

## **Holiday Volunteer Opportunities**

### **Holiday Gift Wrapping**

#### **National Sports Center for the Disabled**

The mission of the National Sports Center for the Disabled (NSCD) is to provide quality outdoor sports and therapeutic recreation programs that positively impact the lives of people with physical, cognitive, emotional, or behavioral challenges.

Ashley Hinkle, ahinkle@nscd.org or 303.293.5315

Contact for available dates and times.

The National Sports Center for the Disabled is hosting the Gift Wrapping booth at Colorado Mills Mall in Lakewood,

between Black Friday and Christmas Eve. We need volunteers to help wrap presents during 3-5 hour shifts. Sign up for 2 or more shifts and receive a \$10 gift card.

This opportunity is suggested for: Families, Adult Groups, Individual Adults, Youth Groups, Individual Youth

Minimum Age with an Adult: 10

Minimum Age: 16

### **12 Days of Holiday Meals**

#### **Attention Homes**

Attention Homes mission is providing residential treatment, counseling, and safe shelter to at-risk youth.

Claire Clurman, cclurman@attentionhomes.org or 303.447.1206 x25

Contact for available dates and times.

Service Dates: December 2009 & January 2010; 5:00-6:00pm

Prepare a meal at home and deliver on agreed date Meals include entree, salad and side(s); dessert is optional but much

appreciated. Both homes need food for 12. A brief appointment is required and meal guidelines will be provided.

This opportunity is suggested for: Families, Adult Groups, Individual Adults

Minimum Age with an Adult: 13; Minimum Age: 21

Additional Information for Volunteers: Good cook and dependable.

**Holiday Vounteers  
Family Homestead**

Family HomeStead's mission is to house homeless families and end homelessness for

individual families in our program in the Metro Denver Area.

Judy Mugler, judy@familyhomestead.org or 303.623.6514

Service Dates: November 13-December 22, 2009

Provide holiday gifts for homeless families with children participating in Family HomeStead's emergency and transitional housing programs. Donors will receive written

wish lists from client families along with basic information on why the family is participating in our program. This is a Secret Santa project -- no personal contact between

donor and client family. Donor will receive a thank-you note for tax purposes from Family

HomeStead and the client family upon program completion. Specific spending guidelines

apply.

This opportunity is suggested for: Families, Adult Groups, Individual Adults, Youth Groups

Minimum Age with an Adult: Any

Additional Information for Volunteers: Donors must be able to deliver gifts to the Family HomeStead office at 999

Decatur, Denver 80204 by designated donor due dates, the first of which is early December

**Holiday Pet Food Distribution  
The Senior Hub, Inc. Volunteer Caregivers**

The Senior Hub's mission is to advance the quality of life for older adults through advocacy, community partnerships,

and a variety of direct services planned to sustain their independence.

Linda Rinelli, seniorhubauora@comcast.net or 720.859.2248

Contact for available dates and times.

Volunteers will run a pet food drive among their groups. Volunteers will pick up pet food donations from Banfield

Veterinary Clinics to a distribution site. Volunteers can deliver donated pet food to pets of seniors and disabled during the holiday season.

This opportunity is suggested for: Families, Adult Groups, Individual Adults, Youth Groups, Individual Youth

Minimum Age with an Adult: Any

Minimum Age: 16

Additional Information for Volunteers: This opportunity is flexible and volunteers can pick up and deliver on their own schedules. Group dates of delivery may be available.

**Volunteers of America**

Food baskets for limited income families will be distributed on Monday, December 21st from 9:00am to 5:00pm at the VOA Mission at 2877 Lawrence Street. We are recruiting 20 volunteers per shift, for three, three hours shifts, 9:00am to 12:00pm, 11:30am to 2:30pm, and 2:00pm to 5:00pm, to personally hand clients the baskets. Contact Mindy Chambers at 303-297-0408 X13158 to volunteer.

**Adopt-a-Family Project****Volunteers of America**

Working with Volunteers of America's Transitional Living Program, Transformational Housing and Head Start Program, individuals or groups are needed to "adopt" a family for the holidays by supplying the family with holiday gifts. No direct client contact due to confidentiality. A profile of the family is provided for gift selections. Call Bill Ross at 303-297-0408 X 13152 to help out a family this year.

**Deliver Christmas Day Meals on Wheels****Volunteers of America**

Friday, December 25th between 9:00am – Noon (Various locations across Denver)

100 volunteers are needed to assist the Meals on Wheels program by delivering a hot nutritious meal to a homebound individual on Christmas. Groups of two or more are welcome. This usually takes about one hour to one and one half hours to complete. Contact Danielle Reeves at 303-297-0408 X 13112 to volunteer.

**Substitute Drivers for Meals on Wheels Routes****Volunteers of America**

Wednesday, December 23rd and Saturday, December 26th, 9:00 am – Noon (Various locations across Denver)

Volunteers are needed to substitute for regular volunteer drivers who deliver meals to homebound seniors. Some of the routes are hot meals that need to be delivered before 1:00 p.m. and some routes are frozen meals with more flexible delivery times. Individuals, families or groups of two or more are welcome. This usually takes about one to two hours to complete. Contact Danielle Reeves at 303-297-0408 X 13112 to volunteer.

**Deliver donated gift to homebound/hospitalized  
Salvation Army**

December 8-20, 2009

Volunteers to work singly or in pairs to deliver a small, wrapped gift to homebound, nursing home or hospital patients.

Volunteers should spend 5 to 10 minutes visiting with each person. Great opportunity for groups who can divide up a facility among several people. Also great for families.

Minimum age: An adult must accompany each minor.