



Ruth House
A member of Ascentria Care Alliance

Teen Mom Supporter

The Ruth House, Brockton, MA

Make a Difference in the Lives of Teen Mothers

Position Overview:

The Ruth House, a program of Ascentria Care Alliance, provides support services and residential care for low-income single mothers and their children in a safe therapeutic environment. We are looking for volunteer's age 50+ whose expertise and wisdom can help young mothers build vital skills and strengths. Mentor our teen mothers 1-3 hours/week for a minimum of 6 months (with the opportunity to renew). You have the option of connecting through one-on-one relationship building or by facilitating group learning activities.

One-on-one relationship building:

Develop a relationship based on face-to-face meetings, off-site experiences, and/or contact through phone calls, texting or emailing. Provide positive role modeling while building a non-judgmental and affirming relationship with a teen mom.

Group Learning Activities:

Conduct a weekly group based on your own strengths to teach a life skill or share a hobby. Topics could include: money management, job/career planning, or leisure time activities such as cooking or crafts.

Qualifications: Good communication and relationship skills are essential. Our 50+ mentors are enthusiastic, reliable and joyful. For group activities, experience with adolescents as a teacher, trainer, coach or social worker is preferred. Volunteers will provide their own transportation to the Ruth House.

Benefits to Volunteer:

Here is your opportunity to make a significant difference in the life of a young mother, and thereby, in the life of her child. We offer open communication and regular supervision for each volunteer. If questions or concerns come up during your volunteer commitment, we will work closely with you to address them.

Application process:

We begin with a face-to-face interview. We'll ask that you complete a Volunteer Application and provide references. Volunteers who have unsupervised contact with our mothers must complete and clear a routine background check. Training and orientation at the Ruth House will precede the volunteer commitment.

To apply for this exciting opportunity or to learn more, please contact Janet Waters, Manager, Intergenerational Workforce Project, by email (jwaters@ascentria.org) or by phone 617.678.2194 cell, 774.243.3909 office.