



### **Creating happier, healthier children**

The mission of Washburn is to help children with social, emotional and behavioral problems, and their families, lead successful lives. Early identification, evaluation and treatment are essential to helping children with mental health problems lead productive lives. Washburn volunteers help create happier, healthier children and a stronger community.

### **Volunteer Opportunities**

#### Holiday Toy Drive

Brighten the holidays for children from families with low incomes. Because we work closely with children and their families, we see the challenges faced by households who struggle to meet their basic needs. Our annual toy drive provides gifts to nearly 400 children.

**Sponsor Position:** Recruit a group of sponsors at your workplace, place of worship, or another organization to purchase toys for children in need during the holiday season. Coordinate the gift buying and delivery of toys to Washburn. Sponsorship commitments are needed in November.



#### Helping Hands for Kids Golf Tournament

Since 1986, Washburn has hosted an annual golf tournament to benefit our community's most at-risk children.

**Committee Member:** Help plan the golf tournament by recruiting golfers and securing sponsorships and auction items. Committee meets one hour per month, November – June.

**Event Volunteer:** Provide assistance on the day of the golf tournament. Help with registration, be a golf hole spotter, assist with the auction, or help facilitate the evening program.



#### The Washburn Games

The Washburn Games, held annually in the fall, gives children a chance to enjoy a fun afternoon of sporting activities while giving back to the community.

**Committee Member:** Help plan the Washburn Games by marketing the event or working on event logistics. Committee meets one hour per month, February - Sept.

**Event Volunteer:** Provide assistance on the day of The Washburn Games by helping participants through one of 20 sporting activities.



### **One-time Volunteer Opportunities**

Washburn Center for Children also has several one-time volunteer opportunities for you, your family or group of friends.

Food Drive: It is hard for children to think about their emotions when they are hungry. Coordinate a drive to collect food for our classroom-based services. In the Day Treatment Program, substantial snacks are provided to children while they are at Washburn. In the Family Focused Program, nutritious snacks are provided to children who attend the therapeutic preschool and light meals are provided to families who attend group sessions in the evening. A list of needed items would be provided.

Fix-up Projects: Activities to help us keep our facility a welcoming place for children and families include toy cleaning, classroom cleaning, and landscape work.

Administrative Assistance: To keep our administrative costs low, occasional help is needed when Washburn is sending out large mailings. This position would be responsible for labeling or addressing envelopes and assembling the contents of the mailing.

For more information on Washburn's volunteer positions, please contact  
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