



*Where Children Learn to Grieve and Heal*

## **Camp Erin® of the Central Valley 2017 Volunteer Application**

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at Camp Erin of the Central Valley, June 8-11, 2017!!!

In order to volunteer you must be at least 18 years old as of May 1, 2017 and have a high school diploma or equivalent.

Please make arrangements to attend the following, which are required for all camp volunteers:

- Orientation Meeting (overview/commitment) – Thursday, February 23, 2017, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
- Trainings: March 9 (New Volunteers Only) and April 6 (All Volunteers), Dinner at 5:30 p.m. training from 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- Let's go to camp! Cabin Buddy training – May 4 (All Volunteers) 5:30-8:00 p.m.
- Save Your Spot (meet your campers!) – May 12, 5:30-8:00 p.m.
- Camp Erin of the Central Valley – June 8-11, 2017
- Staff Post-Camp Evaluation BBQ – June 29, 2017
- Camper Reunion - To be announced

Volunteers are assigned on a first-come, first-served basis, based on the needs of the camp and campers. Many positions are dependent on the age and gender of campers which often aren't known until all camper applications are in and camp is full. We will endeavor to notify all volunteers of their assigned volunteer position as camper applications dictate.

Volunteers who apply after all positions are filled will be put on a wait list and notified when openings occur.

Volunteers will be contacted to schedule a required interview and complete the reference check process. Reference checks are not required for returning volunteers.

All volunteers will be required to complete and pass a background check.

### **MAIL/HAND DELIVERY:**

Community Hospice  
Attn: Camp Erin of the Central Valley  
4368 Spyres Way  
Modesto, CA 95356

**FAX:** 209.541.3294

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If you have any questions please contact Camp Erin of the Central Valley at 209.578.6300.

# Camp Erin of the Central Valley Volunteer Job Description

**TITLE:** Cabin Buddy

**REPORTS TO:** Camp Counselor

**DUTIES:** Cabin Buddy (CB) serves as a child's role model, mentor and anchor for the weekend and takes part in all aspects of camp alongside their campers.

## **REQUIREMENTS ARE THE FOLLOWING:**

- Complete and submit an application
- Complete a phone or personal interview
- Complete a background check
- Attend Orientation Meeting (overview and commitment). Thursday, February 23, 2017, 5:30-8:30 p.m.
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- Attend Let's go to camp! Cabin Buddy training – Thursday, May 4 (All Volunteers) 5:30-8:00 p.m.
- Attend Save Your Spot. Friday, May 12, 5:30-8:00 p.m.
- Attend Camp Erin of the Central Valley – June 8-11, 2017 – Thursday 10:00 a.m. until Sunday 5:00 p.m.
- Attend Staff Post-Camp Evaluation BBQ – June 29, 2017
- Attend Camper Reunion. Date, time and location to be announced.

## **CAMP WEEKEND:**

CB's are on-site the entire weekend. All CB's assist with grief activities during camp in partnership with Staff under the supervision of the Camp Counselor.

## **Responsibilities of the CB's include, but are not limited to the following:**

- Know where the campers in your assigned cabin are at ALL times!
- Create a positive, fun, supportive and energetic atmosphere for campers!
- Facilitate camper and cabin-group bonding
- Participate in and or facilitate sharing activities
- Eat all meals and share a cabin with assigned campers
- Ensure campers complete activity during scheduled time
- Move campers from activity to activity according to the camp schedule
- Being familiar with grief and medical history of each assigned camper before Save Your Spot event
- Any other duties as assigned by the Camp Director

## **QUALIFICATIONS:**

High School diploma or equivalent. Must be 18 years of age by May 2017 and have a California Drivers License or a State Identification Card. Must have a professional attitude and sensitivity towards children and other volunteers. Must be highly motivated, energetic and creative, demonstrating the ability to work with children dealing with grief. Must be able to navigate safely in a camp environment which is rustic and physically challenging.

## **PERFORMANCE STANDARDS:**

Must complete all Camp Erin of the Central Valley Volunteer Training segments. Must abide by all Camp Erin of the Central Valley policies and procedures, including but not limited to: Adult/Child Abuse & Domestic Violence Reporting, Harassment & Non-Discrimination, Job Safety, Sexual Abuse, Confidentiality/HIPAA, and Responsible Conduct.

I have read and understand this job description and agree to abide by this description with my volunteer work at Camp Erin of the Central Valley.

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Cabin Buddy

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Date

# Applicant Information

\* Required

1. **Full Name \*** \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Name I prefer to be called \*** \_\_\_\_\_

3. **Birthdate \*** (mm/dd/yyyy) \_\_\_\_\_

4. **Gender \***

Male

Female

5. **Street Address \*** \_\_\_\_\_

6. **City \*** \_\_\_\_\_

7. **State \*** \_\_\_\_\_

8. **Zip Code \*** \_\_\_\_\_

9. **Phone Number \*** (xxx-xxx-xxxx)

Best number to reach you during the day \_\_\_\_\_

10. **Cell Phone \*** (xxx-xxx-xxxx) \_\_\_\_\_

11. **Email Address \*** \_\_\_\_\_

12. **Occupation \*** (If retired, former occupation) \_\_\_\_\_

13. **Company where you work, or if retired, formerly worked \*** \_\_\_\_\_

14. **Military Affiliation \***

None

Active Duty

Reserves

Veteran

**If affiliated, please identify which branch** \_\_\_\_\_

15. **Previous Camp Erin Volunteer? \***

Have you volunteered at any Camp Erin before?

Yes

No

**If Yes, where and when** \_\_\_\_\_

16. **Why would you like to volunteer for Camp Erin of the Central Valley? \***

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17. **What personal characteristics and experiences will aid in your ability to work with children/teens in a bereavement camp setting? \***

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18. **Do you play a musical instrument, sing or have other artistic talents that you would be willing to share at camp? If so, please indicate.**

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19. **Languages \***

Do you speak a language fluently other than English?

- Yes
- No

**If yes, which language** \_\_\_\_\_

20. **Ethnicity \***

For demographic purposes only.

*Mark all that apply.*

- African American
- Asian
- Caucasian
- Hispanic/Latino
- Native American
- Pacific Islander
- Multi-Race
- Other

21. **What age group do you prefer to work with at camp? \***

*Select no more than two options.*

- Ages 6-8
- Ages 9-10
- Ages 11-12
- Ages 13-14
- Ages 15-17

22. **Please provide us with your T-Shirt size \***

Mens sizes only.

- Small
- Medium
- Large
- X-Large
- XX-Large
- XXX-Large

23. **Professional Designation \***

Do you hold any of the following?

*Mark all that apply.*

- None
- LMFT
- LCSW
- Psychologist
- RN
- LVN
- MD
- MSW
- Associate Social Worker (ASW)

24. **Have you ever been convicted of a misdemeanor or felony? \***

- Yes
- No

**If yes, please explain** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

25. **Emergency Contact \*** \_\_\_\_\_

26. **Relationship \*** \_\_\_\_\_

27. **Emergency Contact Phone Number \*** (xxx-xxx-xxxx) \_\_\_\_\_

28. **Medical Conditions \***

Are there any medical conditions, mental health concerns, physical limitations (such as asthma, sleep apnea, recent surgeries) or other concerns that you feel the camp leadership should be aware of? Please be specific.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

29. **Do you have any allergies? \***

- Yes
- No

**If yes, please list here** \_\_\_\_\_

30. **Food Allergies \***

Do you have any of the following? Be specific.

- None
- Nuts (any type)
- Dairy
- Soy
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

31. **Do you have any dietary restrictions? \***

We can accommodate some dietary restrictions.

*Mark all that apply.*

- None
- Vegetarian
- Vegan
- Gluten Free
- Lactose Intolerant
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

32. **Job Description \***

Camp will be hosted at the rustic and physically challenging Foothill Horizons Outdoor School in the foothills of the Central Sierra which is approximately 2,500 feet above sea level. I acknowledge that I have read the Cabin Buddy job description and acknowledge the requirements. Please initial. \_\_\_\_\_

33. **I acknowledge the required orientation and training dates and commit to attending all of them. \***

- Yes
- No

34. **Confidentiality Agreement \***

Camp Erin of the Central Valley Statement of Confidentiality \* I understand that in the course of my volunteer work with Camp Erin of the Central Valley, I may learn certain facts about volunteers, campers and families that are of a highly personal and confidential nature. Examples of such information would include medical/mental health diagnosis, treatment, finances, living arrangements, sexual orientation, relations with family members, and the like. I understand that all such information must be treated as absolutely confidential. I agree not to disclose any information to any person outside of Camp Erin of the Central Valley. I further agree to abide by all requirements of my Camp Erin of the Central Valley role, including training. I also certify that the information supplied on this application is true and complete to the best of my knowledge. Please initial. \_\_\_\_\_

35. **Signature of Applicant \*** \_\_\_\_\_

36. **Date \*** \_\_\_\_\_