



Friend of ATV Volunteer Description

Take action within your community! Volunteer with Alternatives to Violence!

Title: Friend of A.T.V.

Responsible to: Victims Advocate Coordinator

Primary Objective of Position: Assist with agency, transitional housing, and Safehouse needs as they arise, including special events, projects, outreach, fundraising, and maintenance.

Essential Functions:

Depending on the volunteers' interest and the needs of the agency, essential functions may include but are not limited to:

- Planning and participating in ATV special events
- Preparing bulk mailings
- Staffing outreach efforts, such as in schools, informational booths, parades, etc.
- Helping with fundraising efforts, such as posting flyers, staffing events, thanking donors, etc.
- Helping maintain transitional housing and Safehouse buildings and ground, such as general maintenance, electrical, plumbing, and yard work
- Other needs as they arise

Qualifications:

- Good listening and communication skills
- Possess open, non-judgmental attitude toward survivors of crime
- Ability to work on short notice at times
- Ability to pass a criminal background check
- Ability to work with a wide range of people
- Ability to abide by confidentiality agreement and Alternatives to Violence's volunteer policies and procedures

Training and Support:

If you are interested in becoming a Friend of ATV, please fill out and return an Application for Volunteers – General, which is available at www.alternativestoviolence.org. You will then meet with the Victims Advocate Coordinator for an interview to discuss your interests and the position. A background and reference check will be done. Any crime against a person may disqualify you from the process. Training will take place as necessary. Friends are encouraged to attend bi-annual training sessions to learn more about working with victims of violent crime.

Time Commitment:

Friends of ATV may volunteer with one project, or they may choose to be on a volunteer list to be called as needs arise at ATV.

Initial Impact:

Although our Friends help ATV with our “miscellaneous” needs, they are still an essential part of our team. From helping with annual fundraising efforts to repairing a hole in the wall, we rely on our Friends to help keep this agency running.

Sustainable Outcome:

Friends help with day-to-day and long-term tasks in all aspects of the agency to help keep Alternatives to Violence running efficiently so that we can accomplish our mission of serving victims of violent crime in Southern Larimer County.

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