

"Seek to do good, and you
will find that happiness will
run after you." - James
Freeman Clarke



Volunteer Of the Month!

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My experience with A Family For Every Child has been one I know I will never forget. My work with the agency started in the Fall during my first term of my senior year at the University of Oregon. I was required to find an internship for one of my classes so I did

some searching and tried a few places on for size before finally settling down here. I've always enjoyed doing work relating to the care or education of children so this truly has been the perfect fit for me.

In my time interning and volunteering here I have taken on many roles. My main working title is as a Family Adoption Specialist, and more specifically within that role, a Matching Assistant. What I do is get to know any families that have been assigned to me by reading their biography pages and by emailing and talking with them on the phone. After learning about their adoption preferences I compile a National Child Search document with possible child matches from all over the nation and send it to the family. Other various tasks I have taken on include: event planning, child listing, business calls, newsletter formatting, etc. This volunteer experience has guided me toward an interest I never realized I had, and my supervisors, and friends, have taught me so much. After graduating, my plan is to enter the field of social work to continue helping children and families in need.

*The moral test of a society is how that society treats those who are in the dawn of life - the children; those who are in the twilight of life - the elderly; and those who are in the shadow of life - the sick, the needy and the handicapped. -
Hubert Humphrey*

Top Ten Reasons to Volunteer

1. When you stay home you get too many telemarketing calls.
2. Your family could use a break from you.
3. You might need help yourself some day.
4. It's hard to win a game of solitaire.
5. Soap operas all sound alike.
6. If you don't go out each day, you get old.

7. **Why let your boss have all the fun in life?**
8. **The car needs a workout.**
9. **Your mom would be proud of you.**
10. **Who cares about money?**

-- Unknown

Volunteer/Internship Positions



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.

Data Entry Specialist and Special Projects Volunteer:



Data Entry Specialist enter written into our database, effectively communicating with foster care professionals, in addition to being able to problem solve and correct discrepancies. Individuals interested in this role would provide essential support by carrying out database clean up projects, internet search projects, survey projects, among other tasks. High level of written and oral language skills are required. This position does not include numerical entries.

Mentor Program:



Mentors would need to be enthusiastic, dedicated, and caring adult members of the Eugene community who can positively influence youth in foster care. As a mentor, you would help children develop confidence, independence, and everyday life skills. Mentors also provide friendship, encouragement, and support foster youth through the various transitions in their lives. You must be a stable and positive role model who can commit to at least 10 hours a month to their mentee.

Marketing Intern/Volunteer:



A Web Child Listing volunteer would need to complete a simple training and have excellent oral and written communication skills and have computer knowledge. Experience with Microsoft Excel and PowerPoint programs are a plus! This position is heavy with written communications type of data entry.

Family Adoption Specialist:



Family Adoption Specialists are responsible for supporting families through the adoption process, being available to help answer questions, and assuring that families are kept informed throughout the process. Volunteers would need to be supportive, empathetic, and well-organized along with being able to work unsupervised and have excellent oral and written skills. This position also requires a high level of professionalism and specific training is provided.

Child Recruiter:



Child Recruiters work with Child and Family Operations to develop outreach plans to engage casework in other states and recruit more children nationwide. They help make plans for kids coming into the program and identify possible barriers and solutions. Recruiters would need to be well organized, have excellent oral and written skills, and have the ability to make deadlines.

Web Volunteer/Intern:



AFFEC is looking for volunteers who are educated in these areas: PHP/HTML/CSS/Dreamweaver CS5, SMS/texting, familiar with frameworks, object oriented programming in C#, Java, or C++, familiarity with TCP/IP, familiarity with SQL and interfacing to programs.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THESE POSITIONS,
PLEASE VISIT [OUR WEBSITE](#).
TO APPLY, PLEASE FILL OUT [OUR VOLUNTEER FORM](#).**

Volunteers are the only human beings on the face of the earth who reflect this nation's compassion, unselfish caring, patience, and just plain love for one another. -Erma Bombeck

