

About LWSB

Founded in 1947, Lions World Services for the Blind is an international, nonprofit rehabilitation center for people who are blind or visually impaired. As the world's largest and most comprehensive rehabilitation center of its kind, LWSB has served more than 9,200 people from 50 states and 58 other countries. The goal of the center is to prepare the individual who is blind or visually impaired to function independently in our "sighted" society.

LWSB offers a complete personal adjustment program in 30 areas such as travel, communication, home management, and 13 vocational programs ranging from small engine repair to computer networking. In addition, LWSB provides individual and group counseling, as well as career training services.

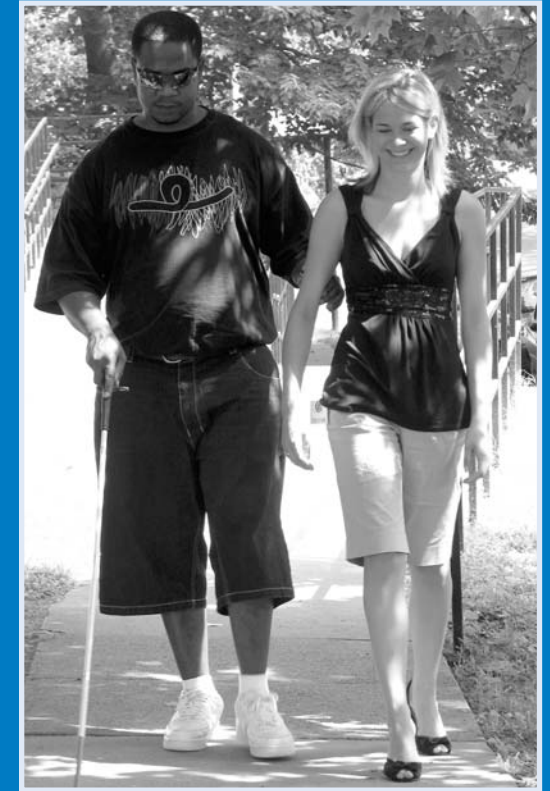
For more information on LWSB, please contact (501) 664-7100, or visit the organization's website at www.lwsb.org.

The volunteer program at LWSB is maintained by the Volunteer Coordinator.

Please call, write, or e-mail for more information, or visit www.lwsb.org and click on the "Volunteer" link.



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GET INVOLVED!

To get started as a volunteer, contact the Volunteer Coordinator to arrange an interview. During this interview, you will learn about LWSB and the Coordinator will explain the areas of service where volunteers are needed. The Coordinator will then arrange an orientation to LWSB and the volunteer program.

To work successfully with people who are blind or visually impaired, certain personality traits are best. A volunteer must be a person who is mature, empathetic, non-judgmental and non-possessive. The person should also have a solid self-awareness, a positive attitude, and sincere concern for other people.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

You can work as a volunteer on an "on call" basis or regular hours each week. Your help is needed on weekdays, weekends or evenings, depending on the activity. Here is a list of some of the opportunities available:

- **Computer Lab Assistant:** Needed to assist clients in preparing for certification exams and to act as "students" for clients learning to teach adaptive technology.
- **Tutoring Assistant:** Needed to help clients prepare for their GED.
- **Recreational Assistant:** Needed to guide clients on recreational outings.
- **Office Assistant:** Needed to assist with basic office duties: copying, filing, mailouts, etc.
- **Transportation Assistant:** Needed to transport clients for assorted errands and appointments. (Company car provided.)
- **Reading Assistant:** Needed to read mail and other materials to clients. Also needed to record text to audio tapes.

VOLUNTEER RESPONSIBILITIES

The volunteer provides a much-needed individual contact for a client, but the relationship must be professional. For that reason, you will receive a volunteer manual so that you will understand the safety policies and professional ethics of confidentiality. Information is shared only on a "need to know to serve" basis.

Our volunteers must be able to work with clients in a manner that contributes to their growth, development and well-being, without becoming emotionally involved with them.

OUR VOLUNTEERS ARE RECOGNIZED AND APPRECIATED!

We highly value our volunteers! We make every effort to demonstrate our appreciation by personal contact with each individual volunteer. We also honor volunteers at our annual volunteer appreciation activities. Our volunteers, however, say that the best recognition is the appreciation expressed by the clients they help.

