Volunteer Information for Pre-Med Students

HOSPITALS, HOSPICES, & NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS

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http://www.barnesjewish.org/patients-visitors/volunteer

Our volunteers become part of the care team by assisting patients and families or by assisting the people who care for our patients. Feedback from both staff and families indicates that having caring volunteers in the hospital truly makes a positive difference at a critical time in their lives.

Volunteering

1. Complete the Volunteer Application Form.
2. Read carefully and complete all items on the Application Checklist.

3. Return your completed application to:

   Barnes-Jewish Hospital
   Volunteer Services
   Mailstop 90-72-404
   One Barnes-Jewish Hospital Plaza
   St. Louis, MO 63110

When we receive your application, you will be contacted by our office to schedule an interview appointment with the manager of volunteer services. Please bring our phone number with you in case of problems, and bring your parking ticket to the office so we can stamp for free parking.

The deadlines for receiving applications in our office are as follows:

Fall Semester: 9/15
Summer Semester: 4/1
BETHESDA HOSPICE

http://www.bethesdahealth.org/volunteer/

Becoming a Volunteer
- Complete application and other necessary forms.
- Meet with the Volunteer Coordinator.
- Complete Tuberculin Test (if you volunteer more than 10 hours a week).
- Attend training and orientation.

Where to Volunteer or for more Specific Information
Opportunities include volunteering at any of our skilled nursing or assisted living communities, or in Hospice Care. To volunteer, please print, complete and mail the Volunteer Application or contact any of the following:

Adult Day Care at Bethesda Dilworth
Terrie Massey
314-446-2103
tamassey@bethesdahealth.org

Adult Day Care at Charless Village
Tara Burrow
314-846-2000
trburrow@bethesdahealth.org

Bethesda Hospice Care
Ruth Rinck
314-446-0623
rarincker@bethesdahealth.org

Bethesda Meadow
Leslie Simon
636-449-1662
lgsimon@bethesdahealth.org

Bethesda Southgate
Jan Keale
314-375-1030
jmkeale@bethesdahealth.org

Bethesda Dilworth
Darla Neely
314-446-2177
drneely@bethesdahealth.org

Eunice Smith
Jody Baalman
JEBAalman@bethesdahealth.org
618-463-7330

Village North
Ciara Jackson
CAJackson@bethesdahealth.org
314-355-8010

BJC Extended Care
Patty Clay
PAClay@bethesdahealth.org
Volunteer Opportunities

A small gift of your time can make a big impression on someone’s heart. BJC Hospice is always in need of adults and teens to donate their time.

Apply online or call:

St. Louis area (314) 872-5050
Farmington, Missouri (573) 760-8550
Sullivan, Missouri (573) 468-3630
Alton, Illinois (618) 463-7100

Hospice patients can be adults or children, and volunteers provide valuable support to patients and their families. Volunteers can help in numerous ways by supporting patients and families so they can continue to live life to the fullest or helping within the office to support the staff.

The amount of time you volunteer is your choice, and you are guided each step of the way with on-going training and support from our volunteer coordinator.

If interested, call the volunteer coordinator in your area. After completing an application, you will be contacted for a personal interview and will then attend a volunteer training session.
Whether you work directly with children in playrooms or help deliver the day’s mail, your work as a volunteer throughout the hospital helps support the full-time staff and our continuing mission: “Through our exceptional health care services, we reveal the healing presence of God.”

Volunteer application deadlines & information
Frequently asked questions

Becoming a volunteer is easy, but does involve multiple steps which can take some time. This process helps guarantee the safety of our patients, staff and other volunteers, and helps ensure that the needs of the hospital and the volunteer are both met with a good volunteer/position match.

There are different application deadlines and time requirements depending on whether you’re an adult or student or if you’ll be participating in a service project. Learn more about these guidelines.

The application process involves the following steps:

- Complete the SSM Health volunteer application
- Meet all of the current SSM Health medical/health requirements for volunteers
- Provide information for a background check
- Submit two references
- Interview with the Volunteer Director
- Attend New Volunteer Orientation
- Now you’re ready to volunteer!

For more information on becoming a volunteer at SSM Health Cardinal Glennon Children’s Hospital, check out our Frequently Asked Questions or call the Volunteer Office at (314) 577-5696. When calling, please leave your name, phone number and indicate your availability and interests.
Volunteers are an essential part of our children's life. We know you will find an amazing and rewarding volunteer experience at CHS. The children you can make a difference to have significant developmental disabilities with limited verbal communication. Occasionally, there are also infants awaiting adoption. Our children enjoy visitors and love “extra” attention that a friend or family member would provide.

Apply Online

Online Application and Volunteer Opportunities

Questions? (314) 968-2350 x 255.

To participate, you must complete a volunteer application two (2) weeks prior to the activity. Once approved, you will be eligible for all future volunteering.

Volunteer Opportunities

Guardian Angel Program

Help our staff take children out in the community for ice skating, trips to the zoo, park, concerts and more. Come visit a child to read, help with "hand-on-hand" coloring, arts and crafts, sit outside-any time to make a difference in the daily lives of our children. Since our children attend school during the day, volunteers serving in this way would need to be available during the afternoon, evenings and/or weekends.

Special Events

Think you may be more suited for a committee? We have a number of areas you could donate your time to help us plan special fundraising events, coordinate our Holiday Wishes program, or special occasions to celebrate our children.

Annual Signature Dinner Auction (August)
Homecoming Carnival (May)
Young Friends Group (Spring)
Holiday Wishes Program (Winter)

Professional Services

Do you like hands-on work? Perhaps you have an area of expertise you could lend-hairdresser, photographer, landscaper, craftsman, designer decorator…we have a place for your talent!

Office Assistants/Interns

Our administrative staff is small and always in need of additional hands to send out mailings, file records, and generally lighten the load for our hard-working team. Volunteers are greatly appreciated in assisting with various clerical needs.

On occasion we also offer an internship program and are happy to work with your school to accommodate your academic and scheduling needs. Please call for availability.
CHIPS HEALTH & WELLNESS CENTER

http://www.chipsstl.org/

To promote wellness and empower self-health management for the uninsured and underserved through preventive and primary health care services.

Download Volunteer Information Form
Complete a Volunteer Information Form and email to: info@chipsstl.org

Clinical (on site)

- Health professionals or pre-med and nursing students preferred.
- Medical terminology knowledge
- Willing to take direction from professional nurses
- Senior level students proficient in vital signs may help with basic clinical assessments and patient education
- Could be called on to help with chart audits, data entry, clinic observations, medical records work
- Help with inventory and organization of pharmaceutical and medical supplies
- Design health education materials and bulletin boards (health literacy experience helpful)
- Minimum 3-4 hours at a time

Questions? Call (314) 652-9231 ext. 20

Outreach (community sites)

Chronic Disease Management Educators

- Health professionals or pre-med and nursing students preferred
- Need transportation to and from community sites
- Available to work weekends (mostly Saturday a.m.) or week days.
- Must be personable and comfortable meeting the public and recruiting health screening participants

Volunteers will:

- register screening clients,
- if qualified, take BP, do finger sticks for blood sugars, calculate BMI, counsel, educate and refer (must be senior level student)
- prepare and implement “health education kits”
- Complete community outreach orientation at CHIPS
- Willing to commit to minimum of 3 events per year, 4 hours per event.

Questions? Call (314) 652-9231, ext. 17

Clerical/Special Events

- Anyone, including students of any level
- Clerical/office skills helpful
- Variety of tasks—data entry, typing, filing, sorting, folding, stapling, help with major mailings; shredding, copying, collating, stuffing envelopes
- Help with greeting guests and patients
- Sometimes light lifting (boxes and such)
- Special talents and skills welcome!
- Flexible hours—minimum 3-4 hours per week

Questions? Call (314) 652-9231 ext. 20
CHRISTIAN HOSPITAL


Join Our Community

Lee Shields, Volunteer Services Coordinator
Phone: (314) 653.5032
Fax: (314) 653.5225
Monday - Friday: 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Closed Saturday, Sunday, and Holidays

Volunteer Positions

We are always looking for energetic people willing to commit to a minimum of four hours per week. The availability of positions is usually greatest weekdays during business hours. Volunteers should be flexible and willing to do a variety of tasks.

- Child Development Center volunteers assist in our day care center
- Emergency Department volunteers escort patients and their family members in the ED; evening hours available
- Gift Shop volunteers ring sales, so retail experience is preferred, evening/weekend hours available
- Greeters assist staff with admissions and escort patients
- Intensive Care Unit volunteers answer phones and file; evening/weekend hours available

Volunteer Requirements

- TB test
- Annual flu vaccine
- Time commitment (4 hours per week for adults)
- Adherence to dress code at all times while on duty:
  - Uniform top (Volunteers are provided with a uniform top, compliments of the Christian Hospital Auxiliary.)
  - Tan or khaki pants/skirts (natural waistline, not baggy)
  - Comfortable walking shoes
  - Badge

Apply online or you can pick up an application in the volunteer office at the hospital. We'll review your application, check your references and, if you are over 18, complete a criminal background check. We'll also call you for an interview.
Rocking babies, singing songs, playing games and reading aloud are just a few of the activities listed on the job description of volunteers at the Saint Louis Crisis Nursery, a safe haven that protects children by providing temporary, 24-hour shelter for them when their families are experiencing an emergency or crisis. The Nursery depends heavily on the work of volunteers to assist the professional, trained staff in taking care of the children, ages birth through age 12.

Volunteer Mission Statement

- Volunteers share their skills, experiences and talents to assist staff in providing a nurturing environment to children in our care and to support the mission of the Saint Louis Crisis Nursery.

- Saint Louis Crisis Nursery (SLCN) Volunteers are needed at our five Nursery locations to assist the professional, trained staff in taking care of children, ages birth through 12 years, during their stay at the Nursery.

- Volunteers also assist with maintaining a welcoming, clean and safe Nursery environment. In addition to volunteering in the Nursery, opportunities are available to assist with special events, fundraising, join our Junior Board, complete an internship at SLCN, and more.

- All volunteers must have an understanding of and respect for children, with a non-judgmental attitude towards the children and their parents.

Crisis Nursery North
Centene Center (South City)
St. Charles
St. Charles (West)
Wentzville
SSM Health DePaul Hospital is a 476-bed, full-service Catholic hospital and a member of SSM Health, founded by the Franciscan Sisters of Mary. Opened in 1828, SSM Health DePaul was the first hospital west of the Mississippi River and remains the oldest continuously existing business in St. Louis.

Today SSM Health DePaul offers the only Level II Trauma Center in North St. Louis County and serves patients from across the St. Louis metropolitan area, with concentration in the surrounding communities of Bridgeton, Florissant, Hazelwood, St. Ann, Olivette, St. John, Maryland Heights and Overland in Missouri. SSM Health DePaul offers a wide range of comprehensive medical care. We offer the most advanced technology and procedures available including minimally invasive heart, spine, knee, hip and weight loss surgery.

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at SSM DePaul Health Center!

We accept applications from adults, college students and high school students to fill the wide array of volunteer jobs available.

Who Our Volunteers Are and What They Do?

Frequently Asked Questions

Benefits of Volunteering

How do I become a volunteer?
For more information on becoming a volunteer at DePaul, please call the Volunteer Office at (314) 344-7083, or submit an online application.

The volunteer office is open Monday through Friday, 9 AM - 3 PM. If you call during off hours, please leave your name and phone number, and we will return your phone call.

Applicants must complete and submit DePaul’s online volunteer application, interview with the volunteer director, attend orientation and meet hospital medical requirements. Background checks are completed on all volunteers.
Giant Steps is a nonprofit organization that offers a therapeutic school and a specialized summer camp for children and teens with autism spectrum disorder. The programs serve young people from all over the St. Louis region.

To volunteer, please contact Giant Steps Director, Betty Berger at bberger@giantstepsstl.org during the regular academic year; volunteer opportunities are not available during the summer.
Health and Dental Care for Kids is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization providing primary, dental, and urgent care for patients from 0 to 18 years of age. The organization is co-sponsored by St. Louis Children’s Hospital and Cardinal Glennon Children’s Medical Center.

Health Care for Kids is centrally located in midtown St. Louis at 4055 Lindell Blvd (at the Northeast corner of Lindell and Sarah). Our office is easily accessible to residents of the St. Louis region by public transit or automobile.

If you would like to help support the mission of Health and Dental Care for Kids, please email Marissa Paine, Interim Executive Director, at mpaine@healthcareforkids.org for more information.

http://healthcareforkids.org/
HEALTH PROTECTION AND EDUCATION SERVICES

http://hpes-stl.org/medical-nursing-students

HPES provides free health screening services and health education to the underserved and uninsured that live targeted service areas in St. Louis City, where there is a dearth of medical facilities and private physician offices.

Our Mission

1. Detect and prevent diseases
2. Refer clients to appropriate entities when needed and educate clients on healthy lifestyles
3. Educate medical trainees in preventative medicine

Medical and Nursing Students

HPES is looking for motivated and skilled medical professionals to become volunteers. It takes only one Saturday morning per month (each third Saturday) and about 3 hours of time to facilitate medical and one-on-one consultation with clients.

Please e-mail the Volunteer Coordinator for more information.
To improve health and quality of life for disadvantaged children and families by reducing access barriers and delivering quality healthcare services.

The Institute for Family Medicine lives this mission every day by taking healthcare services directly to points of need in our community, overcoming access barriers related to cost, transportation, language and trust.

We envision a community in which:

- Every person has a health home.
- Quality health services are available and appropriately utilized.
- Disparities in health outcomes are reduced.
- Community agencies collaborate to improve health services.
- A sustainable cadre of health professionals is committed to achieving this vision.

Interested in donating your time and talents to help improve health and quality of life for St. Louis’ disadvantaged children and families? We have a variety of opportunities, both medical and non-medical.
The Volunteer Services Program at Metropolitan St. Louis Psychiatric Center (MPC) is recognized by the United Way of Greater St. Louis Volunteer Center for its quality and commitment to strengthen the experience of volunteers and enhance the human resources available to all community agencies.

There are many opportunities for community volunteers and student educational experiences available throughout the facility. Volunteers and students at MPC use their talents and energy to support the efforts of professional staff. Training and education is provided to familiarize volunteers with hospital policies and rules as well as patient interactions. Positions are available for volunteers 17 years and older from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily.

Join us in the spirit of service by contributing your time and skills as a member of the MPC Team. Only volunteers can provide the social acceptance and reassurance clients need to support their efforts. As a volunteer you will have the opportunity to gain training and experience in your chosen field and make a difference in someone’s life.

Volunteer and student opportunities include but are not limited to:

- Clerical Volunteer
- Gift Shop Sales Clerk
- Auxilian

For more information about volunteer opportunities call: (314) 877-0876 or email: June Jones.
http://www.missouribaptist.org/DonateVolunteer/VolunteerOpportunities.aspx

What Volunteers Do

Volunteers are valuable to the Hospital community, assisting patients, families and employees. More than 650 student and adult volunteers offer their time, energy and special talents to many areas, including the gift shop, information desks and clinical areas.

Who Are Our Volunteers

Seniors, students, men and women are all welcome as volunteers. Any time you can give is appreciated and there is flexibility in the days, hours and frequency that you can contribute.

Benefits

Most volunteers agree that the greatest gift comes from the satisfaction of serving others. Volunteers are eligible for some special benefits including:

- Discounts at the gift shop, cafeteria and pharmacy
- Invitations to special social events such as appreciation brunches, family picnics and volunteer health fairs

Apply Now
Data and Document Coordinator

Assist the continuing education supervisor with tracking important documents and connecting people with developmental disabilities to the continuing education program.

File Clerk Volunteer

Assist Paraquad staff with sorting and storing important documents.

Peer Group Support Leader

Facilitate the Peer Group Support Program, which provides peer support to people with disabilities. Share your knowledge, experience and compassion with others while soliciting and addressing the group participants’ barriers to independent living.

Peer Mentor

Provide one-on-one peer support to people with disabilities. Share your knowledge, experience and compassion while supporting and improving the lives of others.

People First Assistant

Assist with the advocacy projects of People First of St. Louis. Offer support to People First of St. Louis members during regular monthly meetings. Work with Public Policy and Advocacy Department staff to prepare for monthly meetings and advocacy events.

Public Policy Assistant

Disseminate information through Paraquad’s community and networks by announcing needs for action related to policy, legislation and advocacy.

Teacher Assistant

Assist the continuing education teacher to help further the education and independence of adults with developmental disabilities.

Youth Group Activities Volunteer

Assist the Youth and Family Coordinator with organizing, preparing and providing recreational activities for youth group members during monthly meetings.
Places for People provides an unparalleled toolkit of programs, services, and resources for people who have serious mental illnesses, typically accompanied by complex and multilayered challenges: chronic homelessness, substance abuse disorder, primary health disorders, and trauma. Our mission statement reflects our commitment to serve the most vulnerable people in our community:

Our Mission

“Provide caring, effective services to help those with the greatest challenges recover from mental illness and associated chronic illnesses.”

Four Simple Steps to Volunteering

1) Read our services and volunteer handbook to decide if this is a good fit for you.

2) Review our current volunteer opportunities below, and begin the application process by filling out an online volunteer interest form.

3) Training and Volunteer Manager Jen May will contact you for a phone interview to discuss interests and opportunities*.

4) Begin volunteering!

* Please note that all volunteers must complete a background check and volunteer opportunities require an orientation session of 1-3 hours.
Our mission is to have a positive impact on the lives of those we service, inspire through example, and encourage celebration of life. We will assist with emotional peace of mind and both physical and spiritual healing.

Volunteers

Direct Care Volunteers: Provides companionship to patients, runs errands and does light housekeeping, he or she may also provide childcare and other activities as needed by the patient and family.

Professional Direct Care Volunteers: Provide their expertise to work with the patient and family members based on their experience and license or degree.

Bereavement Volunteer: This volunteer stays in close contact with family members at different times of the year to make sure that the loved one’s are coping with the loss in their family.

Office Volunteer: The office volunteer assists with many things in the office from entering data in the database to assisting with mail outs, and is a very valuable asset to the team. He/she coordinates work that needs to be done with the volunteer coordinator.

The Auxiliary Volunteer: This volunteer serves as hostess and works on mailings at home of office and participates in fund raising projects, and generally uses his/her professional and homemaking skills to meet the hospice needs. He/she is often a member of a club or organization in the community, and speaks publicly to assist in promoting Hospice volunteerism.

The Special Occasion Volunteer: They might not have a whole lot of time, but want to contribute some of their time to the community. They do this by delivering birthday cards and posters to Hospice patients or by making cookies and treats for the patients on holidays.

Jr. Volunteer: They help bring a little sunshine to the patients by making cards for patients and coloring pictures. They are too young to visit, but offer their artistic abilities as children to the patients and patients adore them as well.

Arts and Crafts Volunteer: Assist patients with a painting or drawing to express his or her feelings. This can be a recognized artist of the community or student or anyone that loves participating in arts and crafts.

Dependability
To people in crisis, whose lives are subject to so much unpredictability, it is essential to know that you can count of someone or something. Never offer more than you can deliver.
http://www.rankenjordan.org/

Whether it’s playing on the jungle gym, going to the Zoo, rocking babies or helping behind the scenes, you are making an impact on a child’s life.

Click here for volunteer groups or entertainment programs and to apply.

Requirements
- Complete a three-hour volunteer orientation before you start (offered monthly).
- Commit to a minimum of two scheduled hours a week.
- Perform a minimum of 40 hours of service.
- Submit a reference letter from someone unrelated.
- Receive a Tuberculosis screening test (provided at orientation, free of charge).
- If 18 or older, allowing Ranken Jordan to perform a background check.

Areas of Interest
Here are some of the activities you can choose from. Depending on the area of service your shift can be 2 to 3 hours.

**Therapy**
- Supporting a child in their Therapy session
- Help keep therapy toys and equipment clean
- Prepare supplies for therapy sessions

**Administration**
- Help with fundraising or events
- Assist with special projects

**Building Operations**
- Help us keep the hospital clean
- Stock, label and organize supplies
- Help with laundry

**Concierge**
- Greet families, patients and visitors
- Help keep the hospital tidy
- Assist with special projects

**Child Development**
- Co-facilitate activities such as:
  - Art therapy
  - Music therapy
  - Gross motor activities
  - Games and developmental play
  - Cooking
  - Encourage kids to get out their rooms to play and be kids
  - Help keep toys and equipment clean for kids

**Clinical Services**
- Engage with infants and toddlers through socialization and play
- Play with preschool and school-age children to promote normalcy
- Interact with teens and young adults
Since 1924, Shriners Hospitals for Children — St. Louis’s board-certified surgeons and staff have been providing high-quality pediatric orthopedic care to children, regardless of the families’ ability to pay. Our hospital and clinic specialize in treating children with orthopedic conditions in an environment designed to put children at ease. Every member of our team, from surgeons and therapists to nurses and prosthetics, work together to ensure the best course of treatment for each patient.

Volunteer requirements

- Be at least 18 years old
- Commit to a minimum of three to five hours per month
- Submit to a complete background check, including references, criminal records and child abuse history
- Have up-to-date vaccinations, including tuberculosis and other infectious diseases
- Pass a drug screening test
- Attend a comprehensive orientation prior to beginning your volunteer position

Hospital volunteers

- Shriners Hospitals for Children — St. Louis is a specialized hospital offering volunteer positions in our child life, outpatient, public relations and development departments, as well as opportunities to serve as a front desk concierge and tour guide. Volunteer placement is based on matching your abilities, interests and availability with the needs of our hospital.

- Volunteer shifts run Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. We cannot guarantee open positions all the time, but we work hard to align your talents and interests with your volunteer position to ensure a meaningful volunteer experience.

Apply to volunteer

If you are interested in applying to become a volunteer you may download a Volunteer Application. Applications may be printed, completed legibly by hand and mailed, or completed on the computer and e-mailed to our volunteer coordinator, Breanna Wyman.

If an appropriate volunteer position is available, you will be contacted for a phone interview. If no appropriate openings are available when your application is received, we will keep your application on file for three months.

If you have questions about volunteering at Shriners Hospitals for Children — St. Louis, please contact our volunteer coordinator, Breanna Wyman at (314) 692-6413.
Who can be a volunteer?
Hospice volunteers are of all ages and come from different life experiences. They are drawn to hospice work for a variety of reasons, but the characteristics that define and unite them are compassion and the desire to help. If you can listen, enjoy being with other people, like being part of a team and are reliable and dependable, you'll fit right in!

How can I help?

- **Patient care** volunteers become very involved with patients, whether helping to feed those in need, providing respite care for the caregiver, running errands or simply sitting quietly by a bedside.
- **Volunteers who are interested in bereavement** offer support to the survivors by telephone calls or home visits. They provide reassurance to the family that their feelings are normal and necessary during the grief process. They also provide spiritual support to meet the needs of the dying patient.
- **Office support volunteers** prefer to help with clerical duties. Mailings as well as a variety of clerical work is an ongoing process in the hospice setting.
- **Fund raising volunteers** are needed to work with our development staff and assist with various fund raising projects. The generous donations allow our hospice program to provide care to patients regardless of their ability to pay.
- **Life Review Video Project** volunteers help create legacy videos that can be shared with family members and passed down to other generations.

Is experience required to become a volunteer?
Experience is NOT required but thorough training is provided along with on-going supervision from our qualified staff. Training is filled with valuable information. Volunteers learn good communication skills that enable them to listen effectively and to talk openly about issues relating to death and dying. By the end of the training, volunteers are well prepared to meet a variety of new experiences and can share this with our hospice patients and their families. To find out the next scheduled training dates, please contact the volunteer coordinator at (314) 543-6869.

All volunteers are encouraged to attend monthly meetings to share information, discuss patients’ needs and receive support from each other as well as from the rest of the hospice staff. **Note:** Training classes are offered free of charge and St. Anthony’s Hospice provides all necessary materials. There is no obligation to St. Anthony’s Hospice to become a volunteer after training if someone decides that hospice volunteering just is not for them. St. Anthony’s Hospice respects that decision.

How do I become a volunteer?
Call the volunteer coordinator, at (314) 543-6869 to learn more about interesting and rewarding volunteer opportunities.
Your service means everything to our patients.

We appreciate your interest in volunteering at Mercy Hospital and your willingness to give back to your community. Volunteering at Mercy Hospital provides a wonderful service to our patients, families and community. We continually seek dedicated and passionate volunteers who are willing to give of their time and talents to make Mercy the best it can be.

As a volunteer, you’ll be part of a group of compassionate individuals committed to carrying on the traditions of Mercy Hospital. Your support will help our health care professionals provide excellent service to our patients. As a volunteer, you may serve in many different patient care, administrative and ancillary areas.

Volunteers are present in almost every area of the hospital, including the Emergency Department, ICU waiting rooms, Information Desks, Mercy Children's Hospital, NICU, Burn Unit, Mercy Heart and Vascular Hospital, David C. Pratt Cancer Center, the Gift Shop and Mercy off-site locations.

Volunteer opportunities include everything from greeting visitors, cuddling a little one in the NICU, assisting our health care team on patient care units or volunteering in the Mercy Gift Shop.

Volunteering at Mercy Hospital is a unique and rewarding opportunity. In addition to the satisfaction of making a difference, volunteers are invited to an appreciation luncheon and brunch each year and have the same discounts as Mercy co-workers. Mercy volunteers are also given a $5 meal card each day to use in the cafeteria, Smoothie Bar or Coffee Shop.

Want to join our team of volunteers? Please give us a call at (314) 251-6180 or apply online.
ST. LOUIS CHILDREN’S HOSPITAL

http://www.stlouischildrens.org/ways-give/volunteering

Founded in 1879, St. Louis Children's Hospital is one of the premier children's hospitals in the United States. It serves not just the children of St. Louis, but children across the world. The hospital provides a full range of pediatric services to the St. Louis metropolitan area and a primary service region covering six states. As the pediatric teaching hospital for Washington University School of Medicine, the hospital offers nationally recognized programs for physician training and research.

Volunteers

St. Louis Children’s Hospital volunteers create a difference in the lives of our patients, families, visitors and staff every day. Volunteers can be found throughout the hospital, delivering packages and mail to our patients, greeting visitors at the Information Desks, bringing comfort and distraction to patients and their siblings through play and improving the overall hospital experience for all of our guests.

Seeking Long Term Volunteers ONLY! Long term volunteers are defined as volunteers who complete the program expectation of 75 hours of service within 1 year.

Please attend an Information Session to learn more!

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Phone (314) 454-6145
E-mail Us
In its 150-year history, St. Luke's has grown from a single hospital location to an advanced network of care. It provides personalized healthcare services in over 60 specialty areas at its 493-bed hospital in Chesterfield, Mo. and offers 25 other locations across the greater St. Louis area, bringing quality healthcare services such as urgent care, imaging and primary and specialty care close to home.

St. Luke's is nationally-recognized for quality care and consistently earns high patient satisfaction scores. In addition, St. Luke's is the exclusive St. Louis affiliate of the nation's No. 1 heart hospital, Cleveland Clinic's Sydell and Arnold Miller Family Heart & Vascular Institute.

Volunteering

Volunteers play an important role at St. Luke's. They help us extend our mission of service to each other and the community. They help promote spiritual, emotional and physical well-being. And, most importantly, volunteers demonstrate care and concern to those in need.

We have volunteers of various ages - ranging from teenagers to older adults. Our volunteers represent all walks of life and include both men and women.

If you have a desire to make a difference in the lives of others, consider joining those who contribute their time and talents as a St. Luke's Hospital Volunteer!

St. Luke's Hospital Volunteer Services
232 S. Woods Mill Road
Chesterfield, MO 63017

Monday through Friday  8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.
Telephone: (314) 542-4768

Who we are

SSM Health is a Catholic, not-for-profit health system - one of the largest integrated delivery systems in the nation. At SSM Health St. Mary’s Hospital - St. Louis, we have a flexible and diverse team of over 200 volunteers who gave 25,000 hours of their time last year. Half our volunteers are students from local high schools and colleges.

What volunteers do

Volunteers work alongside our physicians, nurses and other employees to provide exceptional service to patients and visitors.

Where volunteer opportunities are

Opportunities are available on our nursing units and in our Emergency Department, Procedure Center, Internal Medicine Clinic, Maternal and Fetal Care Center and more. Check in frequently as new opportunities become available every month.

During your first 40 hours, you will serve as a guest services specialist at one of our hospital entrances. In this role, you will interact with a diverse population of patients, staff and visitors, meeting a large variety of needs. This experience will equip you with the foundational knowledge, skills and abilities necessary to provide exceptional service in other areas of the hospital.

Why you should volunteer

Our mission is: Through our exceptional health care services, we reveal the healing presence of God. We fulfill our mission by making our values central to everything we do: Compassion, Respect, Stewardship, Community and Excellence.

For more information on becoming a volunteer at St. Mary's Hospital, please call the Volunteer Office at 314-768-8719.

Frequently Asked Questions

Benefits of Volunteering

Volunteer Requirements

Apply online now!
SSM Health Saint Louis University Hospital has been an academic hospital in the St. Louis community for more than 80 years. Read more about our Mission & Values or our rich history of serving the people and communities of St. Louis, Missouri.

Volunteer

SSM Health Saint Louis University Hospital accepts applications from adults, college students and high school students to fill the wide variety of volunteer jobs available.

Applicants must complete and submit the volunteer application, interview with the volunteer director, attend orientation and meet hospital medical requirements. Background checks are completed for all volunteers.

Apply online now!

Return application:

- By fax: (314) 268-5100
- By mail:
  Volunteer Services
  3635 Vista Avenue
  St. Louis, MO 63110

Benefits of Volunteering

Most volunteers will tell you that the satisfaction they receive from giving their time to patients is the greatest benefit. However, there are other perks for volunteers, including:

- Free parking
- Discounted meals (Volunteers receive a 10% discount in hospital dining areas.)
- Recognition event
- Part of our family (Volunteers are hospital family members and invited to participate in events and celebrations.)
- Opportunity to build experience and references (Volunteer hour verification and references are provided by the volunteer director upon request.)

Contact Us

For more information about becoming a volunteer at Saint Louis University Hospital, please call the Volunteer Office at (314) 577-8030.

If you call during off hours, please leave your name and phone number, and we will return your phone call.
http://www.unityhospice.com/volunteers/

There are more than 400,000 hospice and palliative care volunteers working to bring families support and compassion when they’re needed most.

Hospice and palliative care volunteers are friends who lend an ear, a hand and… their hearts.

Fill out our quick online form to find out more about how you can help.

Unity Hospice of Greater St. Louis

6406 Wise Ave
St. Louis, MO 63139
Phone: (618) 346-1111
Toll Free: (888) 394-1055
Fax: (618) 346-7777

Counties Served: St. Louis city, St. Louis County, St. Charles, Jefferson, Franklin
Volunteering with the VA St. Louis Health Care System

The VA St. Louis Health Care System invites you to become part of our health care team. The health care we provide at our hospitals and clinics would not be complete without people who volunteer their time to help those who have served our country.

Who may volunteer?
Anyone over the age of 14 can apply to become a volunteer. Volunteers typically become involved as individuals or through an organization or community group.

Time requirements?
Any amount of time volunteered is valued throughout the VA St. Louis Health Care System. Diversity in service areas allows each volunteer to choose the area and number of hours that fit his or her schedule.

Volunteer with us
To find out more about our volunteer program and opportunities, please contact us. There are two forms that you will need to complete, the Volunteer Application and the Volunteer Screening Form and return to us.

Volunteer opportunities are also available at the:
- St. Louis (MO) Outpatient Clinic
- Belleville (IL) Outpatient Clinic
- St. Charles (MO) Outpatient Clinic
- Washington (MO) Outpatient Clinic
- Primary Care Team 1 Annex
- St. Louis Vet Center
- East St. Louis Vet Center
Volunteering

The West County Clinic is run entirely by volunteers.

Volunteer positions include:

- Care Providers
- Physicians
- Nurse Practitioners
- Receptionists
- Free clinic-trained non-certified staff
- Nurse
- RN
- LPN
- Medication Counseling
- Pharmacists
- RNs
- Healthcare Access & Advocacy
- Social Workers
- Trained Non-licensed staff
- Administrative/Training Staff
- Clerical workers
- Free Clinic non-licensed staff
- Fund raising and Special Projects Governance and Operations

** Health professionals should be aware that when volunteering in the clinic, they are protected from malpractice lawsuits by the Federal Tort Claims Act.

If you would like to volunteer at the clinic, please leave a message at (636) 207-5070. A member of our staff will return your call or email vimwestcounty@gmail.com or click here.
World Pediatric Project (WPP) is an international non-profit organization based in Richmond, VA and St. Louis, MO. WPP coordinates surgical and diagnostic care for children in Central America and the Eastern Caribbean by sending out medical mission teams to our partner countries and by bringing children to Richmond and St. Louis for life-saving surgical intervention. Our volunteers work directly with the children and their guardians. Some families who travel for care speak only Spanish. It is not necessary for our volunteers to speak Spanish, but it is a bonus if they do!

Volunteering:

We rely on volunteers to assist families with many of the practical and supportive needs they have while undergoing medical treatment, including:

- Picking up/dropping off families at the airport
- Transporting and accompanying families to medical appointments
- Assisting families with surgery check-in
- Visiting families in the hospital or housing facility
- Taking families on outings
- Providing social and emotional support to families

In order to become a volunteer, please complete a volunteer application (including background and MVR checks) and attend a volunteer orientation. During the orientation, you will receive some background information about the organization, including the various ways you can support our families. Once you have submitted a volunteer application and attended an orientation, you’ll be added to the weekly volunteer email list and you’ll start receiving weekly emails outlining/suggesting opportunities to engage. As a volunteer you can decide how and when you want to be involved, as it fits your schedule.

Volunteer Orientation is held monthly at West County Ronald McDonald House located at 300 Ronald McDonald House Lane, St. Louis, MO 63141

If you’re interested in volunteering in St. Louis, MO, please contact Volunteer Coordinator, Anne Koncki, aknocki@worldpediatricproject.org, for more information and to receive application materials.
APPENDIX: OTHER COMMUNITY SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

There are many nonprofit organizations in the St. Louis area. The list below is a sample of the wide variety of opportunities you will find. Keep in mind that any community service work you do does not necessarily have to be health related, but it should be something you feel strongly about.

ALIVE  
Animal Protective Association of MO  
Big Brothers Big Sisters  
Central Institute for the Deaf  
Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA)  
The Covenant House  
The Covering House  
Doorways  
Food Outreach  
Gateway Greening  
Grace Hill  
Habitat for Humanity – STL  
Haven House  
Humane Society of MO  
Immigrant & Refugee Women’s Program  
Metro Trans Umbrella Group (MTUG)  
Missouri Botanical Gardens  
Mutts ‘N Stuff  
Operation Food Search  
Project Ark  
Ready Readers  
Ronald McDonald House  
St. Louis Area Food Bank  
St. Louis Art Museum

http://www.alivestl.org/  
http://www.apamo.org/  
http://www.bbbs.org  
http://www.cid.edu/  
http://www.voices-stl.org/casa.html  
http://www.covenanthouse.org/  
http://thecoveringhouse.org/  
http://www.doorwayshousing.org/  
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http://www.gatewaygreening.org/  
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http://www.missouribotanicalgarden.org/  
http://www.muttsandstuff.com  
http://www.operationfoodsearch.org/  
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