

Free Bikes 4 Kidz MN Host Job Description 2021

Do you love working with people, bikes and doing great things for kids in need? Consider spending the rest of the year as a Free Bikes 4 Kidz MN Host!

Organization Overview:

Free Bikes 4 Kidz MN is a nonprofit organization geared toward helping all kids ride into a happier, healthier childhood by providing bikes to those most in need. The public donates gently used bikes, we organize thousands of volunteers to clean and refurbish them and then we give them away to deserving children. Each year, FB4K MN collects, restores and distributes about 10,000 bikes via community organizations through the generous help of over 5,000 volunteers.

Job Purpose:

The host is our chief volunteer engagement lead. As a host, you will introduce volunteers to us by sharing our story and serve as the primary volunteer trainer and liaison while managing the FB4K MN warehouse site during the bike refurbish stage.

Work Hours/Structure:

This is a seasonal position, now through mid-December. Hours range from 15-40 hour per week depending on applicant's availability and coordination with other host team members (5-6 people).

Organizational/Reporting Structure:

Reports to Executive Director; works closely with the Volunteer Coordinator, Bike Recipient Coordinator, Warehouse Coordinator, Mechanics, and Guides. Location is the warehouse in Brooklyn Center.

Job Tasks/Responsibilities/Accountabilities:

- Effectively share the FB4K MN story
- Open/close FB4K MN bike warehouse
- Prep site and ensure warehouse is ready for volunteer shifts
- Serve as primary onsite volunteer contact and supervisor; manage and engage volunteers: greet volunteers, conduct FB4K MN orientation, provide instruction, guide and monitor work tasks and progress
- Serve as FB4K MN representative and spokesperson; create positive and fun volunteer experience and atmosphere thereby supporting volunteer coordinator with future volunteer recruitment
- Review each volunteer shift registration entries; ensure contact information and waiver signature is complete

- Organize and manage documents and reports, daily: FB4K MN print collateral, volunteer records (attendance, participation numbers), bike tally/location reports; record information; inform team members via communication log
- In conjunction with the mechanic team, ensure volunteers are comfortable with and knowledgeable about their pre-selected position; provide a safe and efficient work space
- Manage and sort bike inventory by size; maintain records of bike refurbishment process and status (e.g., X number need to be cleaned, X number need to be worked on by a mechanic, X number are complete, etc.); report daily to mechanic and admin team
- Organize and maintain non-mechanic parts of the warehouse (e.g., welcome area, kitchen, bathrooms). Includes ensuring proper supplies for these areas as well as light housekeeping;
- Monitor volunteer inventory supplies, replenish as necessary
- Track and submit time sheets in timely manner
- Other duties as assigned.

Job Qualifications/Knowledge/Skills

- Excellent communication and people skills; able to lead, engage and motivate volunteers
- Familiar with interactive web-based tools/platforms such as Google Apps
- Organized and efficient, work effectively under pressure, respond positively to change, attentive to detail
- Must have a positive disposition, be flexible, responsive, adaptable; must possess a professional, positive, personable demeanor and be a collaborative team member
- Able to accommodate a flexible/irregular work schedule, including occasional evenings and weekends. (Must be available to work key event dates: Saturday August 14, Saturday September 11, Saturday, October 9; Saturday, December 18, and Saturday December 11 with possible extended hours on those weekends)
- Must be willing to work at least 20 hours per week during the 3-month season.
- Prior experience with nonprofit organizations, a fondness for biking and connection to the biking community, a plus
- Physical demands: extended periods of standing and walking within facility area

Submit resume and cover letter explaining why you are interested in this position to Tia Martinson, tia@fb4k.org with the subject line: FB4K MN Host.