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Volunteer Opportunity!

Como Conservatory Chaperone

Objective: Beat the winter cold by chaperoning a participant of one of our Adult Foster Care (AFC) homes on a trip to Como Conservatory.

Responsibilities:

- You will pick our participant up from their AFC and take them on an outing to Como Conservatory and then return them home when finished.
- An introductory meeting will take place at the AFC, prior to the outing, so the participant may meet you ahead of time. Our Volunteer Coordinator will let you know if the participant wants to go on the outing.
- We ask that you call the participant the day of the outing to remind/confirm that you're meeting that day and then later confirm the activity with the Volunteer Coordinator after it has happened. If you do not receive confirmation of the outing from the participant, you may assume it is not on for that day.

Qualifications: Are you a caring individual aged 18+, with a clean criminal record, who would like to spend some time enjoying Como Conservatory with someone who lives with a mental diagnosis? You will need to pass background checks and orientation/training which CIP will provide and perform.

Training & Preparation for the job: You will go through training & orientation at CIP. You will be trained in all aspects needed for your volunteer opportunity, especially Vulnerable Adult and HIPAA training. Background/driving record checks and training usually takes 1.5 – 2 hours.

Benefits: You may impact a participant's quality of life, self-esteem and confidence; you might improve their health, and their sense of feeling needed and valued. You will meet new people, might learn new skills, and your sense of the value of community may expand.

Commitment: This is a one-time commitment activity. If you and the participant enjoy the activity and want to do another, you may work with the Volunteer Coordinator to schedule more activities. It is our hope that if a strong relationship develops it might continue beyond that timeframe. However, if it was not a good match to begin with, a change may be made.

Evaluation: At the end of the commitment, you and the Volunteer Coordinator will evaluate how the activity went and you will be able to give feedback about your experience.

Supervisor: Volunteer Coordinator, Jaime Gjerdingen, text-able cell: 612-314-9413, jgjerdingen@cipmn.org

Print Name _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

CIP staff signature _____

Volunteers shall be recruited without regard to race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, sexual orientation, disability, age and marital status, status with regard to public assistance or membership in the local Human Rights Commission.

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