



Volunteer Opportunity Description

Position Overview	Camp Counselor at The Arc of San Diego’s summer resident camp program, Camp-A-Lot
Position Title	Camp Counselor
Position Type	Volunteer Camp Staff
Key Responsibilities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Responsible for the health and safety of participants and other volunteers during program hours ▪ To provide direct assistance, when necessary, in eating, dressing, personal care and during sleep hours ▪ To be a role model in interacting with the camp community in an appropriate and acceptable manner ▪ To complete and return paperwork in the required time frame ▪ To motivate, encourage and assist the campers to participate in camp activities, have fun and to enjoy their surroundings ▪ To work as a member of the Camp Team ▪ Responsible for following and enforcing the camp rules as well as making the campers aware of the camp rules
Initial Impact	Assist in the successful implementation of the Camp-A-Lot program.
Sustained Outcomes	Providing a safe environment where program participants (campers) can enjoy themselves in a residential camp setting and look forward to returning each summer.
Training	<p>The training will include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 3 days of In-Town Orientation and Training at The Arc of San Diego and 1 day of In-Camp Orientation at the camp facility ▪ Health & safety, introduction to developmental/intellectual disabilities, other camp related procedures ▪ Strategies for working with consumers (direct care and behavioral) ▪ Explanation of paperwork, forms and reports used during camp program ▪ Each Camp Counselor will also receive: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ A Camp-A-Lot Training Manual ▪ An honorarium (gift card “thank you”) in appreciation of their time gifted to Camp-A-Lot
Support	Camp Counselors are supported at camp by other members of the Camp Team including their direct supervisors (Program Counselor), and Camp Support Staff (Camp Director, Program Specialist, Health Supervisor, Aquatics Specialist and Craft Specialist).
Commitment	Pre-Camp Orientation and Training listed above AND at least one full camp session. Camp Sessions are residential and require Camp Counselors to be on-site for 5-6 days, 24 hours/day.
Length of Time	Camp sessions are 5-6 days in length, currently there are two (2), 5 day residential sessions planned
Amount of Time	2, 5 day sessions at resident camp. Would prefer you work both sessions, but you may work only one (1)
Specific Schedule	Pre-Camp Training: July 9, 10, 11. Residential Session #1: July 13-18. Residential Session #2: July 21-25, 2018
Location	Sulpizio Family Center, 3030 Market Street, San Diego, CA 92102 and Cuyamaca Outdoor School, Descanso, CA (San Diego County)
Qualifications	<p>The ideal candidate will demonstrate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Proof of 18 years of age ▪ The desire and ability to work and gain experience with persons with developmental and intellectual disabilities in an outdoor setting ▪ The ability to lift 50 lbs. of weight ▪ The ability to assist with transfers of persons in wheelchairs as required ▪ Ability to participate in physical activities including; extensive walking in various terrains and long periods of standing ▪ Ability to pass a detailed Background Check and drug test (we provide)
Skills	The ideal camp counselor will be fun, outgoing and have a great sense of humor. They will also have the ability to be flexible and not get upset when “schedules” are changed. It would help if they could be a self-



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	<p>starter, with the ability to motivate others to participate in impromptu games of basketball, mud kick-ball, talent shows and dinosaur egg hunts. Firsthand experience with sunburn, bug bites and wild critters is definitely a plus!</p>
<p>Benefits</p>	<p>This opportunity is beneficial because:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ You will directly participate in changing the life of another person ▪ You will build volunteer hours for College Applications or High School ▪ You will build experience that will look good on any resume ▪ You will gain professional references ▪ Gain experience in working directly with persons with disabilities for occupations such as teaching, physical & occupational therapy and nursing

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