<http://usoofillinois.org/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 822-6699

Youth Guidance

Mission:

Youth Guidance creates and implements school-based programs that enable at-risk children to overcome obstacles, focus on their education and, ultimately, succeed in school and in life.

Volunteer Needs:

- CAP After School Instructor
- CAP After School Assistant
- CAP After school Monitor
- Career Awareness Speaker

Volunteer Requirements:

- Volunteers must be 18 or older
- Submit an application form with two references
- Undergo a DCFS background check and fingerprinting
- Attend an interview with Youth Guidance staff at their selected school site, and complete a brief on-site training on the first day of volunteering.
- School-based volunteers keep a regular schedule, which is generally one volunteer shift per week. Most shifts are 1-3 hours long and occur during regular weekday business hours. Shifts are “fixed” (same placement, same time, same day each week).
- Generally, volunteer positions require committing to one shift per week over the course of a school semester (i.e. October to December, or February to May), however depending on the position the time commitment can vary

Locations:

Locations will vary depending on school selection

Website Address:

<https://www.youth-guidance.org/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

volunteer@youth-guidance.org

Des Plaines River Valley Restoration Project

Mission:

Our mission is to work in sites in the western suburbs of Chicago to restore natural habitat in Cook County Forest Preserves and to educate the public about restoration practices in Cook County.

Volunteer Needs:

- Forest Restoration, which includes cutting down invasive trees and shrubs, pulling invasive weeds, and collecting seeds of native plants.

Volunteer Requirements:

- No experience is required
- Volunteers should dress for the weather, wear sturdy shoes, and bring garden or work gloves if you have them (we have extras if needed).

Locations:

Our project, the Des Plaines River Valley Restoration Project, has a number of different locations. They range from Kloempken Prairie, near Oakton Community College in Des Plaines, to Robinson and Schiller Woods on Des Plaines River Road on Lawrence or Irving Park, to sites in the western suburbs and as far south as Theodore Stone Woods, at 67th Street and LaGrange Road.

Website Address:

<http://www.restoringnature.org/contact.html>

Contact Information:

Phone: (708) 485-2296

davelloyd@mindspring.com

Feed My Starving Children

Mission:

Feeding God's Starving Children Hungry in Body and Spirit

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteers to pack meals

Volunteer Requirements:

- Orientation with packing instructions

Locations:

742 E. Park Ave (Hwy 176)
Libertyville, IL 60048

1072 National Parkway
Schaumburg, IL 60173

555 Exchange Court
Aurora, IL 60504

Website Address:

<https://www.fmssc.org/volunteer>

Contact Information:

Phone (763) 252-6341

Phone (Libertyville): (847) 984-3846

Phone (Schaumburg): (847) 519-9614

Phone (Aurora): (630) 851-0404

Friends of the Park

Mission:

Friends of the Parks is a 40-year old non-profit organization whose mission to preserve, protect, improve and promote the use of parks and open spaces throughout the Chicago area for the enjoyment of all residents and visitors.

Volunteer Needs:

- Trail Maintenance
- Invasive Species Removal
- Litter Clean up
- LATE Ride Volunteers

Volunteer Requirements:

- No background checks required.

Address/Locations:

Dunning Read Conservation Area
4200 N. Oak Park
Chicago, IL 60634

Website Address:

<https://fotp.org/get-involved?gift=1>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 857-2757
KleinK@fotp.org

Gads Hill Center

Mission:

Since 1898. Gads Hill Center creates opportunities for children and their families to build a better life through education, access to resources and community engagement.

Volunteer Needs:

- We are in need of tutors in subjects such as math, reading, science, etc.
- Individuals willing to offer an enrichment series module in their area of expertise
- One- time volunteers in service days, events, and fundraisers.
- Weekly classroom support for Early Childhood Education Programs

Volunteer Requirements:

- Individuals seeking to volunteer with GHC on a long-term basis, must clear a background check, and must complete a physical test with TB testing. This is not required for one-time volunteers or short term volunteers (Less than 5 days of service within one year).
- Individuals seeking to volunteer in the Early Childhood Education Programs (children 0-5 yrs old) must commit to volunteering once a week for 3+ months.

Locations:

1919 W. Cullerton St.
Chicago, IL 60608

Website Address:

<http://www.gadshillcenter.org/volunteer.html>

Contact Information:

Stephanie Arevalo
(312) 226-0963 Ext. 240
volunteer@gadshillcenter.org

Green Star Movement

Mission:

Our mission is to inspire students and community members through the creation of public art.

Volunteer Needs:

- Program Volunteers

Volunteer Requirements:

- Green Star Movement volunteers must be at least 18 years old. No previous arts experience is necessary.
- Volunteers must agree to our volunteer policies and sign off a wavier/media release. Depending on the volunteer commitment and site location, a background check may be required.
- We request but do not require that each of our volunteers commit to a minimum (average) of 10 hours of service each month. Volunteer hours are flexible. However, once you have agreed to be available for a particular shift, we count on you to be there. In the event that you are unable to be at your shift, please contact the lead Teaching Artist at the project site.

Locations:

Site location may vary

Website Address:

<http://greenstarmovement.org/get-involved/>

Contact Information:

volunteer@greenstarmovement.org

Heartland Alliance

Mission:

Heartland Alliance advances the human rights and responds to the human needs of endangered populations-particularly the poor, the isolated, and the displaced-through the provision of comprehensive and respectful services and the promotion of permanent solutions leading to a more just global society.

Volunteer Needs:

- Tutoring/Teaching/Mentoring
- ESL training
- Translation/Interpretation
- Workshop assistance
- Child care
- Transportation/Accompaniment
- Pantry/Meal delivery
- Administrative
- Mailings/Office support
- Computer work/Data entry
- Special events/Project

Additional opportunities are available to accommodate individual and group needs

Volunteer Requirements:

- Application, two references needed

Locations:

Location will vary depending on position. Please see website below for additional information.

Website Address:

<https://www.heartlandalliance.org/how-you-can-help/volunteer-with-heartland-alliance/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 660-1639

sberkhia@heartlandalliance.org

The Honeycomb Project

Mission:

Mission is to engage, mobilize and inspire kids and their families to strength Chicago's communities through public service- while learning first-hand about important social issues.

Volunteer Needs:

- Event Coordinators

Volunteer Requirements:

- Minimum commitment- at least once a month with a minimum commitment of 4 months.
- Event management/program management/coaching or teaching experience preferred
- Experience working with children or families preferred
- Enjoy hands-on projects such as gardening, cooking and crafting.
- Must have reliable transportation
- Background check required

Locations:

Location varies according to event. Please see website below.

Website Address:

<http://thehoneycombproject.org/get-involved/>

Contact Information:

Karen Steele

(312) 523-3842

Illinois Holocaust Museum

Mission:

The mission of the Illinois Holocaust Museum and Education Center is perhaps best expressed in our founding principle: Remember the Past, Transform the Future. The Museum is dedicated to preserving the legacy of the Holocaust by honoring the memories of those who were lost and by teaching universal lessons that combat hatred, prejudice and indifference. The Museum fulfills its mission through the exhibition, preservation and interpretation of its collections and through education programs and initiatives that foster the promotion of human rights and the elimination of genocide.

Volunteer Needs:

- Visitor Services volunteers
- Docents (Position requires 10 day training)

Volunteer Requirements:

- 18 or older with the desire to become more involved with the Museum. We welcome those with positive energy, flexibility and customer service skills

Locations:

9603 Woods Dr,
Skokie, IL 60077

Website Address:

<https://www.ilholocaustmuseum.org/pages/get-involved/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

volunteer@ilhmec.org

Inspiration Corporation

Mission:

In an atmosphere of dignity and respect, Inspiration Corporation helps people who are affected by homelessness and poverty to improve their lives and increase self-sufficiency through the provision of social services, employment training and placement, and housing.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteers to cook, pack and serve food

Volunteer Requirements:

- All volunteers must attend an orientation and complete a volunteer application.

Locations:

4554 N. Broadway,
Suite 301
Chicago, IL 60640

Website Address:

<http://www.inspirationcorp.org/volunteers-pages-34.php>

Contact Information:

Dakota De Corah-Herbst
Phone: (773) 878-0981 Ext. 218
ddecorahherbst@inspirationcorp.org

Chicago Fair Trade

Mission:

Chicago Fair Trade (CFT) is the largest fair trade coalition in the USA, comprised of a dedicated base of member businesses, educational institutions, congregations, non-profit organizations, and individual activists. CFT increases support for economic and environmental justice through consumer education, advocacy, and promotion of local fair trade businesses. CFT is proud to be a local and national leader in raising awareness about and building support for fair trade and its principles of environmental sustainability, ethical production methods, fair wages, and safe working conditions.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://cft.service-cdm.org/support-chicago-fair-trade/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

jan@chicagofairtrade.org

The Plant-Chicago's Vertical Farm

Mission:

To develop circular economies of food production, energy conservation and material reuse, while empowering people of all backgrounds to make their cities healthier and more efficient.

Volunteer Needs:

- Farmers Market setup/takedown
- Aquaponics farm maintenance
- Outdoor gardening
- Community outreach
- Tour guides
- Educational programming assistance

Volunteer Requirements:

- Must attend a quarterly orientation
- Must be 16 years old or older. If under 18, we require a parent/guardian signature

Locations:

1400 W. 46th Street
Chicago, IL 60609

Website Address:

<http://plantchicago.org/support/>

Contact Information:

Phones: (773) 847-5523
info@plantchicago.org

Surge for Water

Mission:

Surge's purpose is to ...

FUND projects that provide access to safe water.

ENGAGE, EDUCATE, and EMPOWER communities around the world.

INVEST in innovation that drives sustainable solutions.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://surgeforwater.org/about/>

Contact Information:

friends@surgeforwater.org

American Indian Center of Chicago

Mission:

To promote fellowship among Indian people of all Tribes living in metropolitan Chicago and to create bonds of understanding and communication between Indians and non-Indians in the city. To advance the general welfare of American Indians into the metropolitan community life; to foster the economic advancement of Indian people, to sustain cultural, artistic, and avocational pursuits; and to perpetuate Indian cultural values.

Volunteer Needs:

- Janitorial
- Reception
- Volunteer Coordinator

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

1630 W. Wilson Ave
Chicago, IL 60630

Website Address:

<http://aic-chicago.org/volunteer-online/>

Contact Information:

Anixter Center

Mission:

The mission of Anixter Center is to provide an array of services and supports for the people with disabilities and related challenges to live, learn, work and play in the community.

Volunteer Needs:

- Tutoring
- Lead mock interviews
- Help with special events
- Pain/complete beautification projects
- Garden
- Musicians
- Storytellers
- Provide office support
- Assemble adaptive toys
- Wrap holiday presents
- Clean and organize program spaces
- Serve as a group or teacher assistants

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://www.anixter.org/anixter-center/support-anixter-center/volunteer>

Contact Information:

Bethesda Home & Retirement Center

Mission:

Our mission is to provide a place of comfort and security for older adults in the spirit of Christian love.

Volunteer Needs:

- Assist nursing home life enrichment staff with games, visits and other activities

Volunteer Requirements:

- Application and interview
- Training
- Minimum 15 hour commitment

Locations:

2833 N. Nordica,
Chicago, IL 60634

Website Address:

<http://www.bethesdaseniorcare.org/volunteer-opportunities>

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 622-6144

mbarnett@BethesdaHome.com

Calor

Mission:

The mission of Calor Center is to provide an array of services and supports for people with disabilities and related challenges to live, learn, work and play in the community.

Volunteer Needs:

- Assembling prevention kits
- Distributing prevention kits
- Helping with special events
- Providing office support
- Painting

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://calor.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities>

Contact Information:

Chicago Metro History Education Center

Mission:

The mission of the Chicago Metro History Education Center (CMHEC) is to spark students' interest in the study of history, help them build high-level thinking skills, engage them in civic life, and foster their intellectual self-confidence.

Volunteer Needs:

- Office
- Program
- History Fair Events

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

60 W. Walton Street,
Chicago IL 60610

Website Address:

<http://chicagohistoryfair.org/about-us/volunteer.html>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 255-3661

info@chicagohistoryfair.org

Chicago Youth Centers

Mission:

The mission of Chicago Youth Centers (CYC) is to empower children to recognize and experience their possibility and promise. CYC is the city's largest private urban youth organization. Since 1956, we have prepared children ages 3-18 for lifelong success by surrounding them with transformative social capital:

- Deliberate and intentional programs
- Academic, social and emotional support
- Family engagement
- Community resources
- Safe and innovative spaces

Through seven centers on the south and west sides of Chicago, a residential camp in Michigan and numerous partner sites throughout the city, CYC helps bridge the employable skills gap and empowers families to break the persistent cycles of poverty and violence.

Volunteer Needs:

- Tutoring
- Co-facilitating a group
- Recreational activities
- Career and college-readiness activities and etc.

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Locations vary, but may include: South Loop, Bridgeport, Back of the Yards, Auburn/Gresham, North Lawndale, Bronzeville, and South Shore.

Website Address:

<http://chicagoyouthcenters.org/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

volunteer@chicagoyouthcenters.org

Chicago Canine Rescue

Mission:

The Chicago Canine Rescue's mission is to save the lives of injured, neglected and unloved, homeless dogs in the Chicago area and from around the Midwest.

Volunteer Needs:

- Adoption events: Dog Handler and Transporter
- At the shelter: Dog walkers, Dog Bathers, Facility Aides, Dog Transporters
- Fostering
- Fundraising: Event Planning, Silent Auction Item Solicitors

Volunteer Requirements:

- Must be at least 18 years of age
- Sign volunteer wavier

Locations:

5272 N. Elston Ave,
Chicago, IL 60630

Website Address:

<http://www.chicagocaninerescue.com/volunteer-information/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 697-8848

volunteer@chicagocaninerescue.com

Chicago Youth Symphony Orchestras

Mission:

CYSO's mission is to inspire and cultivate personal excellence through music.

Volunteer Needs:

- Planning and execution of special events
- Selling merchandise
- Handing out programs at concerts
- Setting up concert receptions
- Assisting CYSO office staff

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<https://cyso.org/support/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 939-2207

arcantzler@cyso.org

U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

Mission:

To fulfill President Lincoln's promise "To care for him who shall have borne the battle, and for his widow, and his orphan" by serving and honoring the men and women who are America's Veterans.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteer Van Drivers
- Information Desk Volunteer
- Parking Lot Golf Carts Drivers
- Volunteer Office Assistant
- Volunteer Menu Assistant
- Volunteer patient Reminder Caller
- Discharge Patient Survey Caller
- Patient Escort Volunteers
- Amenity relief Volunteer
- Mail Room assistant
- Hospitality Beverage Cart

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Volunteer Requirements:

- Application
- Interview
- Fingerprinting
- Orientation

Locations:

Locations will vary. Please see website for additional details.

Website Address:

<http://www.chicago.va.gov/giving/index.asp>

Contact Information:

Voluntary office

Phone: (312) 569-8387 Ext. 56109

Disabled American Veterans

Mission:

We are dedicated to a single purpose: empowering veterans to lead high-quality lives with respect and dignity. We accomplish this by ensuring that veterans and their families can access the full range of benefits available to them; fighting for the interests of America's injured heroes on Capitol Hill; and educating the public about the great sacrifices and needs of veterans transitioning back to civilian life.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Location may vary.

Website Address:

<https://www.dav.org/help-dav/volunteer/volunteer-locally-help-the-va/>

Contact Information:

Campaign for Better Health Care

Mission:

We believe that accessible, affordable, quality health care is a basic human right for ALL people.

The Campaign for Better Health Care is a coalition of organizations and individuals, working to help create and advocate for an accessible, quality health care system that provides for all.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://www.cbhconline.org/about/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 913-9449

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Chicago Humanities Festival

Mission:

The Chicago Humanities Festival connects people to the ideas that shape and define us, and promotes the lifelong exploration of what it means to be human. CHF fosters curiosity, celebrates creativity, explores the boundaries of contemporary knowledge and culture, and challenges us to see ourselves and the world anew.

Volunteer Needs:

- Usher
- Crowd Management
- Ticket sales

Volunteer Requirements:

- All individual volunteers and members of volunteer groups must be 18 years of age or older.
- Application

Locations:

Location varies depending on event

Website Address:

<http://chicagohumanities.org/about/volunteers>

Contact Information:

Saloni Dar

Phone: (312) 661-1019

volunteer@chicagohumanities.org

Open House Chicago

Mission:

Open House Chicago's mission is to inspire people to discover why design matters.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteer Greeter

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Chicago Architecture Foundation
224 S. Michigan Ave.
Chicago, IL 60604

Website Address:

<http://www.openhousechicago.org/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

ohcvolunteers@architecture.org

Youth & Opportunity United

Mission:

Youth & Opportunity United, Inc. (Y.O.U.) is a youth development agency that provides services and leadership to meet the emerging needs of young people and their families in our community.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://youthopportunity.org/index.php/volunteers.html>

Contact Information:

bmoore@youthopportunity.org

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Broader Urban Involvement & Leadership Development (BUILD)

Mission:

BUILD's mission is to engage at-risk youth in the schools and on the streets, so they can realize their educational and career potential and contribute to the stability, safety and well-being of our communities.

Volunteer Needs:

- Summer camp program at Erie Charter School, which is located in Humboldt Park.
- Summer Arts Camp in the Austin community
- Donna Dudley Peace Project Softball League at Moore Park in the Austin Community
- "Hoops In The Hood" in the Austin and West Humboldt Park communities
- In addition: Tutoring, Mentoring, Coaching, Chaperones, Job Shadowing, Career Development.

Volunteer Requirements:

- Volunteer Application
- Authorization for Background Check Form (CANTS)

Locations:

Erie Charter School
1405 N. Washtenaw Ave,
Chicago, IL 60622

Moore Park
5085 W. Adams St.
Chicago, IL 60644

BUILD Head Quarters
5100 W. Harrison.
Chicago, IL 60644

Humboldt Park
1400 N. Sacramento Ave,
Chicago, Illinois 60622

Website Address:

<http://www.buildchicago.org/get-involved>

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 227-2880

volunteer@buildchicago.org

Teen Living Programs

Mission:

Teen Living Programs builds community, hope and opportunity for youth who are homeless. We address their immediate needs and help them achieve independence and stable housing.

Volunteer Needs:

- Assisting with answering phone calls
- Updating databases
- Organizing donations
- Cooking a meal
- Providing tutoring and vocational skills training
- Committee events
- Assembling TLP Outreach kits and etc.
- Program Support
- Gardening

Volunteer Requirements:

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Locations:

Website Address:

<http://www.tlpchicago.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

Illinois Coalition for Immigrant and Refugee Rights

Mission:

Dedicated to promoting the rights of immigrants and refugees to full and equal participation in the civic, cultural, social, and political life of our diverse society.

Volunteer Needs:

- Tutoring
- Community Education
- Voter Registration
- Citizenship Workshop

Volunteer Requirements:

- Application
- Time commitment will vary depending on position
- Training is only required for Community Education position

Locations:

Locations may vary according to position

Website Address:

<http://icirr.org/content/volunteering-opportunities>

Contact Information:

Lincoln Park Community Shelter

Mission:

The Lincoln Park Community Shelter brings communities together to empower homeless men and women to make sustainable life choices.

Volunteer Needs:

- Cooking and serving meals
- Front Desk Volunteer
- Financial Literacy Program
- Job Coach
- Peer Coach
- Computer Tutor

Volunteer Requirements:

- Must be 18 years or older
- Application
- Orientation and or training may be needed depending on the position

Locations:

600 W. Fullerton Parkway
Chicago, IL 60614

Website Address:

<http://www.lpcsonline.org/volunteer-opportunities/>

Contact Information:

Fawn O'Brien

Phone: (773) 549-6111 Ext. 216

volunteer@lpsconline.org

International Museum of Surgical Science

Mission:

The mission of the Museum is to enrich people's lives by enhancing their appreciation and understanding of the history, development, and advances of surgery and related subjects in health and medicine.

In support of this, we are committed to:

- Portraying through exhibits and other appropriate media, the art and science of surgery, and related subjects.
- Providing programs and services for the education and enjoyment of the public, students, and the medical profession.
- Preserving our collection for the education, inspiration, and aesthetic enrichment of future generations.
- Gaining recognition as a leader among medical and health museums worldwide.

Volunteer Needs:

- Education Volunteer
- Public Programs/Events Volunteer
- Docent
- Information Volunteer

Volunteer Requirements:

- Volunteers must be open to working with visitors from around the world, have excellent communication skills as well as basic computer skills, and be reliable.
- In addition, volunteers must be able to commit to coming in at least two days a month for six months.

Address/Locations:

1524 N. Lake Shore Dr.
Chicago, IL 60610

Website Address:

<https://imss.org/volunteer-opportunities/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 642-6502

info@imss.org

Logan Square Neighborhood Association

Mission:

LSNA is a community-based organization advancing diversity, leader development, and models for engagement as the catalyst for social justice. LSNA's mission is to unite institutions and residents to build and protect an excellent place to live, work, play, raise children, run a business, and worship.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteer at a monthly Citizenship Workshop
- Participating in community gardening for the Paseo Prairie Gardens
- Office Tasks
- Graphic design of brochures, newsletters, flyers, etc.
- Registering, tutoring, or mentoring children during evening CLC hours
- Helping with fundraising efforts (selling raffle tickets, developing strategies)
- Helping plan special events

Volunteer Requirements:

- Background checks may be required certain positions. Please see website for more details.

Locations:

Website Address:

<http://www.lsna.net/About-us/Volunteer-Opportunities/Volunteer-Interest-Form.html>

Contact Information:

Rosita De La Rosa
rdelarosa@lsna.net

Sarah's Circle

Mission:

Sarah's Circle is a refuge for women who are homeless or in need of a safe space. By providing life necessities, housing, case management, clinical and social services, we encourage women to empower themselves by rebuilding both emotionally and physically, realizing their unique potential.

Volunteer Needs:

- Meal Providers
- Center Maintenance
- Front Desk Assistant
- Engagement Volunteer
- Donation Transportation Volunteer
- Workshop Leader
- Donations Coordinator

Volunteer Requirements:

- Requirements varies depending on position. Please see website for more details.

Address/Locations:

4838 N. Sheridan Rd.

Chicago, IL 60640

Website Address:

<http://www.sarahs-circle.org/ways-to-help/volunteer/41-about-joomla/ways-to-help/volunteer-opportunities.html?layout=blog>

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 751-7454

ewoods@sarahs-circle.org

A Just Harvest

Mission:

A Just Harvest's mission is to fight poverty and hunger in the Rogers Park and greater Chicago community by providing nutritious meals daily while cultivating community and economic development and organizing across racial, cultural and socioeconomic lines in order to create a more just society.

Volunteer Needs:

- Flyer Distribution
- Play Expert
- Graphic Design

Volunteer Requirements:

- Volunteers are required to fill out an application and attend an orientation.
- Volunteers over the age of 18 must submit to a background check prior to volunteering.
- We ask for a commitment of at least 1 - 4hr shift a week for a minimum of 8 weeks. Scheduling is flexible.

Locations:

7649 N. Paulina St.
Chicago, IL 60626

Website Address:

<http://www.ajustharvest.org/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

(708) 383-4815

jtaylor@wonder-works.org

Chicago Freedom School

Mission:

The mission of the Chicago Freedom School is to create a new generation of critical thinking young people who use their unique experiences and power to create a just world. CFS provides training and educational opportunities for youth and adult allies to develop leadership skills through the lens of civic action and through the study of social movement history.

Volunteer Needs:

- Librarian
- Graphic design and IT
- Administrative Assistance
- Special Event Coordination

Volunteer Requirements:

- Application
- Volunteers must attend a volunteer orientation prior to beginning to work.
- Must make a minimum six month commitment to work with CFS

Locations:

719 S. State St.
Suite 3N,
Chicago, IL 60605

Website Address:

<http://chicagofreedomschool.org/jobs-volunteers-interns/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 435-1201

Wonder Works Children's Museum in Oak Park

Mission:

Wonder Works Children's Museum is a bridge between the home and school. It encourages all children of all needs to use their creativity and imagination to explore and engage within our thoughtfully designed hands-on play exhibits which builds confidence, curiosity and love of learning now and throughout their lives.

Volunteer Needs:

- Reading stories to children
- Guiding art activities
- Playing games
- Answering phones
- Filing
- Writing Grants
- Assisting customers
- Maintaining the grounds
- Planning parties and etc.

Volunteer Requirements:

- We encourage long-term commitments, and as such, strive to make the volunteer experience at Wonder Works as fulfilling as possible.

Locations:

Wonder Works, a Children's Museum
6445 North Ave.
Oak Park, IL 60302

Website Address:

<http://www.wonder-works.org/volunteer/form.html>

Contact Information:

Phone: (708) 383-4815
info@wonder-works.org

Rape Victim Advocates

Mission:

Rape Victim Advocates (RVA) is an independent, not-for-profit organization dedicated to the healing and empowerment of sexual assault survivors through non-judgmental crisis intervention counseling, individual and group counseling, and medical and legal advocacy in the greater Chicago metropolitan area. RVA provides public education and institutional advocacy in order to improve the treatment of sexual assault survivors and to effect positive change in policies and public attitudes toward sexual assault.

Volunteer Needs:

- Advocacy
- Community outreach
- Education and Training
- Development/Fundraising/Special Events
- Administrative

Volunteer Requirements:

- Application
- Must be 18 years or older
- Interview
- DCFS background check
- Training and time commitments will vary depending the position.

Locations:

Location will vary depending on position. Please see website.

Website Address:

<http://www.rapevictimadvocates.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 443-9603

info@rapevictimadvocates.org

Erie Neighborhood House

Mission:

To promote a just and inclusive society by strengthening low-income, primarily Latino families through skill-building, access to critical resources, advocacy and collaborative action.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 563-5800

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BEDS PLUS

Mission:

BEDS PLUS has given the homeless a safe place to sleep, hot homemade meals, professional counselling, and the job services they need to become self-sufficient.

Volunteer Needs:

- Cook teams prepare meals
- Laundry volunteers wash linens at home
- Admin and office volunteers help with mailings, events and projects

Volunteer Requirements:

- All prospective and new volunteers must attend one volunteer orientation. Orientations are held the second Monday of each month beginning at 7 pm at: First Presbyterian Church of LaGrange, 2nd Floor Conference Room, 150 S. Ashland Ave., LaGrange.

Locations:

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Website Address:

<http://www.beds-plus.org/volunteer.html>

Contact Information:

Phone: (708) 354-0858

volunteer@beds-plus.org

Bethel New Life

Mission:

To realize God's vision of a restored society by creating opportunities for individuals and families to invest in themselves and by promoting policies and systems that help communities thrive.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Website Address:

Contact Information:

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Center for Economic Progress

Mission:

The Center for Economic Progress (CEP) helps low-income, working families as a trusted provider of tax and financial services. Everything we do, from direct service to informing public policy, improves the financial stability of those we serve.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteer Financial Coach
- Credit Geek
- Savings Coach
- Tax Preparer
- Tax Site Specialist

Volunteer Requirements:

- No prior experience is necessary
- Basic computer proficiency is helpful
- Training is a mix of online and classroom learning paired with orientation.
- Volunteer hours and training requirements vary upon position. Keep in mind only the Tax Preparer and Tax site Specialist positions take place before and during tax season.

Locations:

Training and volunteering will take place at CEP Headquarters.

567 W. Lake St.
Chicago, IL 60661

Website Address:

<http://www.economicprogress.org/volunteer>

Contact Information:

Phone: (312) 630-0285

volunteer@economicprogress.org

WTTW

Mission:

WTTW is a premier public media organization committed to creating and presenting unique television and digital media content.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteer Pledge Drives

Volunteer Requirements:

- All volunteers must be 16 years of age or older.

Locations:

5400 N. St. Louis Ave.

Chicago, IL 60625

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Website Address:

<http://interactive.wttw.com/volunteer>

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 509-5559

volunteer@wttw.com

Albany Park Community Center

Mission:

APCC educates and supports members of the community as they determine their own path of growth and development by providing diverse programs and services for individuals, families, groups, and businesses.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

1945 W. Wilson Ave.
Suite 3000
Chicago, IL 60640

Website Address:

<http://www.apccchgo.org/#/volunteer/c1v53>

Contact Information:

Phone: (773) 583-5111

Forest Preserve District of Cook County

Mission:

To acquire, restore and manage lands for the purpose of protecting and preserving public open space with its natural wonders, significant prairies, forests, wetlands, rivers, streams, and other landscapes with all of its associated wildlife, in a natural state for the education, pleasure and recreation of the public now and in the future.”

Volunteer Needs:

- Positions vary but include the following: Habitat Restoration, Litter Cleanup, Bird Watch, Clerk, Environmental Education, Record Keeping, Invasive Species Monitor, etc. Please see website for additional positions.

Volunteer Requirements:

- Requirements vary based on different positions

Locations:

536 N. Harlem Ave.

River Forest, IL 60305

Website Address:

<http://fpdcc.com/volunteer/>

Contact Information:

Phone: (800) 870-3666

Wilbur Wright College - GlobeMed

Mission:

The purpose of GlobeMed shall be to strengthen the movement for global health equity by empowering students and local communities to work together to improve the health of people living in poverty around the world.

Volunteer Needs:

Volunteer Requirements:

Locations:

Wilbur Wright College
4300 N. Narragansett Ave.
Chicago, IL 60634

Website Address:

<http://www.ccc.edu/colleges/wright/departments/Pages/GlobeMed.aspx>

Contact Information:

Mary Mayer
globemedwright@yahoo.com

Wilbur Wright College - Peer Mentor Leadership Program

Mission:

The Peer Mentor Leadership Program is designed to promote college success, build relationships between new and returning students, help new students navigate the college campus, and assist new students with utilizing Wilbur Wright campus resources.

Volunteer Needs:

- Provide one-on-one mentoring to new students
- Connect students to campus resources
- Design flyers to promote student engagement
- Assist with room set up for various campus workshops and events

Volunteer Requirements:

- Application
- GPA of 3.0 or higher and 12 or more completed credit hours
- 1 faculty/advisor reference
- 5 hour/week time commitment

Address/Locations:

Wright in Your Corner Student Center (Science Building, S-100)
4300 N. Narragansett Ave.
Chicago, IL 60634

Website Address:

<http://www.ccc.edu/colleges/wright/departments/Pages/WIYC.aspx>

Contact Information:

Dijana Demirovic
(773) 481-8148
ddemirovic3@ccc.edu

Wilbur Wright College – Diplomacy Lab

Mission:

Diplomacy Lab is a program of the U.S. State Department in which university and college partner institutions (of which Wright is one) are allowed to bid on research projects identified by the State Department. If the bid is selected, students will work under the guidance of the faculty member within the time frame of a semester-long course to explore real-world problems. Students also work in collaboration with State Department officials, video conferencing several times a semester on the project before submitting a final product. The Diplomacy Lab allows students to contribute directly to the policymaking process, while helping the State Department tap into an underutilized reservoir of intellectual capital.

Website Address:

<http://www.Diplomacylab.org> (look under "Projects" tab for current bid options)

Contact Information:

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