



2010 Volunteer Packet & Application

Please complete and return pages 6-8 of this packet to:

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Our Mission

Voice of Hope Ministries exists to provide children living in the neighborhoods of West Dallas with strong character models, education support, life skills, and family support services needed to become productive Christian citizens. Inner-city families are equipped with resources and skills needed to overcome and break the poverty cycle. The ministry seeks to meet the needs by addressing the whole person - spiritual, physical, and mental - through training, mentoring, exposure, emergency assistance, affirmation, counseling, networking and partnerships with other community agencies.

History

Voice of Hope Ministries, Inc. was founded in 1982 by Kathy Dudley. It is a Christian community center founded on principles of self-help, spiritual enrichment and urban renewal. Voice of Hope is a tax-exempt, 501(c)(3), Texas non-profit corporation. In meeting the needs of the whole person, Voice of Hope offers programs for all ages, including year-round Bible Clubs, After School Plus+ Program, Summer Day Camp, job training, Mission Impact, emergency assistance with food and clothing and monthly Community Outreach activities. In 1991, Voice of Hope Ministries was presented the "424th Point of Light" Award by President George Bush for outstanding service to the West Dallas community. Voice of Hope is a two time Crystal Charity Ball beneficiary, in 1998 and 2004.

Programs & Services

ASPIRE

Summer Day Camp

Out of Boundz

Family & Community Service

Ready 2 Read

Statement of Faith

Voice of Hope Ministries Affirms The Following:

- We believe that the Bible is the Word of God, divinely inspired in all parts and free error in the original writings.
- We believe in Jesus Christ, God's eternal Son, who became a man by being born of the virgin Mary. He lived a life of perfect obedience, died for our sins in our place, rose bodily from the dead, and ascended to the right hand of God the Father. He is now in a position of authority over all things and is our only advocate before God. We believe in His personal, visible, imminent return from heaven as Lord and Judge of all.
- We believe that the Holy Spirit the work of God to people- that He renews our hearts persuades us to repent of our sins and confess Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior, and empowers us to live lives pleasing to God.
- We believe that human beings are created in the image of God. Tempted by Satan, they rebelled against God and became tragically estranged from their Creator. Now all people are sinners by nature and by choice and are incapable of returning to God apart from faith in Jesus Christ.
- We believe that both the just and the unjust will be raised bodily at the end of the age, some to everlasting blessedness and some to everlasting punishment.
- We believe that the Church is the living body of Christ and is made up of all who are united to it by faith. Christ calls His Church to offer acceptable worship to God; to love and care for one another, to make disciples of all nations by going, baptizing and teaching; and to strive for social justice and relief to human distress and need.
- We believe that the Church as the living body of Christ is to enjoy relationships of reconciliation among all who are united to Him by faith. We believe Christ calls His Church to a life of reconciliation that is unhindered by racial, cultural, economic, social, national and other barriers.

2010 Program & Volunteer Schedule

A.S.P.I.R.E- After school program for the children of West Dallas, where they are able to get assistance with their home work, learn about the Bible, eat a healthy meal, and spend time with friends

Monday – Friday: 3:00-6:00p

Wednesday: 3:00-5:00p

Summer Day Camp- Out-of-School time service for the children of West Dallas and the neighboring children where they are able to have a fun safe environment throughout the summer; the students go on field trips, swimming, sports camp, KAA (for selected children), and learn life & social skills. This 9-week camp combines West Dallas children and those of other areas of Dallas to come together to have fun and fellowship with each other.

Monday – Friday: 9:00-4:00p

Friday Night Gym Lights- A basketball league formed by Voice of Hope that gives the at-risk-teens of West Dallas a fun and safe out-of-school time activity, as well as a chance to showcase their talents.

Programs runs for a 6-week season with a 2-week break in between.

Tuesday & Thursday: 6:30-8:00p

Friday: 6:00-9:00p

Reading Program- Students are able to get assistance with reading skills, through reading aloud, one-on-one, trips to the Public Library, and phonics tutoring

Weekdays 11:00-6:00p

Saturday: 10:30-12:30p

Family & Community Service- located at 4128 Gentry Drive, this program provide an array of services to the families of West Dallas, through Fresh Fruits ministry, emergency food pantry, bible study, evangelism outreach & more.

Monday - Wednesday 12:30-4:00p

Thursday: 9:30- 2:00p

	<u>March</u>		<u>April</u>
20	ASPIRE Easter Party	1	Easter Program, 5:30p
27	Eggstravaganza, 10:00a	17	DBU Super Saturday, 9:30a
		17	Rotary Grand Prix, 7:00a
		22	Family Reading Night, 5:30p
		24	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a
	<u>May</u>		<u>June</u>
1	Mother & Daughter Luncheon, TBA	5	Evangelism Outreach, 9:00a
5	Cinco de Mayo Program, 5:30p	7	<i>Summer Day Camp Begins</i>
15	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a		
22	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a		
	<u>July</u>		<u>August</u>
30	<i>Summer Day Camp Ends</i>		
	<u>September</u>		<u>October</u>
7	ASPIRE Begins	2	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a
4	Evangelism Outreach, 9:00a	9	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a
		16	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a
		22	Family Reading Night, 5:30p
		23	Fall Festival, 10:00a
	<u>November</u>		<u>December</u>
6	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a	4	Kids Christmas Party
13	Ready 2 Read, 10:00a	17	ASPIRE Ends
16	Thanksgiving Outreach, TBA	18	Holiday Outreach
17-18	Thanksgiving Basket Outreach		

Do's & Don'ts

...when volunteering at Voice of Hope

DO:

- make sure that you have completed all volunteer paper work before beginning your assignment.
- remember to always sign in & out. Anytime that you don't sign in or out will not be recorded as hours completed with Voice of Hope.
- dress appropriately for where you will be assisting. When in doubt it's best not to wear.
- explore all volunteer opportunities. If something is not fun to you, you can always try something new. Be sure to let either your supervisor know or the Volunteer Coordinator so that we can have your original area covered before you switch.
- knock before entering a classroom. We want to minimize distractions for our coaches & children.
- report any accidents to your supervisor or Volunteer Coordinator. We will also ask you to fill out an accident report for our records that will be kept confidential.
- be present and timely. If you are unable to volunteer please notify either your supervisor or Volunteer Coordinator.
- remember you are here to help Voice of Hope, be a positive role model for the kids & HAVE FUN!!!

DON'T:

- smoke on campus. Voice of Hope is a smoke-free for both the safety of our children, staff & volunteers, if you do need to smoke you must do so off campus.
- use vulgar language. We want to maintain a Christian environment so please help us be positive role-models for our children.
- transport any children with the consent of the Program Director or Volunteer Coordinator.
- do not fraternize with the children outside of the program, which includes baby-sitting, inviting children to your home, etc.
- allow a student to use your personal electronics devices.
- pick up children above your head.

Voice of Hope Ministries Acknowledgement & Agreement

I, _____ have read and understand all of the Volunteer Packet guidelines for being involved at Voice of Hope Ministries, Inc. and agree to work within the guidelines. I have had an opportunity to ask any questions about the material.

Print Name

Signature

Date



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Background Verification Release Form

AGENCY INFORMATION

Date	Agency Name Voice of Hope Ministries		
Contact Name Kimberly Jones--volunteer@voiceofhope.org			
Agency's Main Phone Number (214) 631-7027 x17		Agency's Fax Number (214) 631-7877	

APPLICANT INFORMATION:

Applicant Full Name (Last, First, MI)			
Current Address			
City	State	Zip Code	County
Social Security Number	Date of Birth	Driver's License Number	State Issued
Gender <input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female		Race <input type="checkbox"/> African American <input type="checkbox"/> American Indian <input type="checkbox"/> Anglo <input type="checkbox"/> Asian <input type="checkbox"/> Hispanic <input type="checkbox"/> Other	

I hereby authorize veriFYI and or its Service Provider to request and receive any and all background information about or concerning me, including but not limited to my Criminal History, Social Security Number Trace including a consumer report under the Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C 1681, Driving Record, Employment History, Military Background, Civil Listings, Educational Background, Professional License from any Individual, Corporation, Partnership, Law Enforcement Agency, and other entities including my Present and Past Employers.

The criminal history, as received from the reporting agencies, may include arrest and conviction data as well as plea bargains and deferred adjudications and delinquent conduct as committed as a juvenile. I understand that this information will be used, in part, to determine my eligibility for an employment/volunteer position with this organization. I also understand that as long as I remain an employee or volunteer here, the criminal history check may be repeated at any time. I understand that I will have an opportunity to review the criminal history as received by client/agency and a procedure is available for clarification, if I dispute the record as received. *I also understand that the criminal history could contain information presumed to be expunged.*

I further release and discharge VERIFIY and their Service Provider and all of their Subsidiaries, Affiliates, Officers, Employees, Contract Personnel, or Associates, from any and all claims and liability arising out of any request for information or records pursuant to this authorization, procurement of an investigative consumer report and understand that it may contain information about my character, general reputation, personal characteristics, and mode of living, whichever are applicable.

I understand that I have the right to make written request within a reasonable period of time to VeriFYI for additional information concerning the nature and scope of the investigation. I acknowledge that I have voluntarily provided the above information for employment/volunteer purposes, and I have carefully read and understand this authorization.

Applicant's Signature

Date

Applicant's Printed Name

Parent/Guardian's Signature
(if under 18 years of age)

