

**Volunteer Position:** Weekly Night Dinner Volunteer Opportunity  
**Department:** Community Programs

### **SUMMARY**

Weekly Night Dinner volunteers offer a much needed break to our safe shelter residents by donating, preparing and setting out dinner on pre-scheduled nights of the month. This opportunity is essential for creating a welcoming atmosphere for our clients and their children whom are fleeing abuse. It is a great way to serve in an informal and friendly setting!

### **ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Plan, prepare, and present dinner to 25-30 adults and children
- Provide any paper goods necessary for the meal (plates, bowls, utensils, etc.)
- Must be able to follow the below timeline:
  - 4pm** – Volunteers arrive and set up the already prepared meal to offer clients
  - 5pm** – Clients arrive and dinner begins
  - 5:30pm** – Dinner ends, clients thank volunteers, and clean up begins
  - 5:35pm** – All dinner items have been removed from set up area
  - 6pm** or earlier – All left overs and supplies have been put away and kitchen cleaned

\*Please note this is a volunteer and in-kind donation opportunity

### **OTHER KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND ABILITIES**

- Passion for individuals, families and community members affected by domestic violence
- Ability to organize a group (no larger than 6) to come together to make and set out dinner
- Flexibility in serving dinner to a rapidly changing group size
- A commitment to helping staff create a safe, warm and welcoming space for clients before they embark on hard self-work during their support group that directly follows dinner
- Strictly adhere to the confidentiality and safety needs of our clients
- Models language and behavior that is inclusive and respectful of all people
- A compassionate, non-judgmental, proactive attitude
- Demonstrated commitment to the mission, vision and values of the YWCA Pierce County

### **OTHER QUALIFICATIONS**

- Acceptable Washington State Patrol Criminal History Record
- Must complete DV101 training within first 6 months of volunteering
- All volunteers must be 16 years of age or older

### **COMMITMENT**

This opportunity occurs on one scheduled Monday or Wednesday of the month from 4 PM-6 PM. YWCA requires volunteers to commit to at least six consecutive months in this position.

### **TO APPLY**

Please submit an online volunteer application form expressing your interest in this position.