

Pathways to Care



## Volunteer Opportunities

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### **Operational**

- ◆ Work behind the scenes in the business office.
- ◆ Administrative volunteers may assist staff in a secretarial capacity or may work with other staff to assist with paperwork. Duties may include clerical work, recording records, computer entry and/or computer needs of facility.
- ◆ Help organize a food drive to stock the PTC pantry.
- ◆ Collect clothing/hygiene supplies/paper products/blankets for men/women.
- ◆ Pick up donations of food, clothing, toiletry items for men/women and deliver them to PTC.
- ◆ Purchase fresh produce for PTC food pantry.
- ◆ Work, plant, water, weed and/or harvest in a community garden.
- ◆ Cook casseroles to be served at PTC to help kitchen staff have a meal/day off.
- ◆ Teach computer or other job-building skills
- ◆ Office Support: PTC is always looking for help with mailing, copying and other office work.
- ◆ **Furniture Bank:** Periodically PTC needs volunteers to assist in a variety of tasks that include moving and arranging household furnishings, sorting and inventorying donations and other projects that help us to keep our facility attractive, organized and efficient.

### **Celebrations & Holidays**

- ◆ Deliver a "brown bag" lunch directly to PTC (holiday – to give kitchen staff time off).
- ◆ Sponsor a birthday party for PTC residents, once a month
- ◆ When having a birthday party - child or adult - have your friends bring canned food for your birthday party that you then can donate to PTC.
- ◆ Share a musical presentation, talent show or dramatic production during holidays at PTC.
- ◆ **Adopt-a-Wish Program at PTC:** Church or civic group could fill the wish list for PTC residents so each resident would receive a Christmas gift

### **Fundraisers**

- ◆ Conduct a Walk or Run to financially support prescriptions needed for PTC residents.
- ◆ Conduct a canned food drive for PTC pantry, toiletry or book drive.
- ◆ Sell bricks to create a "Pathway of Care."

### **Special Involvement**

- ◆ Contact and write letters to governmental leaders about the problems surrounding homelessness in the Orange and Seminole County area.
- ◆ **Very special gift:** Research homeless issues with your family and help your friends and neighbors understand the problem as it relates to your community.
- ◆ **Events:** PTC has a number of fundraising events during the year that require the support of a large number of volunteers
- ◆ **Life Skill Instructor:** Share your expertise and know-how with PTC residents. Lead a mini workshop i.e.: journaling, child development, health and nutrition, resume writing, relaxation techniques and wardrobe planning. Hold the workshops just after evening meal and/or weekends.



## Volunteer Opportunities (cont)

**Affordable Housing Specialist:** A volunteer who maintains up-to-date information to help PTC staff with info about transitional or permanent housing opportunities in the surrounding area to residents being discharged. Also, needed is a volunteer to keep an updated list of local resources that will assist residents *when discharged* to find help with housing, food, clothing, medical care, prescription assistance, etc.

**Financial Planning:** How to open a bank account, budgeting, etc.

**Job training:** Resume writing, interviewing skills, etc.

**Health and fitness:** Nutrition, yoga etc.

**Painting:** Inside and/or outside PTC building.

**Gardening –** Gardening club, scouts, honor society and/or college students to help beautify grounds.