

JERICHO ROAD PROJECT

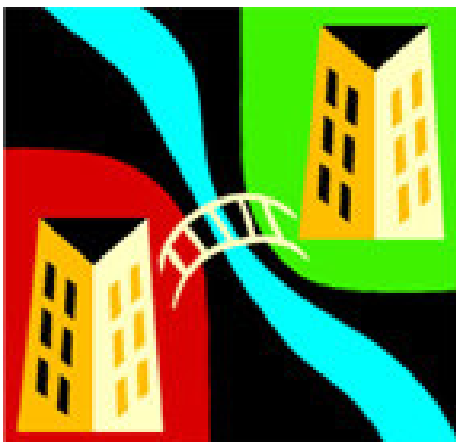
SKILLS-BASED VOLUNTEERING IN THE MERRIMACK VALLEY

Benefits of volunteering through Jericho Road:

- Time limited, skills-based projects that fit your schedule
- Share your greatest talents and expertise
- Program staff who provide:
 - project management support
 - readiness screening of all clients and projects
 - deep knowledge of the Lowell community and the nonprofit sector
- Learn workplace skills - such as managing a project or mastering software - that make you more valuable professionally

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Jericho Road Project addresses economic inequities and quality-of-life issues in Lowell, MA by matching the professional service needs of Lowell nonprofits to the talents and resources of the surrounding suburban communities.

We help individuals who do not have the time to make long term commitments, but want to give back to the community, by providing them with relatively short volunteer opportunities, donating their professional skills to worthy charities in Lowell. This, in turn, allows Jericho Road to provide its nonprofit clients with a wide range of otherwise unaffordable professional services, at no cost. We currently seek volunteers with skills in:

- board development
- strategic planning
- business planning
- marketing
- editorial services
- organizational assessment
- web development
- executive coaching
- legal services
- accounting
- graphic design
- IT advising

Partial list of Lowell clients:

Acre Family Child Care
Arts League of Lowell
Community Teamwork Inc.
Greater Lowell Community Foundation
Latin American Health Institute
Lowell Community Health Center
Lowell Small Business Assistance Ctr.
Merrimack Valley Food Bank
New England Quilt Museum
Non-Profit Alliance for Greater Lowell
Pollard Memorial Library
Rape Crisis Services of Greater Lowell
Southeast Asian Water Festival
The Revolving Museum
United Teen Equality Center
Visiting Nurse Association

Hot volunteer opportunities in Lowell-Fall 2009

If you, or someone you know, is a good fit for one of the projects described below, please contact Lowell Program Director Jodi DeLibertis at: jdelibertis@jerichoroadproject.org.

Business & strategic planning and org. development

The African Center of the Merrimack Valley is a newly formed nonprofit that seeks to empower Africans to achieve independence and gain the ability to face challenges of life in the Merrimack Valley. The African Center seeks a **facilitator to help guide a visioning and strategic planning process** for their effort.

The **Cambodian Mutual Assistance Association** is dedicated to improving the quality of life for Cambodian Americans and other minorities and economically disadvantaged persons in Lowell through educational, cultural, economic and social programs. CMAA seeks a **business planning professional to help with a feasibility study for a new translation service** in the Lowell area and, if appropriate, provide assistance in business planning that will drive implementation of the new service.

Wat Buddhavhavana (The Great Wisdom Center) is a Buddhist meditation center that provides many services to the Lowell Laotian community and all others in the region who are interested in strengthening youth, elders, intergenerational and family understanding. They seek an **expert to develop a business plan for elder housing that would be open to all but with a special focus on low-income Laotian elders**.

Marketing and Design

The **Visiting Nurse Association of Greater Lowell** is committed to providing the highest quality home health care. The VNA is looking for a **graphic designer to design their 2009 annual report**. The report will be the culmination and the record of the VNA's 100th year and will help extend the "buzz" into 2010 by creating an educational, marketing, and historic document.

Fundraising

Christ Church United stands at the forefront of the fight against homelessness and has helped stabilize the lives of impoverished community members. CCU seeks **assistance conducting a capital campaign** to raise funds to re-purpose a portion of the church into energy-efficient rental apartments for homeless families.

Business Consulting and Instruction

Lowell Small Business Assistance Center provides entrepreneurs from ethnically and economically diverse groups with the education, tools, and resources needed to start, sustain and expand viable small businesses. The Center is looking for a **consultant who has owned his/her own business to advise on the start-up and marketing of a business**. The Center is also looking for a **lawyer experienced in small business issues who would enjoy teaching an introductory law class for small business owners**.

Information Technology

The **New England Quilt Museum** uses quilts and the stories of quilt-making to inspire and educate quilters and the general public. The Museum is looking for a **web designer to create an online library of the museum's books**.

Other Types of Volunteering Work with Lowell School Children or Volunteer at a Summer Festival in Lowell

This summer Jericho Road will offer families opportunities to volunteer at the Lowell Folk Festival and the Southeast Asian Water Festival. Starting this fall, we will have on-going opportunities to work with the Lowell Community Charter Public School and will be seeking volunteers to:

- Read to students during the school day
- Work with adults to improve their English language skills.

The Lowell Community Charter Public School's highest priority is the promotion of academic achievement for all students. The school places special emphasis on the contributions that immigrants have made to American life and to Lowell's development over the years, and on the culture, language and history of the Southeast Asian and Latino peoples who comprise a substantial portion of Lowell's present day population.

To learn more, please email: jdelibertis@jerichoroadproject.org.

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