



Volunteer Position Description Adult Mentors for At-Risk School Children

Purpose: Community Lodgings promotes self-sufficiency by helping homeless and low-income children increase academic achievement and decreasing at-risk behavior. We actively recruit adult mentors for at-risk children to work with them in the areas of academics, behavior, civic responsibility and life skills. Mentors meet with children at a mutually agreed upon time.

Location: Community Lodgings' mentor program for at-risk youth is held at our Fifer Family Learning Center, located at 607 Notabene Drive in Alexandria's Arlandria neighborhood, however there is some flexibility in where mentor and mentee meet.

Key Responsibilities:

- Participate in activities organized by the mentor, mentee and Community Lodgings
- Guide mentees through challenges by providing a supportive, safe, and nonjudgmental atmosphere for learning
- Help mentees better understand the world through the lens of your own personal and professional experiences
- Report to Mentor Program Coordinator monthly regarding progress of mentee

Reports to: Mentor Program Coordinator

Length of Appointment: Mentor meets with youth once a week for a minimum of one year.

Time Commitment: 2 hours/week

Qualifications:

- Mature, working professional
- Desire to set positive example for underserved youth

Support: Before Mentor can be assigned a child, s/he meets with program coordinator to discuss position responsibilities and time commitment. Mentor completes the necessary paperwork for clearance. Supervisors discuss student progress with volunteers and inquire about volunteer experiences.

Age Requirement: 21 and older

Dress Code: Casual