

Volunteer Services

Mission

To extend the presence and healing ministry of Christ in all we do.

Vision

Saint Francis Health System will collaborate with others who share its values to be the regional leader in the delivery of quality Catholic healthcare services.

Values

Excellence

Promoting high standards of service and performance

Dignity

Respecting each person as an inherently valuable member of the human community and as a unique expression of life

Justice

Advocating for systems and structures that are attuned to the needs of the vulnerable and disadvantaged and that promote a sense of community among all persons

Integrity

Encouraging honesty, consistency, and predictability in all relationships

Stewardship

Ensuring prudent use of talents and resources in a collaborative manner



Join the Team

Add a new dimension to your life, and to someone else's. Share your time and talent. We invite you to consider joining the Saint Francis Hospital Auxiliary. Opportunities are available seven days a week at a variety of times. For more information, call **494-1150** or go to **www.SaintFrancis.com**.

When Saint Francis opened its doors on October 1, 1960, volunteers were already an indispensable part of patient care. Today, volunteers work in more than 40 areas of the health system, directly and indirectly enhancing patient care. The group donates an average of 100,000 hours each year.

Rewards

Helping Others

The satisfaction of knowing you're truly helping patients, staff and visitors is the most common reward shared by our volunteers. People who volunteer in the Saint Francis Health System truly feel they are making a difference.

Challenge

Positions are often challenging and continue to sharpen or develop new skills.

Friendships

Joining Saint Francis provides access to a network of friendships that build from the camaraderie of working with other volunteers.

Parking

In appreciation of your service, you receive priority parking.

Free Meals

Each time you work, you're the hospital's guest for a meal.

Discounts

Volunteers enjoy discounts on memberships to the Health Zone and discounts in the Pharmacy.

Other

Volunteers receive service awards, an annual flu vaccine, TB tests and invitations to recognition events.

Service is Time and Money

As a non-profit hospital, it is widely accepted that a volunteer is an important donor. Volunteers are often the health system's most important source of comfort, cheer and hope to the patients, their families and visitors.

Volunteers kindly help families supervise their children in play areas.

Volunteers arrange or plan crafts and other activities which meet social, emotional and sometimes development needs.

Volunteers give information, handle mail, deliver flowers, staff the Gift Shops and assist in admitting and dismissing patients.

Volunteers raise funds through their service by working in the hospital Gift Shops. Money raised at the Saint Francis Hospital Gift Shop goes back to that hospital to continue purchases for improved or up to date medical equipment and for other costs that improve patient care and comfort. Money raised at the Children's Hospital at Saint Francis also stays at that hospital. At the beginning of 2008, the overall monetary contributions reached \$6.5 million principally from volunteer service in the Gift Shops.

Volunteers participate in health fairs and the annual Kids Are Special People (K.A.S.P.) Day.

As a part of their community service in the hospital, volunteers conduct hospital tours for adults and children.

Requirements

50 Hours Annually

A minimum of 50 hours of service annually is required and a professional dress code is required.

Adults

Membership in the Saint Francis Hospital Auxiliary requires individuals to be 18 years of age. For those under 18, the Student Volunteer Program offers opportunities for involvement.

Screening

An application, background check and screening process helps to protect our patients.