EDUCATION VOLUNTEER

OPPORTUNITY SUMMARY

Volunteers in the Education Department assist teachers by tutoring individual students or by working with small groups inside and outside the classroom. Our students’ needs range from basic literacy and numeracy to high school equivalency test preparation (TASC test). Math tutors at all levels are especially in demand. Key factors to note:

• There is an onboarding period to acclimate new volunteers to the department that includes shadowing and attending one education class
• All materials will be provided by program staff
• Volunteers are encouraged to create lessons or facilitate classes if it is an area of interest

Volunteers are rewarded with the opportunity to work with adults who are anxious to succeed, who are receptive and grateful for volunteers’ help.

PREFERRED BACKGROUND

• Teaching or experience in education is a plus, but not required
• Familiarity and ability to facilitate lessons (provided by the instructor) around basic educational functions such as reading comprehension, essay writing, and/or math skills is required
• Sensitivity toward the population served by The Fortune Society and the ability to assist them without bias is necessary.

Location: The Fortune Society’s Long Island City office, 29-76 Northern Blvd. Long Island City, NY 11101.

When:

• Semesters run for 11 weeks, then a 2-week break, 4 times a year
• Classes are held mornings (10:00AM to 12:00PM), afternoons (12:45PM to 2:45PM), and evenings (6:00PM to 8:00PM)
• Volunteers should commit to a minimum of 2 hours/week during the 11-week semester

INTERESTED?

Please click here to submit your information to the Volunteer Committee. We will get back to you as soon as possible.

NOTE: Fortune is open Monday - Friday from 9- 5, with some Education classes in the evening. We ask for a commitment of at least 6 months. Volunteers are expected to participate in a training to learn about Fortune and the program they volunteer for.