

Volunteer Opportunities

Kids Zone: Energetic volunteers are needed to provide assistance to the children participating in several different activities such as Farmer for a Day, games & relays, crafts and bouncy castles.

Home Arts: Volunteers are needed the Monday before the fair to help set up the tables and hang signs, at the fair to arrange entries for judging, distribute ribbons and greet the public as well as keeping an eye on exhibits.

Information Booth: Volunteers are required to provide information to Fairgoers by giving directions and updates on fair events. Volunteers need to be familiar with the layout of the fairgrounds and the fair events.

Set Up/Take Down: Volunteers start a week prior to fair, moving items, cleaning, painting, hanging signs, setting up tables, distributing garbage cans and recycle bins and generally setting up for the event. Once the event is complete, the fairgrounds are brought back to normal, which may take up to a week to complete.

Cleaner: Volunteers are required to keep the area clean by cleaning off food tables and picking up garbage off the ground.

Volunteer Check-In: Assist with organizing volunteers by checking them in, maintaining volunteer roster and schedules. Must be good at communication and be a people person.

Security: Provide security to all fairgoers. All security personal must be licensed (license must be submitted to the security director prior to the fair).

Cashier: Handling cash is a specialized function and preference is given to professional cashiers or well experienced volunteers. Training will be provided during the week prior to the fair.

Entrance Gates: Volunteers are required to greet the public, place wrist bands on fairgoers and pass out fair programs.

Administration: Volunteers are required to assist in the show office, answering telephones, relaying messages, looking after the lost and found.

Parking: Volunteers are required to direct fairgoers to free parking spots in their designated areas.

People Mover: Volunteers to drive the little train must have a valid driver's licence. Volunteers to assist driver to let him know when all passengers are seated and it is safe to proceed.

Volunteer Dress Code

- Volunteers represent the VIEx so are required to wear clean clothing that is in good repair.
- Volunteers are not allowed to wear gang related attire, shorts that are shorter than three inches above the knees, clothing bearing commercial or sport team logos, clothing depicting sexual acts or nude body parts, tobacco or other drugs/or have offensive language or symbols.

Volunteer Policy

- All volunteers will complete and submit a Volunteer Application Form and waiver form
- All volunteers will attend one orientation, read the Volunteer Manual pamphlet provided and become familiar with their specific responsibilities.
- All volunteers will become familiar with the site layout of the fairgrounds and the locations of commonly asked-for amenities (washrooms, water, First Aid station and stages etc.).
- All volunteers will be treated with respect and will be respectful to all fairgoers, other volunteers, performers and the VIEx Directors.
- Volunteers will have access to water (please bring your own water bottle) and will be provided with one meal for each four hour shift served.
- Volunteers will receive a Volunteer T-shirt (excluding Youth groups who will be wearing their own designated group shirts) and entrance to the fair for the day of service.
- Volunteers will be recognized at the Volunteer Appreciation Party.
- All volunteers agree that if a child is separated from their caregivers they will immediately contact a VIEx Director who will contact VIEx security.
- Volunteers agree to complete their volunteer shift by arriving on time, staying the committed time, wearing a volunteer T-shirt and name tag and reporting to the volunteer check in at the end of their shift to be signed out.
- All volunteers agree to change into their regular clothing after shift is completed if they intend on staying at the fair.
- All volunteers understand that there is a policy of zero tolerance on activities including but not limited to, the use of controlled drugs and alcohol, vandalism, theft and harassment.