Check-in Volunteer Job Description

We provide open doors to safety, wellness and dignity for our city's homeless. www.bdhh.org



POSITION OVERVIEW: Guest check-in for an overnight stay takes place from 6:30-8 p.m. each evening, 365 days a year. Volunteers may greet guests as they arrive, assist staff with the check-in process or help guests with required paperwork. Volunteers may also assist staff with the distribution of sheets, towels and toiletries. BDHH is closed from 5:30-6:30 p.m. each evening; many guests walk across the street and have supper at The Banquet during this time. A staff person will admit volunteers when they arrive at 6 p.m. Guests line up at the front door and are admitted a few at a time beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Note: This position requires a tour and meeting with the volunteer coordinator prior to a first shift. Your first shift will be to shadow a staff member or experienced check-in volunteer.

Time required: Weekdays and weekends: 6 to 8 p.m. Volunteers needed: Flexible, individuals and group

RESPONSIBILITIES

- Arrive at 6 p.m. and check in with the shift supervisor for specific instructions.
- Assist staff as they check in guests ask guests for first and last name, check them in on the BDHH using tablets and assign them a bunk. Guests then get a top and fitted sheet bundle (during winter months, blankets are also available). A new guest will be asked to complete paperwork and sign guest handbook.
- Distribute towels and toiletries and assist with laundry requests.
- Assist staff as needed. You may be asked to check temperatures, use the security metal detector wand or answer phone calls.

EXPECTATIONS

- Complete a brief orientation and tour with the Volunteer Coordinator prior to your first shift.
- Contact us if you are unable to come; stay home if you are not feeling well.
- Come with an open heart to best serve the needs of the day.
- Dress appropriately: no tank tops or revealing shorts. Closed toe shoes are recommended. We recommend wearing gloves, which will be provided.
- Love thy neighbor. Respect the dignity of others.
- Before departing, log out and list volunteer hours in the volunteer binder at the front desk.
- Have fun, smile and enjoy your time with us. We and the guests are grateful you are here!

QUESTIONS?

- Contact the Volunteer Coordinator at <u>volunteer@bdhh.org</u> or 605-809-8423
- General questions about BDHH: info@bdhh.org

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