



Rivers of Hope is seeking community members to help end family violence!

Since 1989, Rivers of Hope has ensured that victims living in the midst of violence and crisis receive a rapid response and ongoing support to ensure long-term safety. The organization serves residents of Sherburne and Wright Counties and is the sole provider of community advocacy and support services for adult and youth victims of domestic violence in these communities.

Volunteer Opportunities

- General Office Support
- Answering Calls: Day Time During Office Hours
- Sorting Clothing and Household Donations
- Crisis Line: Evenings, Overnights, or Weekends and/or On Call
- Child Care During Support Group
- Representing ROH at Community Events by Manning an Information Table (with or without ROH staff)
- Delivering ROH Marketing Materials to Local Businesses
- Helping Plan Fundraising Events (annual gala etc.)
- Providing Support at Fundraising Events

Qualifications

All volunteers must:

- Be at least 18 years of age at the time of training.
- Complete a volunteer application and agree to a criminal background check.
- Have an open mind to issues pertaining to sexual assault, relationship violence, substance abuse, choice, race, gender, age, ability, and other cultural differences.
- Have the desire and ability to work with individuals and groups of varying backgrounds.
- Agree to maintain strict confidentiality.
- Have access to a phone and the internet.
- Have actively participated in their own healing from past abuse and are able to maintain appropriate personal boundaries.

Requirements

Volunteers must be self-motivated, mature, sensitive and dependable. In addition, volunteers must agree to represent Rivers of Hope and to support its philosophy, to perform in a professional manner whenever so doing, and to refrain from allowing personal views and opinions from overshadowing or conflicting with Rivers of Hope's purpose, policies and procedures.

An interview and training is required. We will contact you about scheduling a time after receiving your application and a completed criminal background check. The purpose of the interview is to give you an overview of our agency, learn about current volunteer opportunities and describe the training process.

Thank you for your interest in volunteering for Rivers of Hope!

Because of the sensitive nature of the work, it is important that only those who have a strong sense of commitment, responsibility, and dedication apply. People from all different backgrounds and with all different experiences are encouraged to become volunteers. We seek bilingual volunteers and we enthusiastically support academic internships.

Your Availability: Please write in days and time range available.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AM						
PM						

Volunteer Application

Contact Info:

Name _____

Address _____

City/State _____

Cell phone _____ Email _____

Experience:

Summarize special skills and qualifications you have acquired from employment, previous volunteer work, or through other activities.

Summarize your previous volunteer experience.

What do you expect to gain from volunteering?

How did you hear about Rivers of Hope?

Please explain your understanding of domestic violence.

Have you ever received services from Rivers of Hope? _____ Yes _____ No

Why do you want to volunteer for Rivers of Hope?

Do you anticipate any problems integrating the crisis lines with your family, job, or other commitments?

Have you ever been convicted of a felony, gross misdemeanor or any type of assaultive behavior (if yes please describe)?

References:

Name	Phone	E-mail	Relationship