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2022 Cambridge Women's Center Volunteer Application

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at the Women's Center! Volunteers keep the Women's Center going. The center is an anti-racism community willing to interrupt and challenge oppression of any form and dedicated to empower women. If you would like to be part of this unique organization, please fill out the following application.

The Cambridge Women's Center is open to anyone for whom woman is a meaningful identifier or lived experience. We offer a space for learning, emotional support, empathy, and empowerment through self-determination. We serve a very diverse population including people of different races, many are homeless, are dealing with past or present trauma, struggling with mental health issues, and more. Volunteers enable us to keep our doors open.

Learn more about our work by visiting our website: <u>www.cambridgewomenscenter.org</u> Please email <u>info@cambridgewomenscenter.org</u> with any questions or concerns. We look forward to hearing from you!

Name (First Name, Last Name):

Email Address:

Phone number:

Address (Street, City, State, Zip)

Do you have past experience in direct service, such as working in a community center, homeless shelter, food pantry, restaurant, etc.? Please describe.

What particularly interests you about volunteering at the CWC?

What strengths or skills do you feel would make you a good volunteer?

Please talk about any previous experience you have had with other non-profit organizations and/or any experience you have had with people experiencing homelessness, poverty, substance abuse, trauma, mental health issues, discrimination, and/or social injustice:

If there was a situation in which you saw discrimination occurring, how comfortable would you be intervening? Could you give an example of what you have done or would do?

What time and days are you available to volunteer? (the CWC is open for drop-in Tuesdays, 1-6pm, Thursdays and Saturdays, 1-6pm. Volunteers are needed to prep before and close up after, and to receive food deliveries earlier in those (or other) days.

Tuesdays

Thursdays

Saturdays

Other

Would you prefer to come in weekly, every other week, more than once a week, or?

Or:

Would you want to volunteer: once a week every other week more than once a week What time and days are you available to volunteer?

How long are you expecting to be available to volunteer?

Indefinitely Full year 6 months Summer only Other:

Are you fluent in any language besides English? If Yes, what languages?

Please indicate the areas you are interested in working with:

Drop-in: Provide needed materials goods, including prepared food, beverages, T passes, hand and foot warmers, toilet paper, facemasks, hand purifier, gloves, socks, etc; assist with use of laptops, phones and tablets; provide emotional support; help locate needed resources. Face masks are currently required. Preferably shifts vary from 2-6 hours, weekly or biweekly. Yes/No

Facilitate groups/workshops: A great opportunity to bring women and gender-fluid folks together to share, support and learn from each other. Groups meet weekly, monthly, or as preferred. Yes/No

Computer maintenance: Help to keep the Women's Center computers in good working condition by performing routine check-ups, software update, and other needed tasks. Yes/No

Outreach: Help spread the word and increase visibility/attendance of all the Women's Center activities through a variety of ways, such as tweeting, blogging, contacting media, or posting flyers. Yes/No

Fundraising: Help with many tasks, from writing thank you letters, record-keeping, researching donors and foundations, exploring raising funds through social media, event planning, etc. Yes/No

Tabling/assisting with events: getting food donations, organizing, staffing during events. Set up/Tear down Yes/No

Cleaning: It's a big space! A clean space makes it safer and more welcoming! Yes/No

Other: Such as picking up or receiving donated food, running errands, assisting women with special needs, updating resource information, creating flyers, or something else. Please circle. Yes/No

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