

REQUIREMENTS

Volunteers are required to attend a mandatory two-hour training on the dynamics of domestic violence and an orientation to Sistercare, Inc. Depending on which volunteer program you sign up for, there is an additional 3 to 5 hours of training that you will have to complete.

PHILOSOPHY OF SERVICE

Sistercare volunteers are asked to abide by the following:

- ⌘ Be non-judgmental;
- ⌘ Do not advocate religion, a political party or a political position;
- ⌘ Do not expect a woman to leave her abusive relationship for the same reason you left your relationship.¹

For additional information contact:

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Volunteer Programs

Sistercare is a United Way partner agency.



¹ Domestic Violence Survivors Only



VOLUNTEERS MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE!

Sistercare is a program of services for battered women and their children. Our goal is to intervene in and stop the intergenerational cycle of domestic violence by offering help to the family.

VOLUNTEER PROGRAMS

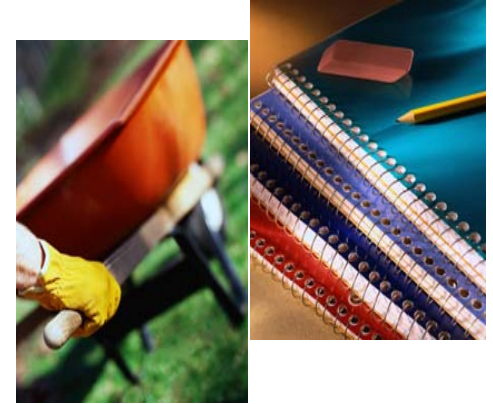
CHILDRENS PROGRAM

Volunteers are involved with children in Sistercare's shelters in group and individual play activities, interacting with them in a supportive manner. Background checks will be performed by the Department of Social Services Central Registry for Child Abuse and Neglect and SLED. An \$8.00 fee is required for the SLED check. This amount is payable by the volunteer. There are approximately 6 hours of required training. Volunteer time commitment is negotiable.



SPEAKERS BUREAU/COMMUNITY OUTREACH PROGRAM

Volunteers address civic, religious and business groups and organizations on the topics of domestic violence and services Sistercare provides in Richland, Lexington, Kershaw, Newberry and Fairfield counties. Four hours of training is required. The volunteer agrees to participate in regularly scheduled speaking engagements, depending upon the number and types of requests received by Sistercare. Volunteers are required to shadow three speaking engagements before being placed as an active Speakers Bureau Volunteer.



SPECIAL PROJECTS PROGRAM

Volunteers are asked to participate with special on-going or one-time projects. Some of the activities may include: shelter yard maintenance and landscaping, organizing and sorting donations, working in the Christmas store, assisting with mailings and attending community fairs. Volunteers also can assist with shelter Adopt-a-Room projects, Back-to-School supply drives, toiletries drives or hosting fundraisers.

