

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: Youth Development Counselor, **Marian Hall, Good Shepherd Services**, New York, NY
(www.goodshepherds.org)

Position Responsibilities:

- Organize and implement creative/recreational activities with residents (including crafts, educational opportunities, field-trips, etc.)
- Escort residents to dental/medical appointments, trips for necessity purchases (clothing, toiletries)
- Administer and record residents' medical needs
- Assist residents with homework when necessary
- Co-facilitate Independent Living groups with residents
- Maintain knowledge of residents' whereabouts (and appropriate record-keeping in daily log)
- Assist in Therapeutic Crisis Intervention when necessary
- Assist with organization of "housekeeping" responsibilities including chores, dinner, room cleaning, etc.
- Serve as a presence with the young women, which requires flexibility and the desire to build relationships

Position Qualifications:

- Desire to work with adolescent youth
- 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 and hit the "apply now" button for an application.

Start date: Sunday, August 17, 2008

End date: July 31, 2009

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