

Volunteer Position Description

Position Title: Project X-It Financial Education Development (FED) Volunteer

Program and Department: Fiscal Resiliency Project – Early Learning and Family Services

Reports To: Chris Pasquale, Project X-It Specialist

Hours: 1-2 hours/week for 6 weeks, with option to continue 1-2 hours/month for duration of Project X-it

Mission Statement: To act as a catalyst for positive change, both in the community and in the lives of the people we serve.

Position Summary:

The Opportunity Council's Early Learning and Family Services (ELAFS) department is recruiting volunteers for an exciting 2-year financial resiliency pilot, Project X-It. Project X-It will provide financial education and coaching for 24 very low-income families with 3-year-olds enrolled in Head Start or the Early Childhood Assistance Program (ECEAP) in Whatcom and Island, or families of licensed caregivers in Skagit county. Both parents and children will actively participate.

We are seeking creative, engaging, and fun-loving adults to teach our finance curriculum and activities to small groups of preschoolers. Teaching methods include puppetry, sing-a-longs, make-believe, and other fun learning activities to teach healthy financial behaviors.

Responsibilities:

FED volunteers will commit to teaching one 1-2 hour lesson per week to small group settings. This is a 6-week volunteer position with up to 4 hours of pre-training prior to start. Volunteers will have an opportunity to extend their volunteer commitment once a month at our Project X-it Family Nights.

Training:

All volunteers receive quality training in the Financial Education Development Curriculum with continued support from staff and coordinators. Training will take place on September 12th and 25th, 2018 from 5:30pm-7:30pm. Volunteers will teach FED Tuesday evenings from 5:30pm-7:30pm starting October 9th, 2018.

Volunteer Requirements:

Applicants must be fun-loving, creative, and flexible individuals with a willingness to empower children through education regardless of difference in learning ability, personality, culture, or background. As a pre-k volunteer, it is important to have good listening skills and be able to respond to each child's needs.

Physical Requirements:

Sitting, Standing, Walking, Kneeling/Squatting, Crawling, Bend at Waist, Lifting: less than 25 lbs., Carrying: less than 25 lbs.

Application Deadline:

August 31st, 2018

To Apply: Apply online at http://www.oppco.org/how-to-help/, please specify "Project X-it FED Volunteer" in the "Special Skills" section of the application. For questions, contact Chris Pasquale, Project X-it Specialist at chris pasquale@oppco.org, or 360-734-8396 x376.