

November/December 2009 Volunteer Opportunities **www.gsu.edu/service**

Furniture Bank of Metro Atlanta

Date: November 9, 2009

Location: 538 Permalume Place, Atlanta, GA 30318

Time: 7:30AM - 4:30PM

Contact: Volunteer Coordinator @ (404) 355-8530

More Info: www.furniturebankatlanta.org

The FBMA is a non-profit organization serving thousands over the 16 plus years it has been in operation. The furniture distributed out to individuals and families is held in our 21,000 square foot warehouse. The Furniture Bank relies heavily on good useable furniture donated to the program from homes and businesses throughout the Metropolitan Atlanta area.

2008 Run for Justice 2009

Dates: November 14, 2009

Location: 650 East Lake Drive, Decatur, GA 30030

Time: 7:30AM-11:30AM

Contact: (404) 327-7738

More info: www.atlantalegalaid.org

Atlanta Legal Aid Society will hold its 18th Run for Justice in Oakhurst to benefit the general operating fund of the Atlanta Legal Aid Society. Awards will be presented to the top 5-k finishers and teams in a variety of categories. Corporate, church, school and community teams are urged to join us. All participants will receive a long-sleeve t-shirt. We are also recruiting race day volunteers to monitor the course and register participants for the 5-k race/walk.

Piedmont Park Conservancy

Dates: November 21 and December 19, 2009 (Saturday)

Location: Atlanta, GA 30306

Time: 9:00AM-12:00PM

More info: www.handsonatlanta.org

Participate in Piedmont Park Conservancy's Clean and Green Days! Volunteers are needed put their "heart and soil" into landscaping, mulching, planting and cleanup efforts.

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Holiday at the Hospital

Dates: December 5, 2009

Location: Southwest Christian Care

Time: 8:30AM-10:30AM

Contact: Kelada Gilbert @ (404) 512-5852

More info: www.hospitalart.com

The Foundation for Hospital Art is dedicated to involving patients and volunteers worldwide to create colorful, soothing artwork that is donated to hospitals to help soften the often stressful hospital experience for patients, families and hospital staff. Volunteers are needed to create art to help make healthcare facilities beautiful places for healing. NO ARTISTIC EXPERIENCE is necessary...everyone can participate...all you need is a heart to make beautiful things happen.

Foundation for Hospital Art/Operation Lovejoy

Date: December 12, 2009

Location: Foundation for Hospital Art/Operation Lovejoy

Time: 8:30AM-10:30AM

Contact: FFHA @ (678) 324-1705

More Info: www.hospitalart.com

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Refugee Resettlement and Immigration Services of Atlanta

Dates: ongoing

Location: 4151 Memorial Drive, 205D, Decatur, GA 30032

Time: varies

Contact: Phyllis Rowe @ Phyllis@rrisa.org or call 404 622 2235

More info: rrisa.org

RRISA provides assistance to refugees resettling in Metro Atlanta. Assistance with setting up apartments for new arrivals, clothing distribution, tutoring children and adults in English, etc. This is a great project for student groups.

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Discovery Program at Thomasville Heights (tutoring)

Dates: Saturday mornings

Location: Thomasville Heights Elementary (Southeast Atlanta)

Time: 9:15AM - 12:15PM

Contact: Andrea Thomas

athomas@handsonatlanta.org

(404) 979-2876

More Info: www.handsonatlanta.org

Thomasville Heights Elementary is a Saturday morning tutoring program that offers one-on-one and small group enrichment activities for children. We need volunteers to work with students one on one to prepared lessons organized by community school captains and grade captains. Volunteers lead activities and help with reading and math.

Cool Girls, Inc. (Mentoring)

Dates: ongoing (volunteer orientations held each month on the 3rd Thursday)

Location: DeKalb and Fulton counties

Time: varies

Contact: (404) 420-4362

More info: www.thecoolgirls.org

Volunteers play a crucial role in support of our holistic effort to change outcomes for girls living in poverty. Volunteers tutor girls during our after school program. Under the supervision of Cool Girls staff volunteers provide invaluable instruction to insure girls have the academic support needed to be active engaged learners. Cool Sisters provide one to one mentoring to Cool Girls, exposing them to a broader range of multi cultural experiences.

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Samaritan's House Café 458 (homeless issues)

Dates: daily (orientations on Wednesdays)

Location: Edgewood Avenue (downtown)

Time: varies

Contact: Alison Smith at Volunteer@samhouse.org or call 404.446-4680.

More info: www.cafe458atl.com

Samaritan House of Atlanta transforms lives by helping homeless men and women achieve self-sufficiency through personalized employment readiness and life stabilization programs. Volunteers are needed to help with meal preparation and service tasks. You can serve meals to clients who are homeless and those with low incomes, or serve meals to paying members of the public, whose bills go to Samaritan house programs.

Medical Translator

Dates: Ongoing

Location: Grady Health System 30303

Time: Volunteers are needed Monday - Friday during normal business hours.

Contact: Brooke Eldridge @ beldridge@gmh.edu or call (404) 616-4360

More info: www.gradyhealthsystem.org

Volunteers are needed to work with Language Interpretive Services and the International Medical Center. These are two distinct areas. LIS Volunteers assist in the health care of non-English speaking patients and their families. Volunteers will interpret in non-medical situations and respond to general inquiries of patients, provide knowledge of Grady's policies and procedures, assist in promoting awareness of patients' rights as non-English speakers, and work with medical interpreters in various Grady departments. Help in the main office with phone, and other clerical duties. IMC volunteers assist in the care of English and non-English speaking patients and their families. Volunteers will interpret in non-medical situations, respond to general inquiries, provide knowledge of Grady's policies and procedures and assist in promoting awareness of patients' rights to patients, staff, other departments, and the community. The volunteer will also maintain organization in the clinic and office settings.