Ronald McDonald House Charities® Greater Houston

JoyFULL Eats Food Program Volunteer

Purpose of the Role: Providing a meal to a family in need is more than just offering food—it's often the only meal they will have that day. For many, circumstances such as long days spent at hospital bedsides, doctor's visits, or financial hardship make it impossible to prepare meals for themselves. By offering a hot, nutritious meal or stocking snacks, our volunteers are helping to alleviate some of the stress these families face, offering both physical nourishment and a sense of community during an incredibly challenging time. The role is critical in ensuring that every family has access to food, care, and compassion when they need it most.

The JoyFull Eats Food Program Volunteer plays a vital role in supporting families in crisis by ensuring our kitchen and pantry remain clean, organized, and well-stocked with nutritious food. Volunteers in this role also serve as hosts, guiding groups of volunteers who are preparing and serving meals.

Description of the Role: By managing donations, restocking supplies, and maintaining food safety standards, volunteers provide families with easy access to meals and snacks, easing the burden of meal preparation. This role also supports meal logistics and fosters donor engagement, helping to sustain a supportive and nourishing environment for our families during challenging times.

This role may be a good fit for you if you have the following qualifications:

- **Hosting Skills**: Comfortable interacting with and hosting large donor groups, ensuring a positive and engaging experience that supports donor engagement and appreciation.
- **Organizational Skills**: Capable of sorting, labeling, and restocking items efficiently to ensure an orderly pantry and kitchen.
- **Attention to Detail**: Focus on maintaining food safety standards, managing inventory, and organizing supplies.
- **Compassion and Sensitivity**: Comfort interacting with families facing medical challenges, demonstrating empathy and understanding.
- **Reliability and Commitment**: Dependable and punctual, with a consistent dedication to supporting families and staff.

LOCATION: Holcombe House, 1907 Holcombe Blvd
REQUIREMENTS: 18 years or older, must successfully pass a background check
SCHEDULE: Three-hour shifts twice a month. Shifts are available daily: 10:30 am – 1:30 pm for lunch and 4:30 pm – 7:30 pm for dinner.
TO APPLY: Ronald McDonald House Houston