



## Real Life Volunteer Description

### **PURPOSE**

Real Life volunteers work as peer mentors primarily for refugee and immigrant youth in the Salt Lake area. Volunteers provide academic tutoring and participate in hands-on, life-skills activities. Real Life's goal is to provide all participants with the necessary skills to make positive changes in their lives and communities. A typical day at Real Life will consist of one hour of homework help, one hour of an activity, and a snack and/or dinner break.

### **LOCATION**

Each volunteer is assigned to one of Real Life's partnering site locations. Click [here](#) for a list of Real Life sites.

### **KEY RESPONSIBILITIES**

- Arrive on time.
- Assist with homework and tutoring for Real Life participants.
- Be respectful, engaged, and supportive of all activities and staff.
- Be role models of attentiveness and involvement in the lesson and encouraging about the activity.
- Assist with clean up at the end of each session.
- Dress appropriately (school dress code guidelines apply).
- Refrain from using phones while volunteering.
- Refrain from befriending Real Life participants on social media accounts.
- Refrain from taking or posting pictures of Real Life participants on personal social media accounts.

### **REPORTS TO**

Volunteers report to the Real Life Intern assigned to oversee our partnering sites. Interns will be the volunteer's main point of contact. Interns receive training and oversight from the Program Directors. Click [here](#) for a list of Real Life Interns and their assigned sites.

### **DURATION**

The Real Life year begins in December and continues through May of the following year.

### **TIME COMMITMENT**

One day per week (M, T, W, or Th) for approximately two hours per day.

### **QUALIFICATIONS**

- ✓ Have a passion for tutoring and working with other youth
- ✓ Be enthusiastic, flexible, and willing to step out of your comfort zone
- ✓ Commit to volunteering 2 hours per week through the Real Life year (December-May)
- ✓ 16 years old or older, a Junior in high school, or college-aged
- ✓ Live in the Salt Lake area, or have access to reliable transportation
- ✓ Capable of passing a background check if 18+

### **TRAINING/SUPPORT**

Training for this position will be provided for all volunteers. In addition, the Program Directors are available to answer any questions.

### **BENEFITS**

Real Life provides a unique opportunity for volunteers to function as a mentor and role model to Real Life participants. Volunteers will learn leadership skills, teaching strategies, and lesson facilitation skills. It is our hope every volunteer will have the opportunity to create new friendships, learn from life experiences different than their own, and have a wonderful time!