

## Prince George's County volunteer opportunities

October 28

**American Councils for International Education** seeks volunteers to help evaluate applications for its foreign exchange program. Duties include reading and scoring thousands of applications from international high school students to help determine finalists and alternates. Volunteers can choose their own hours, from November to March. Training provided. Call 202-833-7522, e-mail [volunteer@americancouncils.org](mailto:volunteer@americancouncils.org), or visit [www.americancouncils.org](http://www.americancouncils.org).

**Hospice of the Chesapeake** seeks volunteers to provide a variety of support to families in Prince George's and Anne Arundel counties. Areas of need include patient care, vigil volunteers, grief support, inpatient care, military support, cosmetologists, administrative and community outreach. Open to high school students and those age 18 and older. Training provided. E-mail [akuchar@hospicechesapeake.org](mailto:akuchar@hospicechesapeake.org), call 443-837-1513 or visit [www.hospicechesapeake.org](http://www.hospicechesapeake.org).

**Hospice of the Chesapeake** seeks volunteers with four-wheel-drive vehicles to help patients and staff members in Prince George's and Anne Arundel counties in inclement weather. Volunteers must provide proof of auto insurance and pass a criminal background check. Call 443-837-1549 or 800-745-6132 or visit [www.hospicechesapeake.org](http://www.hospicechesapeake.org).

**The Guide Dog Foundation for the Blind** seeks pet lovers to raise puppies in their homes for one year before the pups are returned to the foundation to be trained as guide dogs for the blind or service dogs for veterans. Equipment and classes provided. Call 866-282-8046 or go to [www.guidedog.org](http://www.guidedog.org).

**American Heart Association** needs volunteers for the Greater Washington Heart Walk scheduled for Nov. 7 on the Mall in Washington. To volunteer, visit [www.greaterwashingtonheartwalk.org](http://www.greaterwashingtonheartwalk.org) or contact [joellen.brassfield@heart.org](mailto:joellen.brassfield@heart.org) or 703-248-1784.

**The Prince George's Child Resource Center** is seeking volunteers of all backgrounds and experience to help create healthy and nurturing environments for local children by supporting their families and caregivers. An information session is scheduled Nov. 18 at 12:30 p.m. at 9475 Lottsford Rd., Suite 202, Conference Room, Largo. Call 301-772-8420, Ext. 1114, or [sburger@pgcrc.org](mailto:sburger@pgcrc.org) or visit [www.childresource.org/volunteer](http://www.childresource.org/volunteer).

**Cheverly Village Planning Committee** seeks a volunteer to help create a simple Web site to increase the online presence of the local group that aims to support seniors who want to age in place in their community. Contact Laila Riazi at 202-258-6167, Diane La Voy at 240-599-6346 or e-mail [ChevVillage@gmail.com](mailto:ChevVillage@gmail.com).

**House of Help City of Hope Women & Children's Shelter** needs toys, gift cards, winter clothing of all sizes, cleaning supplies, personal hygiene items, new twin and full-size sheets, blankets, comforters, pillows, paper products, extension cords, space heaters, household supplies and school supplies. Donations may be dropped off 8 a.m.-5 p.m. at 2420 Brooks Dr., Suitland. 301-735-2391 or [www.hollowayministries.org](http://www.hollowayministries.org).

**The Jewish Council for the Aging** needs volunteers for its SeniorTech computer classes. Computer-savvy seniors are needed to teach basic computer and social media skills to other seniors at the Microsoft store in Pentagon City mall. Training provided. Call 240-395-0916, e-mail [seniortech@accessjca.org](mailto:seniortech@accessjca.org) or visit [www.accessjca.org](http://www.accessjca.org).

**The Accokeek Foundation** seeks volunteers to assist staff at the Ecosystem Farm on Saturday mornings from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Chores include planting, weeding, pest management and harvesting. Volunteers who work the full shift will be eligible for free produce. Call Casey Lowe at 301-283-2113 or [volunteers@accokeek.org](mailto:volunteers@accokeek.org) or visit [www.accokeekfoundation.org](http://www.accokeekfoundation.org).

**The American Red Cross** is in critical need of blood and platelet donors to help replenish decreasing supply. All blood types are needed, especially O-negative and A-negative. Donors must be at least 17, meet height and weight requirements and be in good health. Call 800-RED-CROSS (733-2767) or visit [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) to find a blood drive.

**The Cultural Academy for Excellence** after-school program is seeking volunteers to provide homework assistance and tutor students in math, reading and language arts for the 2015-2016 school year. Opportunities are available in Mount Rainier and Riverdale, weekdays from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. Call 301-785-0390, e-mail [lgreen@cafeyouth.org](mailto:lgreen@cafeyouth.org) or visit [www.cafeyouth.org](http://www.cafeyouth.org).

**The Bowie Community Theatre** seeks volunteers to help with a variety of tasks, including production, set construction and decoration, box office and ushers, costume and makeup, stage management and hospitality. Flexible schedule. Contact [president@bctheatre.com](mailto:president@bctheatre.com) or visit [www.bctheatre.com](http://www.bctheatre.com).

**The American Association for the Advancement of Science** seeks scientists, engineers, mathematicians and physicians to work with K-12 Prince George's County public school teachers. Duties include visiting the classroom at least once a week to assist teachers in lessons and lab experiments, planning field trips, and assisting students with homework and science fairs. Flexible hours; training provided. Those interested should send a brief bio with home address to Don Rea at [donaldrea@aol.com](mailto:donaldrea@aol.com). For information, call 703-237-7683 or visit

[www.aaas.org/senior-scientists-and-engineers/volunteers](http://www.aaas.org/senior-scientists-and-engineers/volunteers).

**Progressive Equestrian Therapeutic Services**, an accredited therapeutic horseback-riding group, seeks volunteers 14 and older to serve as side walkers and horse leaders for riders with disabilities, as well as volunteers able to assist with horse care. No experience necessary. Training and community service hours provided. Contact 301-627-4308, [ms.clare@verizon.net](mailto:ms.clare@verizon.net) or [pgpets.wordpress.com](http://pgpets.wordpress.com).

**Bowie Youth and Family Services** seeks residents 21 and older to serve as volunteers for its teen mentoring program. Contact Rhonda Simon, volunteer coordinator, at [mentor@cityofbowie.org](mailto:mentor@cityofbowie.org) or 301-809-3033.

**City of Bowie** needs volunteers for its city committees. Positions are available with the Administrative Review Board, Arts Committee, Community Outreach Committee, Diversity Committee, Board of Elections, Environmental Advisory Committee, Ethics Commission, Information Technology Committee and the Board of Personnel Appeals. For information, visit [www.cityofbowie.org/committees](http://www.cityofbowie.org/committees) or call 301-809-3029.

**Make-A-Wish Mid-Atlantic** seeks volunteers to help grant wishes to children with life-threatening medical conditions in Prince George's County and Southern Maryland. Volunteers work in teams of two and interview the child and family to determine the wish, work with staff members to help fulfill the wish, stay engaged with the child while waiting for the wish to happen and then throw a party when the wish is granted. Volunteers must be 18 or older and pass a background check. Commitment varies depending on wish and number of wishes volunteer is involved with. The wish interview and granting generally occur in the evening or on a weekend. Volunteers make a two-year minimum commitment. Contact Cara Montufar at 301-962-9474 or [cmontufar@midatlantic.wish.org](mailto:cmontufar@midatlantic.wish.org) or visit [midatlantic.wish.org/ways-to-help/volunteering/become-a-volunteer](http://midatlantic.wish.org/ways-to-help/volunteering/become-a-volunteer).

**Columbia Lighthouse for the Blind**, a nonprofit organization, is seeking volunteers to read and serve as shopping companions for blind and visually impaired people in the Washington area. Volunteers must submit an application and two references and pass a background check. Orientation and training provided. Contact Amanda Painter at 240-737-5179 or [apainter@clb.org](mailto:apainter@clb.org). Visit [www.clb.org/get-involved/volunteer](http://www.clb.org/get-involved/volunteer).

**EurAuPair Intercultural Child Care Program** is seeking kind, compassionate volunteers to become local community representatives. Duties include mentoring au pairs from abroad, maintaining monthly contact with host families and organizing a monthly activity/meeting with the au pairs. For information or to apply, visit [www.euraupair.com/volunteerinfo.html](http://www.euraupair.com/volunteerinfo.html) or e-mail [rebecca@euraupair.com](mailto:rebecca@euraupair.com).

**Doctors Community Hospital** seeks front-desk volunteers 18 and older to check in visitors, comfort family members, answer telephones and provide general campus direction. Opportunities are available 7 a.m. to 8 p.m. daily; volunteers are asked to commit to at least four hours each week for six consecutive months. For an applicati