Shelter and Pantry Volunteer Opportunities: North Side

AMERICAN INDIAN CENTER, 1630 W. Wilson Ave., is looking for volunteers to help with food distribution, assisting clients and light lifting from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Wednesdays and Thursdays. Minimum age to volunteer: 17. Maximum group size: 6. Contact, 773-275-5871.

BREAKING BREAD MINISTRIES, 1111 N. Wells Ave., is looking for volunteers to assist with food preparation and distribution on Wednesday evening from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Food service restaurant style with six to eight guests at a table. Minimum age to volunteer: 18. Maximum group size: 4. Contact Marianne Pytel, 312-376-0118 or walsgooger@aol.com.

CHICAGO LIGHTS TUTORING AND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OF FOURTH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, 126 East Chestnut, needs tutors one day a week from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. from October through May. Contact Meghan Stegemann, 312-981-3560 or mstegemann@fourthchurch.org.

THE CHILDREN’S ROOM, 69 West Washington, #3300, needs volunteers every weekday morning and afternoon for reading to children, creating arts and crafts and assisting with snacks. Minimum age to volunteer: 13. Maximum group size: 15. Contact Sylvia McCullum, 312-603-1945 or SMcCull@cookcountygov.com.

COMMON PANTRY, 3744 N. Damen Ave., is looking for English and Spanish speaking volunteers to assist with food distribution from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. and 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Monday through Friday. Volunteers are also needed on Monday and Tuesday mornings to sort deliveries and donations and to stock shelves. Every second Saturday each month volunteers are needed to help provide home delivery to seniors in the immediate area. Contact Scott Best, 773-327-0553 or commonpantry@hotmail.com

DEBORAH'S PLACE, 2822 West Jackson, 1530/1532 North Sedgwick, 1456 West Oakdale, 4115 West Ogden provides housing for women who are homeless. They need volunteers for food preparation, cleaning projects, tutoring, special events and more. Minimum age to volunteer is 16. Volunteers 16-18 must be accompanied by an adult. Maximum group size: 10. Contact Sarah Letson, 773.722.5080. Web site: http://www.deborahsplace.org/.

GIRLS IN THE GAME, a Kids Cafe at 1501 West Randolph Street, provides and promotes sports and fitness, health education and nutrition and leadership development to enhance the well-being of all girls. Volunteers are needed on a regular basis to assist with: Girls in the Game After-School, Summer Games Summer Camp, Game Day: Girls' Health Fest, tutor/homework help, special events, office activities and computer programming, and marketing and communication help. Hours vary. Contact Kate Chaughnessy, 312-633-4263 or kshaughnessy@girlsinthegame.org or volunteers@girlsinthegame.org
GOOD NEWS PARTNERS—NEW LIFE INTERIM HOUSING, 1600 West Jonquil Terrace, needs volunteers to help with tutoring programs for elementary school children. The Reading Coach Program is from 8:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. Monday through Friday and the After School Program is from 2:45 p.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. This program needs tutors that can volunteer one day a week for the entire school year. Contact Leah Kranz at 773-764-4998 or leah@goodnewspartners.org.

HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE ELDERLY (H.O.M.E.) and the Pat Crowley House, 5414 B West Roosevelt Road, need volunteers to visit with senior citizens, assist with the weatherization of senior citizen’s homes, and assist with painting several rooms in the homes of senior citizens. Contact Mike Laz, 773-921-3200 or mikel@homeseniors.org.

HUMBOLDT PARK SOCIAL SERVICES, INC., 2120 N. Mozart St., is in distribution and assisting clients at their pantry on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Minimum age to volunteer: 18. Maximum group size: 2 people. Also Monday through Friday from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 3 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. English- and Spanish-speaking volunteers are needed for food preparation, distribution and assisting clients at the soup kitchen. Minimum age: 16. Maximum group size: 3 people. Contact Melvin Pickett, 773-342-6210 or mpickett@hpsschanginglives.org.

INSPIRATION CAFE, pantry and soup kitchen at 4554 North Broadway, Suite 207, needs volunteers for food preparation, manual labor, administrative, computer, education, maintenance and special events on mornings, afternoons and evenings every day of the week. Volunteer orientations are twice monthly. Maximum group size: 20. Contact 773-878-0981, ext. 231 or volunteer@inspirationcorp.org.

LAKEVIEW PANTRY (EAST SITE), 3831 North Broadway, needs English, Spanish, Russian, Korean and Romanian speaking volunteers Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday mornings and afternoons. Minimum age to volunteer: 18, unless accompanied by an adult. Maximum group size: 2. Contact Erin Stephens, 773-517-4813 or erin@lakeviewpantry.org.

LAKEVIEW PANTRY (WEST SITE), 1414 West Oakdale, needs English and Spanish speaking volunteers for distributing food, manual labor, driving, assisting clients, translating, computer, window display design Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday mornings. Minimum age to volunteer: 18. Maximum group size: 2. Contact Erin Stephens, 773-517-4813 or erin@lakeviewpantry.org.

LASALLE SENIOR CENTER, 1111 North Wells, Suite 500, is looking for volunteers for food preparation/serving and volunteer drivers. Volunteers can come in for 1-2 hour sessions between 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Wednesday. There is also need for those who are willing to assist in driving a 14-passenger van once for day and evening trips to local grocery and retail stores. Contact Jan Kroeschell, 312-573-8841 or jkroeschell@lasallestreetchurch.org.
**LESLIE’S PLACE**, a shelter at 1014 North Hamlin needs volunteers for preparing meals, driving, assisting clients, Tuesday through Friday. Maximum group size: 2. Contact Leslie Brown, 773-342-8384 or LesliesPl@aol.com.

**NEW MOMS INC.**, a shelter at 2528 West McLean, needs English and Spanish speaking volunteers for distributing food, assisting clients, child care, and the staff store everyday. Minimum age to volunteer: 16. Maximum group size: 10. Contact Brian Genzink 773-252-3253 x33 or bgenzink@newmomsinc.org

**REST SHELTER**, 941 West Lawrence, needs volunteers for medical Tuesday evenings, administrative Monday-Friday, and food prep every day. Minimum age to volunteer: 16. Maximum group size: 15-20. Contact Kari Aosved, 773-784-0909 or Kaosved@restweb.org

**ST. IGNATIUS FOOD PANTRY**, 6559 North Glenwood needs English, Spanish, and Russian speaking volunteers for distributing food, assisting clients, serving, preparing meals on Wednesday and Friday afternoons. Minimum age to volunteer: 18. Maximum group size: 8. Contact Kathy Morris, 773-764-5936 or Is@stignatiuschurch.org


**UNITED CHURCH OF ROGERS PARK**, a soup kitchen 1545 West Morse needs volunteers for food preparation, distributing food, setting up dining room service, serving meals, washing dishes, and other cleaning tasks on Sunday evenings. Minimum age to volunteer: 10-15. Contact United Church of Rogers Park at 773-761-2500 or Ucrp8021@sbcglobal.net

**VITAL BRIDGES**, 5543 N. Broadway, Chicago is open to serve clients on Tuesday noon-6 p.m., Thursdays from noon-3 p.m. and 5:30-7:30 p.m. and on Saturday from 11-2 p.m. Volunteers help stock the shelves, shop for groceries for our clients and other tasks such as painting and cleaning. Contact Marjorie Goran with the day, time, and number of people to volunteer, Marjorie.Goran@vitalbridges.org.