

People volunteer for a host of reasons. Many simply feel drawn to help those in need, while others are passionate about various issues and causes. Whatever the reason, DCI provides a wide variety of opportunities to get involved that match your interests and skills.

## WHY VOLUNTEER?

Volunteering your time and effort to a worthy cause can be a rewarding experience in many ways. Volunteering gives you the chance to:

- Meet people and make new friends
- Learn or develop skills
- Teach your skills to others
- Gain valuable work experience
- Network with people with similar interests
- Enhance your résumé
- Build self-esteem and self-confidence
- Feel that you're a valued member of a team
- Give something back to society
- Get personal satisfaction from making a real difference in someone's life
- You'll also receive a volunteer certificate of appreciation and, if desired, a recommendation that can be helpful for college admissions & future employment

## WHAT MAKES A SUCCESSFUL VOLUNTEER?

Successful DCI volunteers understand and believe in our mission of helping underprivileged children. Successful volunteers are flexible and friendly, and are willing to share their skills and learn new ones. Successful volunteers enjoy their work!

**DISTRESSED CHILDREN & INFANTS INTERNATIONAL** (DCI), Inc. is a US registered, charitable non-profit organization, founded in 2005, that is dedicated to assisting underprivileged children worldwide. The primary goal of DCI is to ensure basic human rights for all children by providing them with education, health care, proper nutrition, and shelter. We also promote sustainable community development and income generating programs.

**TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL, WE NEED THE SUPPORT OF COMPASSIONATE PEOPLE LIKE YOU! WE WOULD GREATLY APPRECIATE ANY HELP THAT YOU ARE ABLE TO GIVE.**

## WE CURRENTLY NEED

### Volunteers in the following areas:

- ❖ Administrative work
- ❖ Proofreading
- ❖ Accounting & Bookkeeping
- ❖ Website maintenance
- ❖ Event planning
- ❖ Fundraising
- ❖ Networking/Public relations
- ❖ Scouting new sponsor/donation sources
- ❖ Flyer/Pamphlet distribution
- ❖ Write and distribute quarterly newsletter
- ❖ Research potential grant sources
- ❖ Mail-related work
- ❖ Contact sponsors by telephone
- ❖ Start new DCI chapters

*Do all you can with what you have, in the time you have, in the place you are. -Nkosi Johnson-ZuluBoy*



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## VOLUNTEER INFORMATION

### WHO CAN VOLUNTEER?

We welcome youth (grades five and up) and adults who are willing to dedicate some time.



For more information visit our website:

[www.distressedchildren.org](http://www.distressedchildren.org)

Email: [dci@cox.net](mailto:dci@cox.net)

Tel. 203-376-6351, 203-272-3869

Or write to:

DCI

5 Shipton Court  
Cheshire, CT 06410, USA

# DCI Volunteer Application Form

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Age (only if under 18) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

Specify hours per week you can devote to the program. \_\_\_\_\_

## Background:

Level of education completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Interests/hobbies: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you have any previous volunteering experience? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, briefly describe with whom you worked, when, and what your responsibilities were.

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Please list any skills and abilities you have that you would like to contribute to our program. (e.g. office skills, communication skills, fundraising)

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**Resume:** If you feel that it would be helpful in terms of highlighting your relevant skills and experience, please attach a current resume to this form. (Optional).

**References:** Please provide two references (Please do not include family members):

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

**Brief Written Statement:** Briefly state why you would like to volunteer for our program. Describe what you hope to get out of volunteering, as well as what you hope to contribute to DCI. Please attach a separate sheet to the application (Optional).

I give permission to DCI to contact the references I have listed on this application form. Parental signature needed if under 18.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Signature .....

Date .....

Please complete this form and mail it to our DCI Office. You may also send by e-mail attachment.



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