

POSITION TITLE: Heela Volunteer with the Beginner Level 1 Course	
TYPE OF SERVICE: <b>Direct</b> or Indirect	PROGRAM: Economic Empowerment
CONNECTION TO MISSION: The Sewing Program provides skills-based training to women interested in learning to sew and support seeking employment in a sewing related field helping them work towards economic goals and self-sufficiency.	
LOCATION: Good Shepherd United Methodist Church (9155 Hungary Road) and at clients' homes (typically in the West End)	TIME COMMITMENT: Varies depending on volunteer's availability—minimum of 1-2 hours per week for 6 weeks, maximum 11 weeks.
<p>POSITION DESCRIPTION:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meet the program director at Good Shepherd before the first day of class to learn about the course structure and content and to pick up the kits of sewing materials and fabric that will be dropped off to client homes</li> <li>• Visit clients weekly in their homes to drop off kits of sewing material and fabric and check progress on completed projects. Please note that the first drop-off is of a sewing machine that weights approximately 12 lbs.</li> <li>• If the volunteer has sewing experience, provide guidance and feedback for sewing projects when client has questions. If no sewing experience, report questions to program director.</li> </ul> <p>RESPONSIBILITIES AND EXPECTATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Check in with program director weekly for a progress report on client(s) assigned to you.</li> <li>• Report your volunteer hours via the Volunteer Portal once a month</li> </ul>	
<p>REQUIREMENTS / QUALIFICATIONS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Willingness to work through potential language barriers</li> <li>• Willingness to follow COVID-19 safety protocols (wearing a mask when visiting client homes)</li> <li>• Ability to carry up to 12 lbs. and climb stairs</li> </ul> <p>PREFERRED SKILLS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sewing experience</li> <li>• Teaching experience</li> </ul>	



**IMPACT:**

- Clients will learn or refine their sewing knowledge and skills
- Help students achieve ownership of a practical skill
- Many of our program volunteers bond with clients through sewing and become friends outside of class
- Support of the ReEstablish Richmond staff throughout your volunteer experience

