

People volunteer for a variety of reasons. Some are motivated by altruistic values. Some seek social justice. Others see service as a way to enable a democratic political system. Whatever your reason, we believe volunteering can transform you and the world around you. Still unsure how **you** can help?

Here are a few reasons to volunteer:

- 1. When you stay home you get too many telemarketing calls.
- 2. Your family could use a break from you.
- 3. You might, just need help yourself some day.
- 4. It's hard to win a game of solitaire.
- 5. Soap operas all sound alike.
- 6. Stop <u>watching</u> reality shows and <u>do</u> something real!
- 7. Why let your boss have all the fun in life?
- 8. The car needs a workout.
- 9. Your mom would be proud of you.
- 10. Who cares about money?

All jokes aside, whatever your reason may be, give us a call!



Blind Center of Nevada

Open Monday-Friday 8am-5pm
(702) 642-6000
1001 N. Bruce Street
Las Vegas, NV 89101
Easily accessible from the I-95 at the
"Las Vegas Blvd." exit or
the I-15 at the "D Street" exit.

Come join a winning team!
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Volunteer Vision

Overheard at the World Volunteer Conference, in response to the observation that volunteers are too often seen as amateurs:

"Just remember:
Noah's Ark
was built by amateurs.
The Titanic was built by
professionals."

Submitted by Susan J. Ellis, President, Energize, Inc. www.energizeinc.com

Current Volunteer Opportunities for Individuals:

Activity Assistants Activity Leaders Arts and Crafts Leaders and Assistants Assistant Intake Coordinator Assistive Technology Team Members Bilingual Computer Assistant **Bowling Coaches and Assistant Ceramics Assistants** Cooking Instructors Drivers **Event Planner** Maintenance Staff **Program Coordinator Assistant** Read to the Blind and Visually Impaired Research Assistant **Shopping Trip Companions** Social Hostess or Host Support/Discussion Group Facilitators Volunteer Coordinator Water Aerobics Assistants "Project Eyeglass" Coordinator Warehouse helper

<u>Current Volunteer Opportunities</u> for Groups:

Computer Technology Mentor

Party and Event Sponsors
Donation Drive Staff
Fundraising Staff
Clean up and Maintenance Staff
Blind Center "Lunch Day" Sponsors

(Your organization prepares lunch once a month for members of the Blind Center of Nevada)



Just a Thought

"I am of the opinion that my life belongs to the whole community, and as long as I live it is my privilege to do for it whatever I can. I want to be thoroughly used up when I die, for the harder I work the more I live. I rejoice in life for its own sake. Life is no brief candle to me. It is a sort of splendid torch which I've got hold of for the moment and I want to make it burn as brightly as possible before handing it on to future generations."

-George Bernard Shaw

Volunteer Vision

The Blind Center provides a gathering place for blind and visually impaired individuals to meet and make new friends and the opportunity to interact with others who face similar challenges.

The Blind Center promotes a variety of activities, programs, and services structured to meet the specific challenges of the blind and visually impaired such as:

- Transportation
- Computer Classes
- Independent Living Skills Training
- Demonstration and Sales of Low Vision Aids
- Podiatric Care
- Educational Programs
- Arts and Crafts
- Ceramics
- Bowling
- Exercise Class
- Tai-Chi Class
- Music Programs and Lessons
- Day Trips (Shopping, Fishing, Picnics)
- Camping Trips
- Lunches and Socials
- Dinners and Dances
- Nutrition Class
- Job Training Center

And as always, we could use the help of dedicated people like you, to spread the word to families, friends, and co-workers about helping out at the Blind Center! There are a wide variety of opportunities available, something for everyone!