

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES FOR WOMEN VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTIONS

HOW Participants take part in group activities that enhance the individualized plan they set with their case managers. Each group is supported by a facilitator or leader and benefits from volunteer interaction. The following are current activities requesting volunteer support. If you are interested in working with any of the following groups or clubs, please contact HOW at 773-465-5770.

Homework Club:

In the Homework Club, children work both individually and in groups on various homework assignments. Tutors will work with individual students in subject areas where they need assistance. Rules are in place to ensure an active learning environment. Fresh ideas for rewarding students and making learning fun, are welcome. Snacks and drinks are provided. This group meets Mondays and Thursdays from 3:30-4:30pm at 6451 N. Greenview.

Career Exploration:

The purpose of this group is to explore career opportunities and employment options. Topics include basic interviewing skills, resume writing, work history review, job skills assessment, and career path exploration. Volunteers can work one-on-one or in a small group setting and share knowledge and personal experiences. Problem-solving is also needed for participants who experience barriers in the application and interviewing processes. Workshops on “Dressing for Success” and “Workplace Etiquette” are welcome. The Career Exploration group meets Mondays from 6:00-7:00pm at 7007 N. Sheridan Road.

Mom and Tots Group:

The Mom and Tots Group centers around play activities that allow the toddlers to explore the world around them. Moms and toddlers draw, paint, play with blocks and Play Doh, and participate in a variety of other hands-on activities geared to helping toddlers develop to their fullest potential. Field trips are beneficial to this group and volunteers are encouraged to work with the group facilitator on outings. The group meets Wednesdays from 10:00 -11:00am at 6451 N. Greenview Avenue.

Life Skills Group:

The Life Skills Group focuses on the important skills necessary for successful independent living in the community. Group topics include money management, employment, maintaining an apartment, nutrition, physical and mental health issues, and building a support network. Volunteers can work one-on-one or in small groups to provide up-to-date information that will enhance HOW participants’ day-to-day living (including heart health, conducting a job search, and breast self-examinations). This group meets Wednesdays from 6:30 -7:30pm at 6451 N. Greenview Avenue.

