



## Individual Volunteer Opportunities

### Clothing Closet Volunteer

- Min 6 month commitment
- Required: demonstrated experience working in a diverse environment
- Preferred experience: retail
- Once a week or twice a month, 2- or 3-hour shift, flexible days/time
- Lift 30-50lb
- Sort through clothing donations and make sure the clothing closet is full
- Organize space by size, style, etc.
- Maintain space cleanliness and order of items
- Periodically interact with young people and help them choose appropriate clothing

### In-kind Donation-Sorting Volunteer

- Min 6 month commitment
- Required: demonstrated experience working in a diverse environment
- Preferred experience: n/a
- Twice a month, 2- or 3-hour shift, flexible days/time
- Lift 30-50lb
- Sort through in-kind donations in the storage room and organize the storage room
- Maintain space cleanliness and order of items

### Child Care/Drop-In Volunteer

- Min 6 month commitment
- Required: demonstrated experience working in a diverse environment
- Preferred experience: creativity and patience in working with kids
- Once a week, 3-hour shift, Mon or Tue, 10am-1pm
- Provide supervision for children ages 0-5
- Maintain space cleanliness and order and cleanliness of items
- Interact with teen parents and model positive childcare behavior
- *If no children are present assist in the Drop-In:*
  - *Play games with youth and engage in meaningful conversations*
  - *Replenish hygiene supplies/other supplies as needed*

### Child Care Volunteer, Housing

- Min 6 month commitment
- Required: demonstrated experience working in a diverse environment
- Preferred experience: creativity and patience in working with kids
- Preferred education/course of study: Early Childhood Development
- Once a week, 3-hour shift, Mon-Thu, morning or afternoon
- Provide supervision for children ages 0-5
- Maintain space cleanliness and order and cleanliness of items
- Interact with teen parents and model positive childcare behavior

**Drop-In Volunteer: Help with breakfast**

- Min 6 month commitment
- Required: demonstrated experience working in a diverse environment
- Preferred experience: food service, hospitality
- Once a week, Tuesday, 8:30am-10am
- Ability to spend 2 hours standing
- Help drop-in staff prepare and serve breakfast for 50 people
  - Focus on variety
    - Food is provided by YouthLink
- Engage in meaningful conversations with youth

**Drop-In Volunteer: General**

- Min 6 month commitment
- Required: demonstrated experience working in a diverse environment
- Preferred experience: high energy, patience, friendliness, openness
- Once a week, 2- or 3-hour shift, typically 10am-1pm, daily, no Wednesdays
- Assist clients with vital documents and assistance programs
- Help clients perform online searches for housing and jobs
- Replenish hygiene supplies/other supplies as needed
- Help drop-in staff provide youth with basic needs access – showers, laundry, hygiene supplies, etc.
- Play games with youth, watch movies, engage in meaningful conversations

**Young Professional Board**

- YouthLink is always accepting applications for positive, motivated young professionals to help on our Young Professional Board.

**Gardener, housing**

- YouthLink is seeking volunteers with a green thumb to assist with planting our spring gardens at Archdale Apartments. Some gardening opportunities may include working directly with young people. Would be open to someone who is also willing to do cooking demos or teaching young people gardening skills. Dates and times are flexible.

For both Groups and Individual Volunteers:

**Skill/craft based**

- Day or evening, 1-3 hours
- Share with youth your particular skill
- Material TBD by the volunteer
- Number of youth able to participate TBD in advance
- Details TBD

**For information on current openings please contact Jelena Song, Volunteer and Donor Relations Manager at [song@youthlinkmn.org](mailto:song@youthlinkmn.org)**