

## Good Shepherd Volunteers

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Good Shepherd Volunteers collaborates with the Sisters of the Good Shepherd to provide full-time volunteers with the opportunity to work in social service ministries and to use their God-given talents serving women, adolescents, and children affected by poverty, violence, and neglect. Developing relationships with the marginalized of our world empowers volunteers to grow in knowledge and faith that inspire them to lead a life of seeking justice.

Our volunteers **live in community with one another** and strive to learn more about **social justice, community, simplicity, and spirituality**.

**Position:** Independent Living Counselor, **Chelsea Foyer, Good Shepherd Services**, New York, NY  
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### Position Responsibilities:

- Facilitate Independent Living workshops (on topics such as Money Management, Resumé Tips, Expressing Creativity, etc.)
- Maintain day and evening coverage of residence assuring the safety of residents.
- Work with evening security staff to appropriate visitation policies are Complete a written transitional report for each shift and be actively involved in shift transition
- Identify appropriate resources to assist young people on their journey to independent living
- Diffuse potential crisis situations and take appropriate action in resolving crises.
- Attend appropriate programs and supervisory meetings
- Work as primary counselor for Foyer Residents
- Complete monthly Independent Living Reports and quarterly progress summaries with primary residents
- Communicate regularly with case managers, Education/Vocational Coordinator, Resident Resources Coordinator, and Independent Living Specialist
- Assist Program Direction with administrative/clerical duties and any other assignments deemed necessary

### Position Qualifications:

- Desire to work with young adults between the ages of 21-24
- Ability to work independently and with a team
- Possess flexibility, patience, and ability to make quick decisions
- Ability to take initiative and take on tasks as decided by the supervisor
- Must have direct service experience through work or volunteering
- Must be 21 years of age or older with 2 years of college/work experience
- Experience with MS Word, Excel, Publisher and web design programs a plus
- Valid drivers license a plus

### Benefits:

- Mentoring and professional supervision
- Housing and transportation costs
- Modest monthly stipend
- Medical and dental coverage
- Orientation, retreats, and workshop opportunities
- Two weeks vacation

**Application Deadline: June 1, 2008** (positions filled on a first come first serve basis, the earlier the better!)  
Please visit [www.gsvolunteers.org](http://www.gsvolunteers.org) and hit the “apply now” button for an application.

**Start date: Sunday, August 17, 2008**

**End date: July 31, 2009**

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