

Jewish Youth Mentoring Program

Volunteer Mentor Job Description

- Purpose:** To develop a special one-to one, consistent relationship with a child by sharing interests, hobbies and activities. To facilitate the child's development by providing a positive Jewish role model for the child to identify with.
- Duties:** May include any or all listed below:
- Meeting with youth per plan—usually two hours every other week.
 - Communicate with Program Coordinator after each visit with youth.
 - Attend update meetings with the family and program staff when needed.
- Expectations:** All volunteers are expected to stay within the boundaries of their job, maintain client confidentiality, and abide by the policies stated in the volunteer handbook.
- Time Required:** A minimum of two hours, two times a month, plus phone contacts in between. Initial commitment of one year required.
- Qualifications:** A fun, mature, well-adjusted teen or adult who takes an active interest in the welfare of children. Must be able to communicate well and establish a good rapport with youth. A non-judgmental attitude is imperative.
- Training:** An individual orientation is provided to all new volunteers. Support and ongoing training from Program Coordinator.
- Benefits:** This is a special opportunity to share your interests and have fun with a child on a continuing basis. More important is the opportunity to have a significant, positive effect on the child through the friendship and guidance you can provide.
- Contact:** Becky Lyle Sulkin, Jewish Youth Mentoring Program Coordinator, 952-542-4835 or bsulkin@jfcsmpls.org.

