

## **Volunteer Opportunities at ACS**

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- *Mobilization/Deployment Readiness*
- *Survivor Outreach Services*
- *Financial Readiness Program*
- *Army Emergency Relief*
- *Army Volunteer Corps*
- *Army Family Team Building*
- *Army Family Action Plan*
- *Exceptional Family Member Program*
- *Family Advocacy Program*
- *Relocation Readiness Program*
- *Soldier and Family Assistance Center*
- *Information and Referral*

*Remember:*

*Volunteering can help you become known amongst civilian and military personnel in your organization thus lending greater opportunities for potential employment. Although employment promises cannot be guaranteed as a result of volunteering, it can put you in the right place at the right time.*

*Volunteering is not a prerequisite for employment, but many volunteers have demonstrated their qualifying skill level while working. Documented volunteer service is an excellent way to “get your foot in the door” to a great job.*



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## **VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

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## Why Volunteer at ACS?

- To help other Families
- To meet new people
- To learn about programs
- To share knowledge
- To feel needed
- For a change of pace
- To explore a career
- To be part of a team
- To be challenged
- To keep skills alive
- For adult time!
- For fun!

Volunteering at ACS provides the opportunity to develop a vast array of job skills, networking, self-discovery and is a fantastic venue for meeting people within our community, as well as developing new friendships. We are a group of people that enjoy helping others.

## ACS offers FREE CHILDCARE for its volunteers!

ACS offers up to 10 hours per week (per family) of paid childcare for volunteers. Volunteers are responsible for scheduling hourly care with West Point's Child Development Services.

## I want to volunteer at ACS ...now what?

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All volunteers must be registered through the Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS). Contact the ACS Volunteer Coordinator for details or visit [www.myarmyonesource.com](http://www.myarmyonesource.com) for available volunteer positions within ACS or other installation activities.

Consider what you want to do for the community and the time required to accomplish the duties outlined in the position description. Please note that all positions are FLEXIBLE! If you can't spare 8-10 hours per week but can do 4, ACS will work with you!

Consider what you may want in return from your volunteer position, such as building your knowledge base, improving skills, child care, and/or personal satisfaction for making a difference.

Contact Christina Overstreet to schedule the ACS Volunteer Orientation which includes completion of the DD Form 2793, Volunteer Agreement Form. (Please note: A background check must be conducted in order for a volunteer to work with children and youth.)

Have fun, be proud and know that you are a valued member of the ACS team and the West Point Community.

## Who are ACS Volunteers?

ACS volunteers are Soldiers, retirees, civilians, spouses, youth and Survivors. The common bond of these volunteers is the desire to help meet the needs of Army community members, the desire to assist ACS in its Mission to "deliver comprehensive programs and services supporting life-long learning, empowering individuals, Soldiers, Families, and units enhancing their personal growth and professional development."

## Why is registration important?

It is important to be registered as a volunteer and to document your work hours. Proper registration includes registration in the web-based Volunteer Management Information System (VMIS) and completion of a Volunteer Agreement Form. Proper registration protects volunteers in case they get injured while performing the duties outlined in your position description.

The Department of Army requires volunteers be registered and log hours for accountability purposes. Volunteers submit hours monthly through VMIS.

Volunteer work is recognized as actual work experience, but it's hard to show that on a resume unless it's officially documented. Every Volunteer hour equals one hour of paid work experience. The Office of Personnel Management (OPM) credits applicants' volunteer experience when matching and qualifying skills criteria for paid positions.