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## Volunteer at LIFE CIL and Make a Difference!

### *Durable Medical Equipment Loan Program Volunteer Opportunity*

Are you a healthcare student eager to make a meaningful impact while gaining valuable skills for your future career? We have an exciting opportunity for you to get involved with LIFE Center for Independent Living (LIFE CIL), where you can contribute to our mission while developing essential skills, including familiarity with durable medical equipment, working with individuals with disabilities, maintaining confidentiality and privacy, and ensuring the highest standards of professionalism. Your dedication can transform lives and ensure the well-being and dignity of all individuals in our community. Join us on this rewarding journey and be part of something truly impactful.

### About LIFE CIL

LIFE CIL is dedicated to advancing equality and integration for all persons with disabilities. We serve the communities of DeWitt, Ford, Livingston, and McLean Counties. Our mission encompasses:

- Promoting local, state, and national advocacy for the rights and well-being of individuals with disabilities.
- Educating persons with disabilities about their rights and responsibilities.
- Providing essential support services to enhance the lives of individuals with disabilities.
- Raising community awareness about disability issues, fostering inclusion, and breaking down barriers.

### Why Volunteer at LIFE CIL?

By volunteering with LIFE CIL, you'll have the opportunity to:

1. **Become Familiar with Medical Equipment:**  
Gain hands-on experience with a wide range of durable medical equipment, helping you better understand the tools your future patients may rely on.
2. **Develop Customer Service Skills:**  
Interact directly with consumers, providing them with support and guidance as they select and receive the equipment they require. This experience will enhance your customer service and interpersonal skills.
3. **Gain Data Entry and Forms Experience:**  
Assist with administrative tasks, including data entry and form completion. This experience will bolster your organizational and administrative abilities.
4. **Learn Office Equipment Proficiency:**  
Operate essential office equipment like telephones, copiers and more, adding valuable office administration skills to your toolkit.
5. **Experience Working with Individuals with Disabilities:**  
Work closely with individuals who have disabilities, providing them with the assistance they need. This experience will help you develop empathy, adaptability, and the ability to cater to diverse patient needs.

6. **Understand Confidentiality and Privacy:**

Learn the importance of confidentiality and privacy in a healthcare setting. Your work will involve handling sensitive information, and you'll gain valuable insights into how to protect consumers' rights and data.

7. **Complete Background Check:**

As part of our commitment to the safety and security of our clients and volunteers, you will be required to undergo a background check.

8. **Disability Etiquette Training:**

To ensure that all interactions with individuals with disabilities are respectful and considerate, you will receive disability etiquette training.

9. **Make a Real Impact:**

Your contributions will directly benefit individuals in our community who depend on this equipment for their daily lives. You'll experience the immediate and tangible impact of your work.

10. **Receive Recognition:**

Volunteers receive a certificate for hours-of-service beginning with 50 hours of volunteer work. Volunteers who work 100 hours or more and meet or exceed expectations may also request a professional letter of recommendation from the LIFE CIL volunteer supervisor. There is also a Volunteer of the Year at the LIFE CIL Annual Meeting.

## Flexible Volunteering

We understand that your academic commitments can be demanding. That's why we offer flexible volunteer opportunities that fit your schedule (Monday – Friday from 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.). Whether it's part-time or occasional assistance, we welcome your involvement.

## How to Get Involved

If you're interested in making a difference while acquiring valuable skills for your healthcare career, we invite you to attend our upcoming information session. There, you'll learn more about LIFE CIL, our organization's mission, volunteer roles, and how you can get started. Join our team of compassionate volunteers and become an integral part of our mission to improve lives through the power of durable medical equipment.

## Ready to Take the Next Step?

For more information or to express your interest, please contact Brianne Anderson at [brianne@lifecil.org](mailto:brianne@lifecil.org). We look forward to meeting you, introducing you to our team, and working together to provide essential support to our consumers while upholding the mission of LIFE CIL.