Volunteer Opportunities
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Events

Winter Warehouse Sale- Help as a sales floor assistant or use your muscles and move furniture and merchandise. Assistance is needed on Saturday, December 10th, morning and afternoon shifts available, and Sunday, December 11th (11:30 a.m.-4 p.m.). The event includes a meal, beverage and free parking for the volunteer. Dress warmly as the warehouse is not heated—please wear jeans, sweaters, sweatshirts and casual comfortable shoes.

Pick the Date-Pack the Produce-Volunteers are needed in Cleveland and Cuyahoga County to assist with food and produce distributions this season. You would help receive the delivery, sort, and safely distribute to individuals and families. Visit https://tinyurl.com/mv54t9bz for a list of distributions.

On Going

Community Navigator/Cultural Tutor- Do you know a lot about Cleveland and its community? Be the welcoming face to refugee families learning about living in their new community. Help with locating bus routes, grocery stores, libraries and much more. Flexible schedule available.

Donation Organizer- Support a nonprofit’s mission by sorting, pricing, and stocking shelves with new, quality goods donated by generous companies which get passed on to those that need the donations the most. Opportunities to help Monday- Friday, 10 a.m.-12 p.m. or 12-2 p.m. in the Cleveland Central neighborhood.

Mentor- For this opportunity volunteers are college graduates at varying stages of their careers looking to make a difference in their community by directly impacting a high school student’s chance at a college education. Mentors are paired with a co-mentor to work with two students to develop skills that foster their personal and professional growth. Mentors also help students apply to summer college programs, and eventually work through a guided college admissions process, with the assistance of the college admissions team. Mentors are expected to volunteer 2 hours per week, 24 weeks per year on Saturdays 1-2:30 p.m.

Food Pantry Restocking Associate- Help set up and take down at a food pantry in the MidTown area of Cleveland. Restock shelves, prepare for upcoming distributions, light cleaning and assist with pantry intake and food distribution. Please be able to lift items up to 50lbs and stand for extended periods of time. Volunteer times are Monday and Fridays, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Tax Preparer- By volunteering with this nonprofit agency you are providing free tax preparation assistance to low-income and elderly taxpayers. Help ensure that tax services remain free and accessible for the over 12,000 low-income and elderly taxpayers served every year. Help is needed in various locations. Get a jump on training and contact us today.
Trail Ambassador—Get out on the trail and breathe in the fresh air!! Trail Ambassadors greet and interact with guests outside on the trails in Shaker Heights. This includes greeting visitors; sharing nature center highlights; answering frequently asked questions; reporting the number of visitors you interact with; reminding visitors of trail safety guidelines. 2-hour shifts available on weekdays 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

Resale Store Associate—Assist with sales floor design, donation pick-up and drop-off, specialized department displays, and customer service. Set your own schedule (once every other week) Tuesday-Thursday 9:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m. and Friday-Saturday 9:30 a.m.—4 p.m. Two locations, Detroit-Shoreway neighborhood and North Randall.

Recreation Assistant—Help out staff at an older adult community with group activities, such as crafts, ceramics, music, games, bingo, bunco etc. to enrich the lives of the residents. You could also transport participants to and from activities. Or visit one-on-one with residents who would like assistance with writing letters or reading. General activities takes place on weekday afternoons and weekends 10 a.m.—4 p.m.

Zoom Facilitator—Do you enjoy helping others develop technology skills? Help us address the Digital Divide by helping others learn how to use video platforms such as Zoom. Work with individuals on a one-on-one basis, conducting group sessions via Zoom, doing follow up with individuals, etc. Must have weekday daytime availability, flexible scheduling available.

Volunteer Guardian—This volunteer serves as the legally appointed guardian for an adult with developmental disability. The Volunteer Guardian acts in the best interest of the assigned person, serving as an advocate and substitute decision-maker in the care and management of the person’s medical and personal affairs, with the assistance of a team of advisors. Meet in person at least six times per year. Conduct other activities as needed.

Youth Volunteer- STEAM—Help support teen services librarians as they work to engage teens (age 10-18) in connected learning activities. Flexible schedule at many locations in Cuyahoga County.

Learning Partner—Work with Students (K-8th grade) individually or in small groups to support reading or math learning. Exchange ideas and build Intergenerational friendships. Volunteer 1-3 hours per week, weekdays between 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. in the North Collinwood neighborhood.

Kitchen Assistant—Various activities include preparing various components for the day’s entrée and cold meals, such as salads and wraps and also filling/sealing meal trays, washing dishes and pans at a Meals on Wheels program located in Westlake. Volunteers are needed weekdays 10:30 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

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Now is a good time to update your contact information in our Volunteer data base (VSys) if there are any changes.
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If you are in, or nearing retirement, check out other volunteer opportunities available with Greater Cleveland Volunteers in the Encore Cleveland program on our website.
greaterclevelandvolunteers.org/programs/encore

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