

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are many organizations at Connections for Hope in Herndon, VA that depend on volunteers to implement their programs. YOU can help someone receive the help they desperately need.

Walk for Hope – The Walk for Hope is an annual joint fundraiser for the partnering organizations at Connections for Hope. In 2011 the event raised \$40,000! The next Walk for Hope is planned for May 2012. There are many opportunities to get involved with this event including planning, walking, and day of volunteer. If you are interested in volunteer for the Walk for Hope contact support@helpingchildrenworldwide.org

Computer support - Basic computer troubleshooting to software and computer system updates as well as advance computer and system knowledge. Help individuals learn how to use a computer, write a resume, search for a job, and apply for a job. If you are interested in computer support contact support@helpingchildrenworldwide.org

Job Search/Application Support: Connections for Hope has a fully functioning computer lab and is able to offer open lab time to individuals to come in and use the computers to search for jobs and also to learn how to use the computer, as basic as how to use a mouse. Volunteers are there to help anyone who comes in with basic knowledge of computers, resumes and online job applications.

Word Press/HTML support: knowledge of updating Word Press and advanced HTML for websites

Vecinos Unidos seeks volunteers for the Homework Assistance Program. No prior teaching experience is necessary just a little patience and a willingness to work with great young people. Share your knowledge and encouragement with students who need your help with assignments and projects. A background check will be completed on all potential volunteers. Vecinos Unidos **cannot** accept volunteers who are required to perform court mandated service. If you are interested in these opportunities please contact info@vecinosunidos.org or call 703-201-2809

Jeanie Schmidt Free Clinic seeks volunteers for several areas, if you are interested in volunteering please contact: volunteers@jsfreeclinic.org or go on to www.jsfreeclinic.org for more information

Medical Support - Specialists are needed to provide appointment times for off- site consultations in a variety of areas including dentistry

Community Services Support - JSFC attempts to provide bagged meals for patients and snacks for volunteers at our Thursday evening clinic

Interpretation Services - Bi- lingual volunteers are given unique opportunities to contribute to adult and child patient care through interpretation in one on one medical exams and in group settings. A variety of languages are needed

Just Neighbors seeks volunteers for its programs at Connections for Hope, if you are interested in any of the opportunities please contact rob@justneighbors.org or (703) 979-1240.

Monthly Saturday morning Community Clinics. Volunteers at these clinics conduct the initial intake interviews with our low-income immigrant clients, who come from around the world. After conducting the initial interview, volunteers report to our staff attorneys what they've learned so that the attorneys can advise the clients of their options under immigration law. Often volunteers are able to help the client move forward with some type of Immigration application at the appointment. Spanish speakers are especially helpful.

Translation. Volunteer translators to assist with written translations from various foreign languages into English. This can often be done via email

Reston Interfaith seeks volunteers to assist in several capacities if you are interested in any of the opportunities please contact volunteer@restoninterfaith.org or call 571-323-9565.

Family Mentors Do you have patience, compassion, and a desire to work closely in helping a family overcome the challenges that brought them to homelessness? Families who are transitioning out of homelessness would like to work with committed community members who can help encourage them along the path to self-sufficiency.

Childcare Assistants Are you great at playing with and entertaining kids 2-10 years old? We're looking for experienced babysitters 16 and over or 14 or 15 with a parent, to watch a group of kids while their parents and older siblings participate in a nutrition workshop.

Holiday Registration Volunteers to help client's complete registration forms in order to sign-up their families to receive boxes of food at Thanksgiving and toys for their children in December. Volunteers need to be 16 and older, and have good penmanship. If you're bilingual we'd especially love your help.

The Literacy Council of Northern Virginia Seeks volunteers for several areas if you are interested in any of the volunteer opportunities please contact info@lcnv.org or call 703-237-0866

Individual (One to One) Tutoring Opportunities - Teach an individual adult who can speak and understand English but needs help with reading and writing.

Student Testers - Administer pre-tests and post-tests to students in classroom programs

Fairfax/Falls Church Community Services Board seeks volunteers and interns for the Alcohol and Drug Services as well as the Mental Health Services they provide to the community. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Kay.Rankin@fairfaxcounty.gov or 703-383-8420