

FREEDOM HOUSE

Domestic & Sexual Violence Services

I can't begin to thank you enough for your interest in becoming a Freedom House volunteer, it is an enormous commitment of your time and energy and such an admirable choice you are making. I would really like to know what volunteer opportunities you are most interested in. Please place a check mark in the box of any that apply to your interests and return to me at your earliest convenience. It is important that you are asked to volunteer in areas that you feel most comfortable and passionate about. Again, thank you so much for your desire to help advocate for survivors of domestic and sexual violence, you are truly appreciated. ~ Bonnie, Volunteer Coordinator

Volunteer Opportunities:

Medical Advocacy – Our most critical volunteer need! Volunteers would respond to survivors who present at area hospitals for treatment. Weekday on-call shifts are from 4:00PM-8:00AM. Weekend on-call shifts are 24 hours from 8:00AM-8:00AM the following day.

- OSF St. Clare (Princeton) YES NO
- OSF St. Luke (Kewanee) YES NO
- Hammond-Henry (Geneseo) YES NO

- Availability?** → M T W TH F S SU
- Weekly
 - Bi-Weekly
 - Other – Please Specify: _____

Crisis Line (Shelter Advocate) – Volunteers would answer the crisis hotline when staff is engaged in a meeting or event or if availability to cover the hotline by staff is not adequate due to high numbers of clients or lack of staffing.

- Would you be willing to be put on an on-call calendar rotation? YES NO
- Would you prefer to be called as needed? YES NO

Transportation – Volunteer would use a vehicle provided by Freedom House to transport clients to misc. appointments.

Childcare – Volunteer would provide childcare to shelter and non-residential clients in times of need. Examples being during a job interview, counseling or group session.

Community Awareness Events – Organizing. Raising funds through ticket sales or other promotions. Set up/Clean up. Publicity. Attend event. Examples such as parades, galas & informational booths at community events.

Outreach – Helping to spread the word about Freedom House services through distribution or brochures and promotional items.

Group Leader or Assistant – Is there a certain skill that you are good at and would like to provide clients the knowledge to use in their lives? Examples such as budgeting, meal planning, getting your finances back on track, etc. Or maybe you would like to come in during a group to help provide emotional support to clients?

Maintenance – Assisting with building maintenance such as moving furniture, cleaning shelter areas, painting, yard work, etc.

Clerical Assistance - Freedom House often needs assistance with filing and other office tasks such as photocopying and stuffing envelopes.

Other – What are you thinking?

If you are currently employed, please consider providing the Volunteer Coordinator with a copy of your work schedule so that we know you will be unavailable during those times.

Thank you again for your dedication to support our mission. We couldn't do it without you.