



Volunteer & Internship Application

**"How wonderful it is that nobody need wait a single moment before
starting to improve the world."
-Anne Frank, writer**

OUR VISION

A community founded in respect and equality that is free from violence, abuse, and power imbalances.

OUR MISSION

To address the roots and impact of domestic and sexual violence through services that enhance safety, empower survivors, and promote understanding and social justice within our community.

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Application for Volunteer and Internship Service

Personal Information

Name _____ Date _____

Last First Middle

Address _____

Phone Number _____ Email _____

Are you 18 years of age or older? Yes No Date of Birth _____ - _____ - _____

Current Status

____ High School Student School _____

____ University Student Major/Year _____

____ Community Resident

____ Community Group Organization Name _____

____ Other

How did you hear about ACCESS opportunities? _____

What certifications do you hold (if any)? _____

Prior Experience

Volunteer/Community Involvement

<i>Organization</i>	<i>Role/Responsibilities</i>	<i>Length of Time</i>
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Employment Information

<i>Employer</i>	<i>Role/Responsibilities</i>	<i>Length of Time</i>
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Volunteer Job Descriptions

Require Training - 32 hours of Victim Counselor Training - (Trainings held in January, May, & September)
Please check the area(s) with which you are interested in becoming involved:

_____ **Housing Advocate** *(Provide support to survivors of Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault. Advocates are responsible for answering the Housing Crisis Line, providing peer counseling and seeing to basic needs of Housing Clients, and light housekeeping of emergency housing sites. Housing shifts are every day 9a-1p, 1p-5p, and 5p-9p)*

_____ **Community Engagement Advocate** *(Community based public speaking, promotes awareness about DV/SA in community, participate in awareness events, and maintain professional connections with civic organizations.)*

_____ **Outreach Advocate – please select from the options below** - *(This is an opportunity to explore the court system, advocate for clients, work with law enforcement, and be a part of the coalition by working in the community including: youth & education programs.)*

- _____ **Response Volunteer** *(Advocate for survivors of Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault in roles such as: emergency transportation, Sexual/Domestic Assault Response Team member, and legal systems. Response shifts on weekdays are 4:30p-9a (16.5 hours) and on weekends are 9a-9a (24 hours).)*

- Which county or counties are you interested in responding to?

- Greene Boone Story Marshall Tama (please circle at least one)

- _____ **Volunteer Victim Counselor** *(Advocate for survivors of Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Homicide/Violent Crimes in roles such as peer one on one counseling, providing support with obtaining protective orders, and co-facilitating support group.)*

- Which county or counties are you interested in responding to?

- Greene Boone Story Marshall Tama (please circle at least one)

_____ **Youth and Family Program Volunteer** *(Assist Child & Youth Advocates in programming related to children's group and community awareness. Advocate for children during activities)*

_____ **Internship for the spring / summer / fall semester of year _____** . *(Gain experience working directly in the field of Human Sciences. The most appropriate majors include; HD FS, Psychology, Criminal Justice, Women's Studies, and Sociology. All are welcome to apply!)*

***Minimum 4 hours orientation required. ***

_____ **Office Receptionist** *(Answer office lines, filing, light housekeeping)*

No Training Requirements:

_____ **Facilities** *(Includes office and housing sites upkeep, outdoor landscaping, cleaning, restocking supplies, and helping with non-labor-intensive maintenance (painting)).*

_____ **Supply Drive** *(Organize a community drive based on agency needs. Wish list is available at assaultcarecenter.org)*

_____ **Promotional Awareness** *(Distribute flyers for training, awareness events, and support groups.)*

_____ **Fundraising and Marketing Events** *(help plan, promote, and work events)*

Questions

- 1) Discuss your interest in becoming a volunteer with ACCESS.
- 2) Discuss strengths and/or skills that you would use as a volunteer.
- 3) What are your expectations as a volunteer at ACCESS? How will volunteering with ACCESS benefit you?
- 4) What experience do you have relevant to providing crisis services?
- 5) Could working with survivors of intimate partner crimes such as domestic/sexual violence or Homicide/Violent Crimes be a conflict of interest for you? If so, please explain.

References

Please list the names of three people, not related to you, whom you have known at least one year that ACCESS may contact for references.

<i>Name</i>	<i>Phone</i>	<i>Relationship</i>

Confidentiality Agreement

I, _____, understand that the Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support insists that its trainees/volunteers adhere to a strict code of confidentiality. I may also be given confidential information by those presenting in this training and during my time with ACCESS, and I realize this information must also be kept confidential. I am also aware that this confidentiality agreement pertains to the location of the shelter. I agree to adhere to this confidentiality agreement. Further, I understand that failure to do so may result in being asked to leave training, to discontinue any contact with ACCESS as a volunteer advocate, and to forfeit my status as a certified advocate. I have read and understand the above statement, and I will abide by it.

Signature

Please Print

Date