Title: Logistic Center Volunteer Sorter

Staff Partner: Logistic Center Manager

Location: WINGS Logistic Center
1265 Oakton St.
Elk Grove

Age: Volunteers must be 14 years or older to volunteer individually. Volunteers age 10 to 13 must be accompanied with a parent or guardian.

Time: Most volunteers come once a week for 2 to 4 hours at a time. All volunteering schedules are made in advance. Opportunities for groups and students are available.

Commitment: Our volunteers are an important part of our team! We do provide a volunteer orientation and training to equip volunteers with the information they need. Because of this, we ask for a commitment of at least 40 hours (i.e. once a week for four (4) hours at a time for 10 weeks.) Most of our volunteers continue their involvement much longer!

Description: Each day we receive new and gently used items through the generosity of our local merchants and community members. We sell these items to the public with all proceeds going to support our shelters, counseling, and other services. These stores are a vital part of our organization because they provide the largest and most consistent source of funds for our program. All merchandise is also available to our residents, at no cost, as they rebuild their lives after the devastating effects of domestic violence and homelessness. To minimize the risk of injury, close-toed shoes are required.

The volunteer sorter graciously accepts boxes and bags full of donated items from members of our community. Then, often working together, the sorter(s) will inspect the items for damage and put them into the appropriate categories for further pricing and processing (i.e women’s clothing, kids toys, books, etc.)

This might be a good fit for you if:

- You are a self-described “treasure hunter,” or you enjoy the surprise of opening a box with no idea what will be inside
- You know about name brands of clothing or household items (or are willing to learn)
- You will enjoy using your attentive eye to find defects on items (including missing buttons, broken zippers, small stains, etc.)
- When needed, you are able to lift 25 lbs (example; a black trash bag full of clothing)
- You love clothes, books, accessories, shoes or shopping!
- You are able to work while standing
- You enjoy being a part of a great team made up of committed and diverse volunteers and staff members