



## **EPISCOPAL CHILDREN'S SERVICES VOLUNTEER POSITIONS**

### **Disaster Relief**

ECS is seeking volunteers who don't mind getting their hands dirty to help with cleanup inside and outside of our facilities after local weather disasters occur. Our children are our first priority and hazardous facility conditions are a hindrance to their ability to return to school. So, it is important to complete post-disaster cleanup and repairs as soon as possible. We have both inside and outside projects available and there are many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required for long-term projects.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Physical Labor; Skilled Labor; Cleanup/General

### **Painters**

ECS is seeking enthusiastic volunteers to help us maintain the paint on the inside and outside of our facilities. Our children are our first priority and chipping, or peeling paint can be dangerous. So, it is important to keep our centers as well-maintained as possible at all times. Replacing chipped paint with a fresh coat not only keeps the children safe, but, it keeps ECS in line with childcare licensing requirements. We have both inside and outside painting projects and there are many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Physical Labor; Skilled Labor

### **Landscaping**

Our children and families always come first. But, landscapes are important too, even if they do sometimes get overlooked. At ECS, we believe our facility grounds are the aesthetic trim work on all that we do. We are seeking volunteers who don't mind getting their hands dirty to complete grounds cleanup, mowing and landscaping projects. The schedules are flexible and we have many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Environment

Interest & Ability: Cleanup/General Labor; Physical Labor; Skilled Labor

## **Receptionist/Office Helper**

Here, at ECS, we make it our mission to welcome all children, parents and visitors to our centers with a smile. We are seeking joyful volunteers interested in meeting and greeting our families and providing ongoing reception support (answering phones, signing visitors in/out, and other clerical duties). The schedule is flexible and we have many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Clerical; Education; Seniors; Social

## **Special Events Talent**

Do you have a special talent that would provide wholesome fun for our children? Maybe you're a gifted face painter, caricature or balloon artist, or a theatrical storyteller. Do you have a magical singing voice? Are you a puppeteer seeking a captivated audience? Maybe you're a creative photographer or videographer. ECS conducts ongoing events throughout the year at our centers and at larger venues and we are always seeking talented volunteers to help entertain our little ones or to capture fun memories to ensure our events are truly unforgettable. Level 2 background screening may be required.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Client Interaction; Education; Social

## **Readers**

Our children love to be read to! And, it's even more fun when they get to make a new friend in the process. We are always looking for enthusiastic volunteers to come into our classrooms for story time. The schedules are flexible and we have many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Client Interaction; Education; Seniors; Social

## **Book Drive**

At ECS, we love having our volunteers on-site! But, we also know it is sometimes not possible due to scheduling limitations. Books to replenish our Lending Libraries is an ongoing need, here

at ECS. One of the best ways to directly impact our children's literacy development is by hosting a drive to collect reading materials for children ages 0-5. Some of the most successful drives have been hosted by businesses and agencies concerned about the literacy development of children in their local community. Please contact us for more information on this rewarding opportunity.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Education; Social

### **Diapers/Wipes or Supply Drive**

At ECS, we love having our volunteers on-site! But, we also know it is sometimes not possible due to scheduling limitations. Diapers and wipes and classroom supplies are an ongoing need, here at ECS. One of the best ways to directly impact our children and families is by hosting a drive to collect these essential items. Some of the most successful drives have been hosted by businesses and agencies concerned about the health and well-being of members of their local community. Please contact us for more information on this rewarding opportunity.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Health & Wellness

### **Gardening**

Do you have a green thumb you'd like to put to good use? Here at ECS, we make health, nutrition and agriculture an important part of our curriculum. If we can teach our children the skills necessary to live healthy productive lives and to appreciate the beauty of nature, they can make a lasting impact on the environment for years to come. We are seeking volunteers to plant and/or help maintain vegetable or flower gardens at our centers. Gardening volunteers may have an opportunity to assist the children in learning how to plant and care for their very own garden, while creating an agricultural space for ongoing learning. The schedules are flexible and we have many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Environment

Interest & Ability: Cleanup/General Labor; Physical Labor; Education; Health

### **Share Your Experiences**

Have you traveled to interesting places? Do you love your career? Or, maybe you had a multi-cultural adventure you'd like to share. Our children love making new friends and learning all about their interesting experiences. Not only is it loads of fun, it helps broaden their perspective of the world around them, and beyond! ECS is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to share their stories with our curious little kiddos. The schedules are flexible and we have many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

Timeframe: Ongoing

Ages 16-100

Indoors/Outdoors

Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Client Interaction; Education; Seniors; Social

### **Classroom Support**

Share your love of children by volunteering in one of our Head Start or Early Head Start classrooms. Our children and teachers welcome new faces and are always grateful for an extra hand! The schedules are flexible and we have many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

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### **Arts & Crafts**

Do you consider yourself an amateur van Gogh? Are your craft ideas sought by Pinterest users around the world? Or, maybe you're more of a Play-Doh connoisseur. No matter your level of expertise (or lack thereof), your time spent making memories with our kiddos will be priceless! The schedules are flexible and we have many centers to choose from. Level 2 background screening may be required.

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### **Tabletop Greenhouses**

At ECS, we love having our volunteers on-site! But, we also know it is sometimes not possible due to scheduling limitations. One of our most unique off-site volunteer opportunities is making tabletop greenhouses to support our classroom Science curriculum. Here, at ECS, we are especially fond of finding ways to teach our children about the environment, including plant growth and development. The tabletop greenhouse is a great way to offer children this

opportunity through caring for their very own mini garden inside the classroom! Click on the links below for examples and information on what it takes to build a tabletop greenhouse.

\*Greenhouses must not be made of glass or contain harmful elements.

Examples:

[https://www.google.com/search?q=tabletop+greenhouse&safe=strict&rlz=1C1NHXL\\_enUS726US726&source=lnms&tbn=isch&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwiAnpD47c7bAhXQ61MKHZFpDSwQ\\_AUICygC&biw=2133&bih=1054](https://www.google.com/search?q=tabletop+greenhouse&safe=strict&rlz=1C1NHXL_enUS726US726&source=lnms&tbn=isch&sa=X&ved=0ahUKEwiAnpD47c7bAhXQ61MKHZFpDSwQ_AUICygC&biw=2133&bih=1054)

Tabletop Greenhouse Article:

<https://food-hacks.wonderhowto.com/news/grow-fresh-herbs-veggies-indoors-with-tabletop-greenhouse-0162179/>

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Impact Area: Children & Families

Interest & Ability: Environment; Education; Physical Labor

Volunteer Hours

Monday – Friday

8a – 4p

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON THIS AGENCY, PLEASE VISIT THEIR WEBSITE**

<https://www.ecs4kids.org/>