



# VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Please complete and return by email to dkrakauer@sdrescue.org or fax to 619.578.2820. Volunteers will then be invited to attend an orientation. Note this form is fillable so you may type in your information and then save and/or print it.

Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address (include city, state and zip code) \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

Employer: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number \_\_\_\_\_

YES  NO

If you are volunteering with a group, Please indicate the name of your group \_\_\_\_\_ Are you 16 years of age or older?

Is your service a school requirement \_\_\_\_\_ If yes, how many hours and due when \_\_\_\_\_

### Volunteer Assignment (s) Preference

- Teaching
- Meal Service
- Chapel Services
- Office Work
- Days/Times Available \_\_\_\_\_
- Tutoring (children  or adults  )
- Special Events
- Nueva Vida Haven
- Working with children
- Job Readiness Training
- Exercise, Zumba, Yoga
- Discipleship/Evangelism

What talents or interests would you like to share in your volunteering?  
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### **Please list two references who are not family members.**

Name, relationship, phone or email  
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### Volunteer Program Policies

Thank you for your partnership! Volunteers play an important in promoting awareness and helping the needy in a variety of positive and life-changing ways. In order to keep our clients, guests, staff and volunteers safe, there are rules and policies that need to be followed. Many are listed below, but keep in mind that the staff supervisor/group leader that you are assigned to may have additional guidelines.

1. Volunteers promote an environment of mutual respect with staff, clients, guests and other volunteers.
2. Volunteers must respect the privacy of clients and guests to the outside community, and hold in confidence all information obtained in the course of volunteering for the Rescue Mission.
3. Taking photographs or video while serving at/for the Rescue Mission is NOT permitted without prior authorization from staff and a signed release.
4. Although we are a Christ-centered Rescue Mission, volunteers will not pressure others to accept their personal philosophies or religious beliefs.
5. There can be NO touching of clients, including but not limited to: embracing, laying-on-hands or pats-on-the -back.
6. There can be NO fraternization with or special treatment given to any client or guest by a volunteer. Violations include but are not limited to the following: dating or having other personal relationships with a client or guest; transporting a client or guest; allowing a client or guest into their home for housing or care; conducting monetary compensation, loans, selling of personal goods or any transaction that involves exchanges in money, goods, etc. with a client or guest; exchanging personal information; and asking a client or guest to perform personal favors. Volunteers may NOT provide gifts, books or additional items to any clients without prior authorization from staff.
7. Behavior and language shall be appropriate, respectful and professional.
8. Dress shall be appropriate. Volunteers cannot wear the following: low-cut blouses, shirts and dresses; see-through garments; very tight pants with short blouses; crop tops or short tops that show midriff; tank tops; short shorts (tight or otherwise); short dresses, skorts, or shorts/skirts combo; sagging pants off the hips; and excessive jewelries or accessories. No bare feet. Food Service volunteers MUST wear closed-toe FLAT shoes, long pants and no sleeveless tops.
9. Volunteers may NOT bring children or other adults not registered as volunteers without prior authorization from staff.
10. Volunteers cannot bring outside food that is not in the original unopened packaging. Home baked goodies will not be allowed.
11. All volunteers are required to report any observation of possible child or elder abuse immediately to staff.
12. The Rescue Mission is a Zero Tolerance facility for drug and alcohol use. Any suspected use must be reported to staff.
13. Volunteers must respect the authority/instructions of managers and staff members concerning clients and facility regulations.

I have read, understand and agree to adhere to the above-mentioned guidelines. I certify to the best of my knowledge that the above information is true and correct. I understand that the information I have provided will be used for the sole purpose of my registration as a volunteer. I acknowledge that most volunteer opportunities require a background check to be conducted at my expense.

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Signature

Date

**SAN DIEGO RESCUE MISSION**

**WAIVER AND RELEASE AGREEMENT**

PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING CAREFULLY. BY SIGNING BELOW, YOU ARE GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS.

I certify the following: I am volunteering my services at the San Diego Rescue Mission ("SDRM"). I understand and acknowledge that SDRM does not and will not maintain health, medical, disability, or workers compensation insurance coverage for volunteers. To the extent allowed by law, I further agree to indemnify and hold harmless SDRM, its governing board, officers, employees, agents, representatives, and volunteers, of all liabilities and loss of damage to person or property which may occur or be incident to my involvement or participation as a volunteer.

My participation may include meal service, deep cleaning, assisting in the warehouse, bed set-up, handing out linens and hygiene materials, tutoring, childcare, working with clients of SDRM, and other volunteer services. No known physical or health limitation prevents me from safely volunteering at SDRM. I will perform tasks that are within my physical capability and I will not undertake tasks that are beyond my ability. I agree not to use any equipment or tools with which I am unfamiliar or do not know how to operate safely. I agree to perform only those tasks assigned, observe all safety rules, and use care in the performance of assignments.

In consideration for participating, I assume all risks associated with volunteering, which include but are not limited to: injury, illness, death, and/or property damage. I am aware of the risks associated with volunteering, including my own physical condition and the actions or conduct of other volunteers, employees, or clients of SDRM. **I release, waive any and all claims against, and will not sue SDRM, its directors, officers, agents, employees, or representatives, even though my injury, damage, or death may be caused by or result from negligence or carelessness on their part.**

I understand that as a SDRM volunteer, I may be exposed to personal and/or confidential information, including information involving clients, donors, or vendors. I agree that I will not disclose personal and/or confidential information I obtain as a volunteer for SDRM to any unauthorized person.

I hereby give SDRM, its officers, employees, agents, and assigns the worldwide, perpetual, irrevocable right to: (1) photograph, video tape, and otherwise record my likeness; (2) reproduce, distribute, display, create derivative works of and otherwise use my name, images, and likeness for and in connection with the SDRM's public relations, publicity, promotional, recruitment, advertising, and other reasonable purposes, by any means, methods, and media (print and electronic, including the SDRM's website) now known or in the future developed that the SDRM deems appropriate. I understand that under California law individuals have the legal right to control the use of their names, likenesses, and images. I release all such rights to SDRM and I waive any right to royalties or other payment or compensation for SDRM's use of the images. I promise not to sue or bring any proceeding against SDRM for its use of such images.

I agree that this waiver and release binds me and my heirs, distributees, guardians, legal representatives, successors and assigns.

**I HAVE CAREFULLY AND COMPLETELY READ THE FOREGOING. ALL OF MY QUESTIONS HAVE BEEN ANSWERED TO MY FULL SATISFACTION. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS AN ASSUMPTION OF RISKS AND A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND THAT I AM GIVING UP CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS. I SIGN BELOW OF MY OWN FREE WILL.**

Volunteer Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Volunteer Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_