



A Family For Every Child

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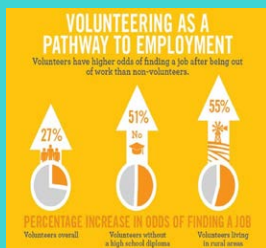
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Volunteer Fact of the Month

Volunteering is a pathway to employment!



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Volunteer of the Month:



My name is Amber Padron and I am a Mentor Program Intern at AFFEC. Initially, I applied to work with this organization because I wanted to learn more about advocating for the adoption process. It turns out that I have learned so much more than I had hoped for! I moved to Oregon last year from beautiful

Bellingham, WA where I worked with kids on the Autism Spectrum and volunteered as a running coach for Girls On The Run International. I have a B.A. in Psychology from Western Washington University and currently I am a preschool and childcare worker here in Eugene. My experience here has renewed my passion for empowering at-risk youth and it has introduced me to hard-working, like-minded people. Thank you AFFEC for this invaluable opportunity!

Volunteer Positions

Below you will find a list of some of our more urgent volunteer needs. For more information on these and many other positions, please visit our website to view all of our opportunities and to complete our [Volunteer Application](#).

Annual Event Volunteers:



Our Annual Home for the Holidays Event will be held on Thursday, November 13, 2014. We have positions ranging all aspects of this evening. From Event Coordination to Donation Procurement, from Mailing Invitations to Sending Thank-Yous, from Decoration/Set Up to Take Down, there is a place

for everyone! We would love to have your assistance with this very special Annual Event!

Heart Gallery Venue Volunteers:



We have need of Heart Gallery Venue Volunteers for the following Heart Galleries:

Siuslaw Bank in Oakridge
Holly Residential Care
Putters
Strike City

This position helps with the delivery of photos and supplies to Heart Gallery venues. Once per month, Venue Volunteers will pick up new photos from our office and exchange them with photos already in the Heart Gallery Venue. This typically takes a little over an hour per month, depending on your location. It is a great activity to do with your children to get them involved in volunteer service; even the little ones! Families often exchange photos in more than one Venue, though that is not required.

Blog Contributors/Writers:



We are in need of creative writers! Intern duties would include writing blog posts regarding adoption, family relations, foster care issues, success stories etc. Editing services would be

provided before final posting.

Family Finding Interns/Volunteers:



Some Family Finding positions require a background check, while others do not. These dedicated volunteers help search for connections that children in foster care often lose. This is such an important role as the connections you find could prove to be an actual placement for a waiting child! It means much more than that; you could be part of helping a child learn their history, regain some of what they may have lost during their time in foster care.

Search Engine Optimization Intern:



Our SEO Intern would explore all avenues of Google and Bing Search Engine Optimization, including: oral and written communication skills, with ability to communicate with diverse populations, computer skills / ability to understand HTML, experience using Dreamweaver or equivalent, well organized with attention to detail and the ability to carry out tasks independently, and to meet deadlines.

Targeted Notification Volunteer/Intern:



Also known as a Targeted Email Volunteer/Intern, this position requires solid Microsoft Word and Excel experience and an attention to detail. The ability to manipulate and edit photos is also a plus. This position involves creating email notifications for children in need of adoption.

And so many more! We have a place for everyone! Visit our website at www.afamilyforeverychild.org to learn about all of our Volunteer and Intern opportunities!

VOLUNTEERING REMAINS STRONG

1 in 4 Americans volunteer (26.5%),
enhancing opportunities for their neighbors and communities.
64.5 million Americans served 7.9 billion hours.
Estimated value: \$175 billion.

Volunteering and Civic Life in America 2013
National, Regional, State, and City Information

You can learn more [HERE!](#)

This is a great place to see where your state ranks! A Family For Every Child's home state of Oregon ranks 11th in the nation with 34.1% of

residents volunteering in 2013, 51.8 volunteer hours per resident, 1.10 million volunteers, resulting in \$3.6 billion of service contributed! A Family For Every Child benefited from many of these wonderful volunteers and for that, we are extremely grateful!



No one who achieves success does so without acknowledging the help of others. The wise and confident acknowledge this help with gratitude. ~Author Unknown