

VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Welcome to YWCA Kalamazoo. Our mission is the elimination of racism and the empowerment of women and girls. Community volunteer support allows the YWCA to offer many activities, programs and human services. Thank you for considering giving your time to YWCA Kalamazoo, allowing us to continue meeting the changing needs of women, girls and their families.

Last name: _____ First name: _____ Today's date _____

Street address _____ Apt.# _____

City _____ State _____ Zip code _____

Preferred method of contact: Phone Email

Email address _____ Phone _____

Place of employment _____ Title _____

Highest year of school completed: Grade Middle High College: Years _____ Degree _____

Emergency contact _____ Preferred phone _____

Have you ever been convicted of a crime? Yes No

Explain: _____

References (two adults who are not relatives):

1. Name _____ Phone _____

E-mail address _____ Relationship _____

2. Name _____ Phone _____

E-mail address _____ Relationship _____

How did you learn about volunteering at the YWCA?

Have you ever been employed or volunteered by/at this or another YWCA? When and where?

Is your interest in volunteering school related? Yes, hours required _____ No

Explain:

Is your interest in volunteering required for community service? Yes, hours required _____ No

Explain:

YWCA PROGRAM AREA VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Number your **top 3** preferences in order of interest.

Caring for Victims of Abuse

- _____ **Sexual Assault Supportive Volunteer**
- _____ **Emergency Response Team Member**
- _____ **Anti-Trafficking Language Mentor**
- _____ **Legal Services Reception** (Lunchtime coverage)
- _____ **Respite and Support Group Childcare**

Improving the Lives of Children

- _____ **Classroom Support**
- _____ **Evening Childcare for YWCA Sponsored Events**
- _____ **Teacher Planning Time** (provide coverage during naptime/reading time)
- _____ **Infant Support**
- _____ **Bus Riders/Drivers**
- _____ **Kitchen Assistance**

Promoting Maternal & Child Health

- _____ **Childcare during Baby Bump Support Group**

Advocacy & Systems Change

- _____ **Cradle Kalamazoo Baby Shower Volunteers**
- _____ **Childcare for YWCA Sponsored Events**
- _____ **Event Support** (Women's March, Client Holiday Party, etc.)

Administrative/Operations

- _____ **Sorting and Organizing Donations**
- _____ **Administrative Tasks** (phones and other reception tasks, mailings, etc.)

Are you interested in volunteering in ways other than those listed above? If so, please describe what you would like to do:

My signature below authorizes YWCA Kalamazoo to conduct a background investigation and authorizes release of information in connection with my volunteer application. The investigation may include such information as criminal or civil convictions, personal or professional reference and other appropriate sources. I waive my right of access to any such information and without limitation hereby release the YWCA and the references source from any liability in connection with its release or use. YWCA Kalamazoo shall not be liable for any damages that may result from such verification and injury. Furthermore, I certify I have made true, correct and complete answers and statements on my application in the knowledge they may be relied upon in considering my application. I understand any omissions or false answered statement made by me on my application or any supplement to it, will be sufficient grounds for failure to select me as a volunteer or for discharge from volunteer service.

For Criminal Background Check purposes, please complete the following:

Other Name(s) Used _____

*It is the policy of YWCA Kalamazoo that individuals serving as an employee, intern, or volunteer have not been a service recipient of the organization within the last year. The YWCA does have exceptions to this policy for certain program areas. If you have questions about your eligibility in this regard, please inquire with the Human Resource department. Are you currently, or have you received YWCA Kalamazoo services in the last year?** Yes No

I understand that an application for a volunteer position does not guarantee placement in that position. If I am placed in a volunteer position at YWCA Kalamazoo, I will familiarize myself with the job description and perform those duties as requested. I will guard confidential information learned in the course of the volunteer assignment.

Signature of applicant _____ Date _____

A photocopy of this signed authorization will carry the same effect as the original.

**Confidentiality Rights: YWCA Kalamazoo will not share this information with any individual or entity.*