Feeding San Diego Volunteer Opportunity

Title: Mobile Pantry Ambassador
Volunteer Type: Remote Volunteer
Department(s): Programs
Reports To: Dana Henderson, Director of Programs
Time Commitment: 5-10 hours per week (includes driving time)

Impact

Feeding San Diego (FSD) is the leading hunger-relief organization in the County. Volunteers help with various duties that make it possible for our staff to meet the needs of 63,000 kids and families facing hunger each week. FSD’s Mobile Pantry Ambassador will help ensure consistency and stability at a variety of different partner distributions throughout the County, from our urban to rural communities. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

Major Responsibilities/Tasks

Feeding San Diego operates direct service food distributions at over 60 urban and rural locations throughout San Diego County to provide food and other hunger-relief resources. Help support the integrity of our program by promoting FSD’s policies and procedures at each distribution. The Mobile Pantry Ambassador will help provide rule clarification, ensure food safety and personal safety standards are being met, and help resolve minor community conflicts. Our direct service distributions are mostly led by other volunteers, so being able to interact confidently with other community members is an important part of this role.

Required Qualifications

- Ability to work in a variety of settings with culturally-diverse families and communities with the ability to be culturally sensitive and appropriate
- Ability to work independently and collaboratively
- Able to approach situations with an open mind and resolve conflicts fairly
- Flexible schedule
- Must be 18 years or older
• Reliable transportation and possession of a valid driver's license, a satisfactory driving record, and proof of personal vehicle insurance.
• Be able to visit 2-5 distribution locations per week, or roughly 10-20 per month

Preferred Abilities

• Previous volunteer experience with a non-profit organization or food bank
• Food handler card
• Bilingual, Spanish preferred

Benefits

Volunteers will receive an orientation and training from FSD, which will provide not only a functioning knowledge of the organization, but also an education on the state of hunger in San Diego. Training will also include interacting with donors and vendors, proper lifting techniques, and food safety policies.

Volunteer hours will be logged and service letters are available upon completion of a minimum time commitment (upon request).

Directly see the impact of your help on the partner sites that make our mission possible.

Training Schedule

The Volunteer Programs Manager will schedule the Community Ambassador orientation. This orientation provides volunteers with an understanding of Feeding San Diego as a whole before your role-specific training. The Director of Programs will then provide a more role-specific orientation and answer any questions.

How to Apply

Please complete the Volunteer Application. Volunteers will be required to complete a background check provided by Feeding San Diego.