

2014 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SIMPSON UMC – SIMPSON CENTER FOR SERVANT MINISTRIES

SIMPSON UMC—SIMPSON CENTER FOR FAMILIES NEED YOU!

Please contact Frances at **612.874-7741** or simpsoncsm@gmail.com, if you would like to volunteer for any of the following activities at Simpson UMC, located at 2740 First Avenue South, Minneapolis, MN 55408:

- **ADOPT-A-FAIR (for groups and individuals):** We need groups of 15-20 people to “adopt” one or more of our summer produce fairs for summer 2014. Volunteers help with: collecting fresh produce at the Minneapolis farmer’s market; dividing, bagging and distributing food; setting up and taking down tents, tables and chairs; helping to greet and sign-in guests (other languages helpful but not required); conducting fun activities with families; and helping with music (if there are musicians in the group).
- **ENGLISH TUTORS/TEACHERS:** We need volunteers to help coordinate and teach English as a Second language and conversation to adults.
- **MUSIC TEACHERS:** We need guitar and percussion teachers for children (ages 7 to 17) and adults to teach beginning guitar and percussion.
- **CONSTRUCTION/MAINTENANCE/FIX-UP/REMODELERS:** We need help to fix up our space where we hold activities, including help to: replace ceiling tiles, fix leaks, paint walls and furniture, install whiteboards and other things on the walls; replace window plastic, and other fix-up to make the space look nice and welcoming. If you would like to see the space let us know! Suggestions and furniture donations are welcome!
- **OFFICE/PROGRAM ASSISTANT:** We need help with filing, mass mailings, helping to plan and facilitate events, and other office duties. We also need help with programming, including scheduling students, developing and carrying out program evaluation, etc.
- **GRANT WRITING AND FUNDRAISING:** We need help to raise funds for the ministry.
- **CINCO DE MAYO:** Help plan for and staff Simpson booth (along with Park Avenue UMC) at annual Cinco de Mayo event on Lake Street in Minneapolis. We need people to help plan in advance and to participate the day of the event. *No Spanish required, just a desire to have fun and meet people!*
- **TRANSLATION:** From time to time we have need for oral and written translation services in English/Spanish at Simpson UMC and Park Avenue UMC.
- **COMMUNITY OUTREACH WORKER:** We need help making contact with neighbors, doing follow-up phone calls, home visits, resource matching, distributing resources, etc.
- **EVENTS:** We need people to help coordinate, promote and volunteer at community events such as our Toys for Tots Christmas distribution, La Posada, vigils, etc.
- **SECOND-HAND STORE:** We need volunteers to help solicit, collect, sort and hang clothing donations; and to staff the store.

2014 DONATIONS NEEDED FOR SIMPSON UMC – SIMPSONS CENTER FOR FAMILIES

Please contact Colleen at **612.222.1208** or **612.874-7741** or simpsoncsm@gmail.com, if you would like to donate any of the items listed below or if you have other items you think might help us. We need new or gently used (in good condition and working) items, including:

For our classes, activities and office space we need:

- 4 Energy efficient window air conditioners (immediate need for summer 2014)
- Acoustic guitars for children and adults (electro acoustic is OK too)
- Guitar stands
- Music stands
- Metronomes
- Tuners
- Picks
- Cables (for electro acoustic guitar)
- Amplifiers
- Electric keyboard and stand
- Percussion instruments (i.e. bongos, congas, shakers, maracas, tambourines, small percussion from other countries, etc.)
- Microphones
- Microphone stands
- 7, 8 or 10 passenger van(s) in good condition
- White boards, markers, and erasers
- Office supplies
- Educational supplies
- Sewing supplies (fabric, thread, needles, sewing tables, scissors, measuring tapes, etc.)
- Children's and adolescent-age books in English and Spanish
- Chairs to use in classrooms
- Tables and furniture in good shape (couches, chairs)
- Nice rugs for painted wooden floor
- Cleaning supplies
- Vacuum cleaner
- Bulletin board
- A/V equipment (projector, screen, DVD, TV, etc.) and rolling cart
- Paint, brushes, and other fix-up supplies
- New or used clothing and small household goods in good condition (please see website for a more comprehensive list)