

**COMMUNITY LODGINGS
YOUTH EDUCATION VOLUNTEER POSITIONS**

Volunteer Position Description Tutor

Overview

Community Lodgings is an Alexandria, VA-based nonprofit organization with a mission to lift families from homelessness and instability to independence and self-sufficiency. Our Youth Education Program currently enriches the lives of over 150 homeless and low-income students per day. To promote positive youth development, we work with children to help them meet program goals of increasing academic achievement and decreasing at-risk behavior. We provide opportunities for advancement through tutoring, homework assistance, enrichment, arts activities, field trips, recreation and parent/teacher engagement.

Purpose

Each day, students bring homework assignments to the after-school program which they complete with assistance from staff and volunteers. To supplement the efforts of current staff, we are seeking volunteers interested in working with kids.

Service Details

Time Commitment: Elementary school tutors: 2:45 - 4:15 p.m., middle school tutors: 4:30 - 6 p.m. One or more times per week

Program Hours: 2:30-6:30 pm; Monday thru Thursday, Friday optional

Dress Code: Casual but professional

Locations:

- Fifer Learning Center, 607 Notabene Drive, Alexandria, VA 22305
- Brookside Apartments, 601 Four Mile Run Road, Alexandria, VA 22305
- Brent Place Apartments, 375 South Reynolds Street, Alexandria VA 22304

Key Responsibilities

The ideal candidate will assist and collaborate with the program directors to work directly with students, tutoring students individually and in small groups, tracking student progress, and reporting weekly to program coordinators.

Program Goals

Increase academic achievement by:

Addressing targeted academic needs

Fostering relationships of trust between students, staff and volunteers

Dedicating full efforts to knowledge gain

Decreasing at-risk behaviors

Qualifications

Preferred candidates have a background in education K-12 teaching/special education; however, all are welcome to apply

Candidates should be at least 16 years old.

Candidates should be mature, motivated, patient, and demonstrate a positive demeanor at all times

Volunteer Position Description Mentor

Overview

Community Lodgings is an Alexandria, VA-based nonprofit organization with a mission to lift families from homelessness and instability to independence and self-sufficiency. Our Boys' and Girls' Mentoring Programs currently enrich the lives of over 20 homeless and low-income students on a weekly basis. To promote positive youth development, we work with children in grades 6-12 to help them meet program goals.

Purpose

Our mission is to provide a long-term, structured relationship to increase the program participants' self-esteem and ability to trust others. Both the girls' and boys' programs focus on building relationships, all while in a group setting.

Service Details

Time Commitment: We ask that mentors make a commitment to serve at least one year

Program Hours:

Girls' Mentoring: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. every Monday

Boys' Mentoring: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m. every Monday

Dress Code: Casual but professional

Locations:

- Girls' Mentoring: Fifer Learning Center, 607 Notabene Drive, Alexandria, VA 22305
- Boys' Mentoring: Brookside Apartments, 601 Four Mile Run Road, Alexandria, VA 22305

Key Responsibilities

The ideal candidate will assist and collaborate with existing mentors to work directly with students, ages 11-18. The ideal candidate will also be available for occasional field trips scheduled in addition to regular program hours.

Program Goals

- Develop mentees' ability to analyze circumstances and make choices that will help them reach their personal goals.
- Expose the mentees to different experiences and people to increase awareness of choices available.
- Build self-esteem to promote confidence in the mentees' abilities to make responsible choices.
- Build trusting relationships.
- Help mentees become engaged and responsible citizens through participating in community service work.

Qualifications

Preferred candidates have a bachelor's degree; however, all are welcome to apply

Candidates should be at least 22 years old.

Candidates should be mature, motivated, patient, and demonstrate a positive demeanor at all times