



Job Descriptions for Weekly Volunteers

Drivers are needed to carry Journey Home guests to doctor appointments, daycare, WIC, and other agency appointments. They would be assigned a specific day to help and we would arrange our appointments to the driver's availability. They may use the Journey Home vehicle or their own. A volunteer application and interview, proof of insurance, copy of driver's license and a background check (at our expense) will be necessary. (5-8 volunteers)

Journey Home House Parent Helpers are assigned a four-hour shift. They may help in a variety of ways; supervising guests as they perform their chores and complete their studies. They may run errands, take a guest to an appointment, perform light office duties, phone calls, and other tasks requested by the House Parent. A volunteer application and interview, and a background check (at our expense) will be necessary. Training is encouraged but not necessary to begin. (5 – 17 volunteers)

Journey Home Mentors are assigned to guests to act as their individual guide during their stay at Journey Home. A mentor acts as a personal role model and support for the individual woman. Guests meet with their mentor once a week to set goals and review progress. Mentors offer support and direction to the women on how to accomplish their goals, assist them in their studies, homework and skill development. If women need help in writing a resume, completing school assignments, practicing job interview skills, or any other need, their mentor is there to support them in achieving their goals. We have a variety of resources for mentors to access in this role. A volunteer application and interview, background check (at our expense), and training (2 evenings) will be necessary. We suggest you begin as a Houseparent Helper first unless you have comparable experience. (6-8 volunteers)

Journey Home Aftercare Volunteers are assigned a specific guest(s) to regularly call and check on. These will be guests who have left Journey Home. Offering prayer, compassionate listening, resources for needs and encouragement to our former residents is a new program for our Journey Home volunteers, to assist our former residents as they begin independent living. We have a variety of resources for you to access in this role. A volunteer application and interview, background check (at our expense), and training (2 evenings) will be necessary. We suggest you begin as a Houseparent Helper first unless you have comparable experience. (6-8 volunteers)

Journey Home Brightcourse Facilitators will make life skills assignments through the Brightcourse Online Program. They will meet with the girls once a week in person or by phone for a brief discussion of the homework they have completed. There may be additional assignments outside of Brightcourse occasionally if they are determined to be beneficial to the guests.

Journey Home Teachers are asked to provide a plan of what will be taught. We may have anywhere from one to six guests. Flexibility is important in this role.

Childcare / Office-workers work under the supervision of Journey staff/volunteers who have been through training. Childcare may be needed for classes & events on site.

Journey Home Baby Shower Volunteers work together to plan a baby shower for one or more of our residents a month before they are due to deliver. A list of basic necessities has already been put together for your convenience.

Journey Home Recreational Volunteers work together to provide one or more opportunities for our guests to have fun. This includes swim parties, picnics, crafts & devotional, movies, etc.

Journey Home Fundraising Volunteer Team put together fundraisers to support the operating budget of the home. Volunteers who enjoy planning, organizing, and working on committees would be ideal to serve in this area. They work under the supervision of the JH Director.

Individual And Group Projects

Volunteers participating in group projects come to Journey Home and work on various tasks that need to be done on a one-time basis. Examples of group projects include: general cleaning, organizing, outside work, building projects or helping with special events.

Sanitize Toys

- Wiping down indoor and outdoor toys with bleach water, mending and/or replacing broken and incomplete toys, helping us keep a stock of appropriate toys.

Cleaning

- Basic cleaning is the responsibility of the residents, however we could use help with in depth cleaning including treating spots, steam cleaning carpets, vacuuming vents, baseboards, blinds dusted, dirt spots on walls, tables, etc.

Outdoor Maintenance

- Cleaning out garage, wiping down children's outdoor play equipment, and power-washing the front porch, sidewalk, and patios.

Cooking Meals

- We appreciate freezer meals, especially after a baby is born. Groups may bring a meal or prepare a meal on site. To schedule, please contact the houseparent for any diet restrictions. Generally, we ask for healthy meals, low calorie or no dessert, and food that can be consumed by nursing mammas (not too spicy or gas producing!).