



## Residential Supports – Community Buddy Volunteer Description

**Purpose:** To provide a range of social and recreational opportunities that engage and support people with intellectual/developmental disabilities. Volunteers help to facilitate activities with participants one on one or in small groups.

### Site & Time:

- Activities take place regularly (weekly, biweekly or monthly) throughout the year, typically evenings and weekends, and may take place onsite at a JCFS building, or offsite at community locations, such as parks, shops, skating rinks, bowling alleys, etc.
- Activities are in person
- Times for activities may vary; daytime or evening

### Traits

- Enthusiastic and positive attitude
- Outgoing: ability to engage with a variety of people quickly and easily
- Comfortable supporting people with intellectual/developmental disabilities
- Reliable/dependable
- Flexible – go with the flow

### Responsibilities

- Schedule regular (weekly, biweekly or monthly) activities to interact with assigned resident(s).
- Must get activities approved and confirmed with the supervisor, house staff and resident(s) to ensure that everyone is aware of the plans and times
- Engage with resident(s) to help promote and create an atmosphere of togetherness and fun
- Find activities that are important to the resident(s) and/or help them explore new opportunities (going for coffee, to the movies, to a museum, for a walk, etc.)
- Promote safe and healthy choices for resident(s)

### Onboarding Required

- HIPAA video training
- Mandated Reporter video training
- Workplace Harassment video training
- Background Checks

### Key Interactions

Residents	Staff		
Volunteers	Families		

If interested, please email [volunteers@jcfs.org](mailto:volunteers@jcfs.org)

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