

Jewish Volunteer Center

A Program of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation

Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities

| Volunteer Opportunity | Impact Area | Organization | Location | Description | Contact Information |
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| Buddy Up | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Chai Lifeline | County-wide | Be a Big Brother/Big Sister to a child with a serious illness or their sibling, provide respite care, deliver meals, babysitting and many other volunteer opportunities. TLC required. | Ellen Weiss 305-956-9990 |
| Children's Programs at the "J" | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Dave and Mary Alper JCC | South Dade | Tutor after school, be a docent at the children's museum, help with preschool, be a story reader and more. | 305-271-9000 x233 |
| Advisors Wanted | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | B'nai B'rith Youth Organization | South Dade | Become a youth advisor with B'nai B'rith Youth Organization and make a difference in the lives of teenagers. Must be 21 years old. | Michelle Domb 305-596-7005 |

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| | | | | Must be willing to make ongoing commitment. | |
| Yachad | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Yachad, National Jewish Council for Disabilities | Miami Beach | This national Jewish council for disabilities provides social, recreational, and educational programs for developmentally challenged young adults. Meets monthly on Sundays. | Tzippi Rosen 561-364-1416 |
| Teacher's Aide | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Beth Jacob High School | North Dade | Assist students with remedial reading and math at Beth Jacob High School for girls. | Sarah Gross 305-957-1670 |
| Howdy Partner | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | The Association for Special Jewish Education | County-wide | Becoming a buddy to a young adult with developmental disabilities living in a residential home. | Charlotte Kleinman 305-279-8150 |
| Read Write Now | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Hadassah | South Dade | Volunteer in a school with other Hadassah members helping children with reading difficulties. | Patty Gassenheimer 305-661-0796 hadmiami@aol.com |
| Special Olympics | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Special Olympics | County-wide | Huggers and other positions for a variety of events organized by Special Olympics. | 305-935-4733 |
| Kiddy Care | Youth, Teens and Young | Michael-Ann Russell JCC | North Dade | The Michael-Ann Russell JCC Infant Daycare Center | 305-932-4200 |

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| | Adults | | | needs volunteers to assist teachers. Must love babies and young children. | |
| Association for Special Jewish Education | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | The Association for Special Jewish Education | County-wide | Help with holiday celebrations, special events, crafts, B'nai Mitzvahs, meetings and more for young adults with developmental disabilities. | Charlotte Kleinman 305-279-8150 |
| Special Kids | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Keshet Program | North Dade | Volunteer needed to work with developmentally delayed children in the Keshet program. | Eileen Ginzburg 305-792-7060 |
| For Kids Only | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Rabbi Alexander S Gross Hebrew Academy | Miami Beach | Volunteer as a storyteller, tutor, reading buddy, after-school club or special event advisor, homework helper and more. | Ami Eskanos 305-532-6421 x105 |
| Calling All Teachers | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Toras Emes Day School | North Dade | Be a classroom assistant for preschool and kindergarten children. | Naomi Bloom 305-947-4007 |
| Special Menschen | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Neytz HaChochma | North Dade | Volunteers needed for Jewish students with emotional and behavioral problems. Tutor, assist teachers, be a reading buddy, help with sports activities, lead prayers and more. | Dr. Dolly Aizenman 305-945-7443 |

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| Circle of Friends | Youth, Teens and Young Adults | Chabad of Kendall | South Dade | Be a friend to special-needs children and their families. Visit, play games, share holiday celebrations, attend special events together and more. | Nehama Harling 305-270-9400 |
| Two's Company | Seniors | Jewish Community Services | County-wide | Be a friendly visitor and reach out to an elderly person in need of a companion. Screening required, training provided. | Call Barbara Davis 305-933-9820 x268 |
| Activities Assistant | Seniors | Miami Jewish Home & Hospital | Central | Lead Bingo, Dominoes, knitting, discussion groups, arts & crafts; play the piano and/or teach ceramics. Bilingual Spanish and English helpful. | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |
| Kibbitz & Ride | Seniors | Jewish Community Services | County-wide | Use your driving skills to help frail elderly get to various places. Must have own car, insurance and excellent driving record. | Barbara Davis 305-933-9820 x268 |
| Activities Assistant | Seniors | Imperial Club | North Dade | Assist the Activities Director with her daily activities and those of the residents for senior living facility. Tasks are diverse and challenging, yet rewarding. | Nadine Silverman ns1153@aol.com |

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| | | | | Requires patience, kindness, acceptance and willingness to work with seniors. Knowledge of computer skills is helpful. | |
| Activities & More | Seniors | Imperial Club | North Dade | Volunteers needed to perform (sing, dance) and possibly conduct a class for residents of senior living facility. | Nadine Silverman ns1153@aol.com |
| Activities & More | Seniors | Parke Plaza | North Dade | Assist patients and other residents with arts & crafts activities at a residential adult facility. | Maria Merchadies 305-949-2626 |
| Intergenerational Yiddish Lotto | Seniors | Miami Jewish Home & Hospital | Central | Help facilitate an intergenerational opportunity with residents at the Miami Jewish Home & Hospital and visiting 6th grade students. | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |
| Let's Party | Seniors | Federation Gardens | South Dade | Opportunities available to entertain and share your musical or acting talents with residents. Any time OK, but especially for holidays and parties. | Irene Medovoy 305-274-3574 |
| South Beach Happenings | Seniors | Miami Beach Senior Center | Miami Beach | Volunteers needed to assist in a variety | Joyce Kagan 305-673-6060 |

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| | | | | of ways with programs for the elderly. | |
| Honoring Our Elderly | Seniors | Hebrew Home for Aged | Miami Beach, North Dade | Help with numerous activities and visit with the elderly residents. Flexible hours. | Miami Beach: 305-672-6464 North Dade: 305-947-3445 |
| Meals on Wheels | Seniors | Jewish Community Services | Miami Beach, North Dade | Drivers needed to deliver food packages to homebound elderly. | Ellie Shapiro 305-899-8301 |
| More Than Just a Chat | Seniors | Miami Jewish Home & Hospital | Central | Friendly visitors, entertainers, clowns, pets & their owners needed to participate & organize activities and more for elderly residents. | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |
| What's to Eat | Seniors | Jewish Community Services | Miami Beach, North Dade, South Dade | Help serve meals to seniors at one of the congregate Jewish Community Services meal sites in Miami-Dade County. | Ellie Shapiro 305-899-1587 |
| Teacher Power | Seniors | Federation Housing | Miami Beach | Do you have a special talent you can share with others? Teach a class or lead a discussion group with seniors. | Joyce Kagan 305-673-6060 Stella Davidovic 305-531-2722 |
| Fun & Games | Seniors | Gelber Adult Daycare | South Dade | Socialize with seniors at this adult daycare facility by playing games, | Rachel Menton 305-270-2979 |

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| | | | | helping with projects, arts & crafts, singing, etc. | |
| Tradition | Seniors | Villa Maria Nursing Home | North Dade | Help wheelchair-bound Jewish residents and help celebrate Shabbat at Villa Maria nursing home. Friday mornings for 2 hours. | Father Trevor Smith 305-891-8850 x5233 |
| Activities Galore | Seniors | Hampton Court Nursing Facility | North Dade | Help with numerous recreational activities at Hampton Court nursing facility. Yiddish, Russian and Spanish also helpful. | Carole Grant 305-354-8800 |
| Rightfully So | Seniors | Palm Gardens Nursing and Rehab Center | North Dade | Volunteers needed to assist Holocaust survivors fill out reparations forms and other activities. | 305-933-9820 |
| Seniors Galore | Seniors | Palm Gardens Nursing and Rehab Center | North Dade | Participate in numerous activities with the elderly. | 305-935-4827 |
| Community Connection | Seniors | Miami Jewish Home and Hospital | Central | Join other volunteers as a group to read, sing or just visit with residents. Meets the first Thursday of every month from 5 to 7 pm. | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |
| Grocery Shopping | Seniors | Jewish Community | North Dade, Miami Beach | Why not pick up groceries for | Ellie Shapiro 305-899-8301 |

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| Mitzvah | | Services | | someone homebound while you shop for yourself? | |
| Thank G-d It's Shabbat | Seniors | Miami Jewish Home & Hospital | Central | Assist the rabbi with morning Shabbat services by handing out books, transporting residents to chapel, etc. | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |
| That's Entertainment | Seniors | Jewish Community Services | North Dade, Miami Beach | Sing, dance, play the piano and more during lunch at a congregate meal site. | Ellie Shapiro 305-899-8301 |
| Telephone Reassurance | Seniors | Jewish Community Services | At home | From the comfort of your own home call homebound elderly who need to hear a friendly voice. | Barbara Davis 305-933-9820 x268 |
| So Much To Do | Seniors | The Palace at Kendall Nursing Home | South Dade | Assist with numerous special events and activities (current events, word games, trivia, and more). | Debbie Horvitz 305-271-2225 |
| Computer Mavens | Seniors | Federation Housing | Miami Beach, South Dade | Help residents learn basic computer skills, explore the Internet, learn e-mail and develop confidence. | Miami Beach: Stella Davidovic 305-531-2722 South Dade: Irene Medovoy 305-274-3574 |
| Good Shabbos | Seniors | Parke Plaza Retirement Facility | North Dade | Lead a Saturday class/service for large number of Jewish residents, | Laterra 305-949-2626 |

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| | | | | either in the morning or afternoon. | |
| Russian Tea Room | Seniors | Hebrew Home North | North Dade | Russian-speaking volunteers needed to interact and visit with patients of the Hebrew Home North. | Heather Jameson 305-947-3445 |
| Adopt A Grandparent | Seniors | Miami Jewish Home & Hospital | Central | Miss your grandparents? Share special events and holidays, make friendly visits, play games, tell stories, send cards and more with residents at the Miami Jewish Home & Hospital. | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |
| Ombudsman | Seniors | Children & Families | North Dade, South Dade | Advocates for the elderly needed to investigate complaints of resident care in nursing homes and assisted living facilities, and to inspect such facilities. Training provided. | North Dade: Ramon Keppis 786-336-1418 South Dade: Debbi Sokolow or Sara Celis 888-831-0404 305-663-2085 |
| Staying Busy | Seniors | Miami Gardens Care Center | North Dade | Assist with activities for the elderly at Miami Gardens Care Center. | Michelle Flower 305-651-9690 |
| Shop 'Til You Drop | Seniors | Federation Towers | Miami Beach | Volunteer to do some shopping for elderly residents. Must have own transportation. | Stella Davidovic 305-531-2722 |

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| Admiring Our Elders | Seniors | Sinai Plaza | North Dade | Visit and participate in activities with residents of Sinai Plaza. | Diane Bader 305-981-1804 |
| Miami Jewish Film Festival | Community | Miami Jewish Film Festival | County-wide | Various volunteer positions available to help with the annual film festival. Call for more details on how you can get involved. | Ellen Wedner Film Festival Director 305-573-6477 |
| Reach Out | Community | The Greater Miami Jewish Federation | Various | The Greater Miami Jewish Federation seeks volunteers willing to make a commitment to help meet the needs & safeguard the freedom of all Jewish people. There are a variety of committees, special events, & leadership trainings to meet your interests. | Lori Drutz 305-576-4000 x414 |
| Families of Gay Helpline | Community | Jewish Community Services | From Home | Respond to calls and provide information and referral services. Training provided; ongoing commitment required. | David Saltman 305-899-1587 |
| Political Junkies | Community | American Jewish Committee | South Dade | Learn the latest news and advocate on behalf of important issues that impact the Jewish community | Adele Mann 305-670-1121 |

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| | | | | with the American Jewish Committee. | |
| Museum Friends | Community | Jewish Museum of Florida | Miami Beach | Be a docent, take oral histories, help research and prepare exhibits and so much more at the Jewish Museum of Florida. Training provided. | Joanne Arnowitz 305-672-5044 |
| Feeding the Hungry | Community | Temple Israel/Temple Beth Shalom | Call for Location | Feed the homeless the 1st & 4th Mondays of every month with members of Temple Israel or team up with Temple Beth Shalom on the 3rd Monday of each month. | Karen Raley 305-573-5900 Dr. Sol Lichter 305- 538-7231 |
| Adopt a Family for the Holidays | Community | Neighbors 4 Neighbors | Location Available upon Participation | Reach out to the non-Jewish community for the holiday season. | Neighbors 4 Neighbors 305-597-4404 |
| Take up a Collection | Community | Greater Miami Jewish Federation | Central | Lead and/or participate in organizing a drive to collect important items in the community. As needed. | Lori Drutz 305-576-4000 x414 |
| JVERT | Emergency Response | Jewish Volunteer Emergency Response Team | County-wide | Join JVERT and be prepared to respond and assist in the event of an emergency or disaster. Training provided. | Lori Drutz 305-576-4000 x414 |

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| Say What | Emergency Response | Red Cross | Country-wide | Interpreters needed for Red Cross during a disaster. | Jerry Lipson 305-644-1200 x281 |
| Hospice Volunteer | Visiting the sick | Douglas Gardens Hospice | Central Miami-Dade County | Provide emotional support or respite to the family at a critical time in someone's life. | Betsy Rivera 305-762-3883 |
| Is there a Doctor in the House | Visiting the sick | Mt. Sinai Hospital | Miami Beach | Visit hospital patients, help rehab patients with an arts & crafts project, or choose from more than 80 other ways to give your time at Mt. Sinai Hospital. | Edie Shapiro 305-674-2121 |
| L'Chaim | Visiting the sick | The Jewish Hospice | Various Locations | The Jewish Hospice, a service of Catholic Hospice, seeks volunteers to assist with patient care, bereavement, Camp Hope for children, fundraising or administration. Various locations. Must attend training session and make a one-year commitment. | Ana Andino 305-822-2380 x220 |
| In Their Memory | Holocaust | Holocaust Memorial | Miami Beach | Guides and docents needed to educate visitors at the Holocaust Memorial of the Greater Miami Jewish Federation. | Avi Mizrachi 305-538-1663 |

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| Calling All History Buffs | Holocaust | Holocaust Documentation & Education Center | Hollywood | Preserve, educate, document and research the stories of the Holocaust. Opportunities include interviewing survivors, proofreading testimonials, translating, auditing/editing tapes, participating in student awareness days, and much more. Training provided. | Meryl Safirstein 954-929-5690 info@hdec.org |
| American Red Magen David For Israel | Israel & Overseas | American Red Magen David For Israel | Israel | Get involved in creating a local chapter and plan programs and events. | Conrad Koller 954-457-9766 |
| Volunteers for Israel | Israel & Overseas | Volunteers for Israel | Israel | Volunteer to work and live in Israel on an army base or hospital. Must be 18 years old or older and willing to make a 3-week commitment. | Volunteers for Israel 212-643-4848 1-800-2ISRAEL vol4israel@aol.com |
| Kibbutzniks | Israel & Overseas | Kibbutz Program | Israel | Express your love for Israel, learn new skills and experience the chance of a lifetime as a volunteer on a kibbutz. May require physically demanding work. Must make 2 month commitment and be 18 or over. | Kibbutz Program Center 1-800-247-7852 |

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| Global Volunteers | Israel & Overseas | Global Volunteers | International | Volunteer in one of 18 countries. No prior experience necessary. | 1-800-487-1074 |
| Files to go Before I Sleep | Skill Based | Greater Miami Jewish Federation | Central | Work in a bustling office to update files and enter information into the computer system at Federation. | Carole Fink 305-576-4000 x428 |
| Aleph | Skill Based | Aleph Institute | Miami Beach | Reach out to families of Jewish inmates and military personnel, advocate for religious freedom, conduct statistical analysis, write articles and more. Flexible hours. | Rabbi Aaron Lipskar 305-864-5553 |
| Go Stuff It | Skill Based | Hadassah | Central | Hadassah needs help with mailings, phone calls and more on an as needed basis. Must be flexible. | Lori Heiken 305-573-4447 |
| Israel in Miami | Skill Based | The Israel Aliyah Center | Central | The Israel Aliyah Center needs an enthusiastic volunteer to help in their office with clerical tasks, phones, copies, etc. | Nehama 305-573-2556 |
| Caring Ambassador | Skill Based | Miami Jewish Home & Hospital | Central | Help the nurses on the units at the Miami Jewish Home & Hospital by assisting with phone calls and | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |

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| | | | | greeting visitors. | |
| Get the Word Out | Skill Based | Jewish Community Services | North Dade | Help out in the Public Relations Dept. of Jewish Community Services with graphic arts, marketing and writing projects. | 305-899-1587 |
| Ring Up the Sales | Skill Based | Miami Jewish Home & Hospital | Central | Be a top-notch sales person at the Miami Jewish Home & Hospital Gift Shop. | Susan Willenborg 305-751-8626 |
| Virtual Garage Sale | Skill Based | Jewish Community Services | At Home | Coordinate sales of items online to benefit Jewish Community Services. | 305-899-1587 |
| Office Assistant | Skill Based | Greater Miami Hillel, University of Miami Campus | South Dade | Greater Miami Hillel UM Campus seeks volunteers for general office work, data entry, mailings, calls and more. | 305-665-6948 |
| Get Fit Too | Skill Based | Michael-Ann Russell JCC | North Dade | The fitness dept. of the Michael-Ann Russell JCC needs help with general office work. | 305-932-4200 x168 |
| Numbers People | Skill Based | Michael-Ann Russell JCC | North Dade | Volunteer as part of the accounting team at Michael-Ann Russell JCC. | Gary Bomzer 305-932-4200 |
| Computer Savvy | Skill Based | Chai Lifeline | North Dade | Chai Lifeline needs volunteer to help with data entry and other office work. | Ellen Weiss 305-956-9990 |

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| Receptionist | Skill Based | Miami Beach Senior Center | Miami Beach | Handle a four-line phone at the Miami Beach Senior Center. | Joyce Kagan 305-673-6060 |
| School Office | Skill Based | Solomon Schechter Day School | North Dade | Office assistants needed. | Laurie Farber 305-932-2829 |
| Secretarial Assistant | Skill Based | Jewish Community Services Dadeland office | South Dade | Help with secretarial duties, phone calls, copying and more. | Linda Weissman 305-670-1911 |
| More Office Helpers | Skill Based | Jewish Community Services | North Dade | Volunteer to help with phones, make files, computer skills helpful and more. | Joan Mayl 305-933-9820 |
| Busy Office | Skill Based | The Shul | Miami Beach | Filing, stuffing envelopes, data entry and more. | 305-868-1411 x7313 |
| Typist & More | Skill Based | Holocaust Documentation & Education Center | North Dade | Typing, filing, mailings and more. Holocaust Documentation & Education Center. | Meryl Safirstein 954-929-5690 |
| Clerical & More | Skill Based | Dave and Mary Alper JCC | South Dade | Help with filing, telephone calls, mailings, etc. or working with special events. | 305-271-9000 |
| Computer Folks | Skill Based | Havurah of South Florida | South Dade | Provide some computer skills to an administrative assistant at the Havurah of South Florida. | Lesly Diaz 305-666-7349 |

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