



Eastland County Crisis Center

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VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

AGE REQUIREMENTS

Office /Service Volunteer- at least 18 years of age

Advocate Volunteer- at least 21 years of age

Special Event Volunteer- at least 18 years of age although teenagers over the age of 16 years may help at a single external event with legal guardian permission and at least one professional (teacher, coach, faith community, etc.) reference.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS FOR ADULTS:

All volunteers must successfully complete an application and the following checks prior to serving:

- Personal Reference Check (at least 2 non-family members)
- Criminal Background Check
- Department of Family Protective Services
- Sex Offender Registry

The ECCC will not be able to accept volunteers who:

- Have a criminal charge or conviction relating to family violence, sexual assault, or child abuse
- Are currently on parole
- Have an investigative finding of Reason to Believe from DFPS

All other charges and convictions will be evaluated on a case-by-case basis in the terms of circumstance and context, age of charge/conviction, and type of charge/conviction.

REQUIRED TRAINING:

Office/Special Event Volunteers- 2- hour Orientation over CVAC/CAC and any additional information needed for volunteer assignment

Advocate Volunteer- Office of the Attorney General Sexual Assault Certified and Domestic Violence training (40 hours) completed over 4-8 weeks, depending on the volunteer's schedule and availability of guest lecturers. This will be followed by 10 hours of on-the-job training with a more experienced advocate.