

Volunteer Opportunities



Opt-in Options Weekly Commitment

Friendship Partner

Get to know a refugee or immigrant family and help them adapt to America by providing consistent friendship, helping them navigate American systems, promoting cultural empowerment, and combating loneliness.

1hr training; 1hr/week for 4-6 months

Youth Tutor

Build a relationship with a refugee or immigrant family of school-aged children and their parents by assisting with homework, the basics of English, and parenting information. Tutor one-on-one or in a group club setting.

1hr training; 1.5hr/week for 4-6 months

Early Childhood Classroom Aide

Support newly arrived families and their young children ages 0 to 5 through emotional support, games, education, and snacks! *30min training; 1.5hr/week; runs throughout the school year*

Health Advocate

Join our health and wellness team as they provide holistic care for our refugee neighbors. You'll be matched with an individual and work with our staff to provide extra care and support. *1hr training; 1hr/week for 4-6 months*

English Language Tutor

Help teach the basics of English to an adult in their home and become friends in the process!

6hr training; 2hr/week for 4-6 months

English Language Class Aide

Assist our English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers as they teach English to adult refugees and immigrants.

6hr training; 2hr/week for 4 months

Citizenship Tutor

Assist immigrants in preparing for their citizenship interview and exam in a one-on-one setting. Held via partner sites both in-person and virtually. *4hr training; 2 hr/week for 4-6 months*

Citizenship Assistant

Assist immigrants with filling out their citizenship application at our citizenship clinics. Held once a month on Fridays at our DuPage office or Saturdays at suburban church sites. *1.5hr training; 4-8hr (half or full-day) opportunity*

Office Assistant

Serve virtually or in-person in one of our 3 locations to provide support around administrative office tasks including such things as returning phone calls, data entry, or sorting donations. *on-site training*

Transportation Assistant

Help refugees and immigrants get where they need to go and access American systems. This can include picking up a newly arrived refugee family at the airport, navigating the DMV together, or transporting them to important appointments. *1hr training & WR vehicle orientation*

Apartment Set-Up Assistant

Help create a home for our new neighbors by donating, delivering, and/or setting up furniture & Welcome Kit items in their new homes alongside WR staff. Additionally, volunteers can help us stay organized in our warehouse. *on-site training*

Questions? VolunteerChicagoland@wr.org
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