



Southern Region Volunteer Placement Descriptions

Adoption/Foster Care Support

Arizona's Children Association's mission is a simple one: *Protecting Children. Preserving Families.* As we continue our mission with Adoption and Foster Care we are seeking volunteers to give support as needed with various projects such as: provide training sessions on relevant topics to foster care and/or adoption, help staff with recruitment activities and assemble various types of packets for foster care children and families. Commitment varies by volunteer availability.

The First Steps Program

The First Steps Program provides emotional support, parenting information, referrals to community resources to parents with newborns, thereby promoting healthy family environments. The First Steps volunteers must be comfortable in a hospital setting. Commitment varies by volunteer availability.

Gardeners of Tucson

The Gardeners of Tucson continue the growth of "The Garden" located at Arizona's Children Association. The Gardeners of Tucson work directly with children and teach them gardening skills. Make new gardening friends and help a child learn.

Grandparent Mentor Program

The KARE Family Center is a program providing support for Grandparents raising grandchildren. The Grandparent Mentor would be trained and paired with an age-peer if possible to provide as needed support – an ear to listen, a voice to calm and a will to advocate under the supervision of staff. Grandparent volunteers should have weekday availability.

Grandparent Mentor Program / Resource Library Assistant

The KARE Family Center is also looking for volunteers for their resource library program. Resource Library Assistants are needed to check out books, check in returned books and keep the library organized. Volunteers should have weekday availability.

Program Support Assistant

To further the success of our more than 40 programs and services, Arizona's Children Association is seeking individuals to volunteer in the following areas: Human Resources, Information Technology and Medical Records. Duties vary according to placement and will provide resume enhancement. Volunteers should have weekday availability.

Facilities Assistant

A basic part of keeping children & families safe is providing them with a safe environment for both learning and playing. Arizona's Children Association is constantly striving to make our facilities the best they can be. If you work in maintenance or are just a weekend handyman, we need your talents! This placement provides a unique opportunity to immediately see the difference your contribution is making in the lives of children and families. Commitment varies and the volunteer should have some daytime or weekend availability.

Playgroup Assistant

The Parent Connection is seeking individuals who can assist our Parent Educator with Play Based Learning Groups. The Playgroup Assistant will support the Parent Educator by greeting parents and children (0-5 years), orient parents to the group, help set-up and clean-up playroom, assist with the facilitation of Circle Time, Play! Play! Play! and Remember to Say Good-Bye. These particular groups meet on Tuesday mornings from 9:00-noon, however, other times may be available.

Library Assistant / Teacher Assistant

The Nellie P. Covert School is an educational facility that specializes in dealing with students with unique needs. The school focuses on positive academic learning, behavioral and social skills growth. The school library and students need your assistance. If you are an organized caring individual looking to help promote education through reading by volunteering in our library, then you are the person our children desire. Volunteers will check out books, check in returned books and keep the library organized. In addition, the school is seeking individuals to volunteer within the classroom by reading to the students, assisting students with assignments, play games and assist teachers with other classroom activities. Volunteers should have weekday availability.

How Would You Like to Help?

If you have a special talent or interest in an area other than what is listed and you feel it would be an asset to the children and families of Arizona's Children Association, we would love to hear your ideas. Volunteers are the heart of any organization. Let us hear from you!

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