



2012 VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Rainbow Days is grateful for our team of over **1,100 volunteers** who help us and give more than **4,900 hours** in service each year. Whether one day a week, a few hours a month or giving an entire day or week at one of our many special events for the children we serve, we are thankful for our faithful volunteers. We need your help to make our programs a success! A criminal background check, completed volunteer application and volunteer orientation are required to begin volunteering with Rainbow Days.

Please contact Mitzi White, Rainbow Days' Volunteer Coordinator at - 214-217-3851/ mitziw@rdikids.org

Summer Day Camp Volunteers: We need caring adults who love to be around children! Volunteers are needed to work all of our summer day camps for homeless children this summer. Dates and times are listed below, varying depending on the camp. Volunteers will work as "chaperones" to children throughout the week at camp and serving as mentors as you guide them through classes, offer encouragement and assist them.

KIDS' UNIVERSITY #1 - June 5-8, 2012

KIDS' UNIVERSITY #2 - June 19-22, 2012

Location: University of Texas at Dallas - 800 West Campbell Road, Richardson, Tx 75080

20 Volunteers per camp *All volunteer assignments are subject to change*

- CAMP HELPERS (**daytime/week commitment**)
- "PLAYTIME PALS" - Lunch time outdoor activities and crafts (Great corporate/organizational volunteer team building activity)
- LOADING, UNLOADING, SET-UP AND TEAR DOWN. (6 volunteers)
****Volunteers with access to Trucks and/or Moving Vans will be greatly appreciated****

CAMP BRAVO #1 - July 9-13, 2012

CAMP BRAVO #2 - July 23 - 27, 2012

Location: Fellowship Bible Church - 9330 N. Central Expressway, Dallas, Tx 75231

20 Volunteers per camp *All volunteer assignments are subject to change*

- CAMP HELPERS (**daytime/week commitment**)
- "PLAYTIME PALS" - Lunch time outdoor activities and crafts (Great corporate/organizational volunteer team building activity)
- LOADING, UNLOADING, SET-UP AND TEAR DOWN. (6 volunteers)
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OUTDOOR ADVENTURE CAMP - August 6-9, 2012

Location: Mt. Lebanon Camp - 1701 Texas Plume Rd, Cedar Hill, Tx 75104

20 Volunteers per camp *All volunteer assignments are subject to change*

- CAMP HELPERS (**daytime/week commitment**)
- LOADING, UNLOADING, SET-UP AND TEAR DOWN. (10 volunteers TOTAL)
****Volunteers with access to Trucks and/or Moving Vans will be greatly appreciated****

BACK-TO-SCHOOL Celebration - August 15, 2012

FULL DAY COMMITMENT ONLY

Location: Market Hall, 2200 Stemmons Freeway, Dallas, Texas 75207

175 Volunteers *All volunteer assignments are subject to change*:

Back-to-School Celebration: In partnership with the Dallas Market Center and Captain Hope's Kids, Rainbow Days hosts a large back-to-school celebration each August for the homeless children and families we serve. We need adult volunteers to help us manage this carnival-like event where over 500 homeless children and families will come to enjoy games, music and refreshments while receiving a brand new backpack filled with school supplies and brand new school uniforms. Volunteers will help greet guests, assist with registration, serve as face painters, supervise and manage carnival-like games, pass out refreshments, distribute uniforms and backpacks, helping set up and tear down. We are in need of school supply donors and creative carnival booths and/or games to help make this event a success.

- GAMES, REGISTRATION, REFRESHMENTS, FACE PAINTERS, SAFETY MONITORS, ETC. (*135 volunteers TOTAL*)
 - LOADING, UNLOADING, SET-UP, TEARDOWN AND CLEANING EVENT SPACE (*40 volunteers TOTAL*)
20 volunteers to help with loading and unloading and 20 volunteers to organize event space, games, uniforms and backpacks inventory & distribution set-up and room decorating, requires some lifting.
- **Volunteers with access to Trucks and/or Moving Vans will be greatly appreciated****

ONGOING VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

Office Angels: We need help each week in the office working on a variety of projects ranging from administrative support, preparing for special events, support groups, learning tool kits and summer programs. Whether you are an individual or part group, your help would be appreciated. If you are interested in volunteering in the office, please contact Mitzi to inquire about current opportunities. Office hours are Monday through Friday, 9am to 5pm.

Committees: Get involved with Rainbow Days by giving of your time and using our special talents. We are actively recruiting members for:

- **Marketing / Public Relations Committee** – Use your creative skills to help get Rainbow Days' name and message out into the community.

In-Kind Needs List

In-Kind Donations – Over \$300,000 in **goods and services** are donated to Rainbow Days each year. Whether you are a professional wishing to donate your expertise and skills or you are an individual donor wishing to provide our organization with tangible supplies and products, we would appreciate your support. Our current need for **NEW in-kind donations** of supplies and items include:

- ***Art supplies (crayons, washable markers, construction paper, play dough)***
- ***Backpacks and Back-to-school supplies***
- ***Beach towels, swimsuits (all sizes for boys and girls), flip flops (all sizes for boys and girls)***
- ***Camp Lunch Sponsor – Donate the food or underwrite the cost of lunches for a day!***
- ***Snacks - Non-perishable healthy individually wrapped snacks (crackers, fruit chips, fruit snacks)***
- ***Summer Camp – water bottles, portable fans, water spritzers***
- ***T-Shirts and printing for Summer Camps***
- ***Vans / Trucks for Moving Supplies***
- ***Snacks for group celebrations; chips, mini-size candies, small trinkets, toy cars, princess jewelry, prizes***

**Get Involved Today! Contact Mitzi White at mitziw@rdikids.org / 214-217-3851
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