



Volunteer Position Description

Title: Refugee English Language Tutor*

Number of Volunteers Needed to Fill This Role: Unlimited

Goal of Position:

To provide a dedicated time for adult refugees who cannot attend regular ESL classes to practice their English

Sample Activities:

- Exchange customs, food, and language.
- Practice conversations about household items/tasks/necessities.
- Prepare the client with vocabular for outings, like the grocery store.
- Practice counting money.
- Teach important phrases to know in an emergency.
- Help with a job application or practice interview skills.

Time Commitment:

Weekly one-hour sessions, scheduled at the discretion of the volunteer and availability of the refugee. The initial commitment is 3 months, with an opportunity to extend it (if both parties agree).

Worksite:

The refugee's home or in the community for language-learning "field trips." Most opportunities are for volunteers who can meet in-person with clients in the Twin Cities Metro and St. Cloud area.

Qualifications:

Cross-cultural sensitivity, flexibility, patience, and a sense of humor. Ability to work with people with basic English proficiency. Interest in helping refugees with resettlement needs. Education/ESL experience preferred, but not necessary. An application, interview, and background/DMV check are required.

Training:

All direct service volunteers must complete a 2 hour general onboarding training with LSS staff (virtual or in-person). An additional discussion about English language tools and techniques will be available for those with limited experience in the field.

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** Individuals or couples/pairs invited to apply.
Training and supervision provided.*