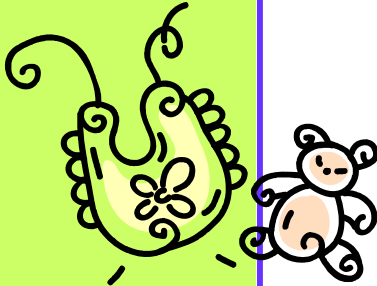


Volunteer Opportunities

The Volunteer Voice is a bi-monthly newsletter published for our dedicated volunteers who give so much. Your time spent volunteering makes a difference in the lives of people who have Down syndrome.

Please review the upcoming opportunities available and contact the Guild office at **913-384-4848** if you have any questions or want to sign up to volunteer! We hope to see you at an upcoming event.

Babysitters



Volunteers are needed to help with babysitting for our upcoming Sibling Seminar on **January 22 from 5:30-9:00pm** at the **Kauffman Foundation**, 4801 Rockhill Rd, Kansas City, MO 64110. DSG will provide the toys. Please dress comfortably, light snacks will be provided. If you're interested in volunteering for this event or have questions please contact the DSG Center at **913-384-4848**.

Se Hablas Espanol

The DSG is very excited to have an increased number of Spanish speaking families attending our events. **Spanish speaking volunteers** are needed to help interpret and make families feel comfortable at events.

If you are interested in interpreting for these upcoming and future events **contact the DSG Center** at **913-384-4848**.

Sibling Spotlight Seminar

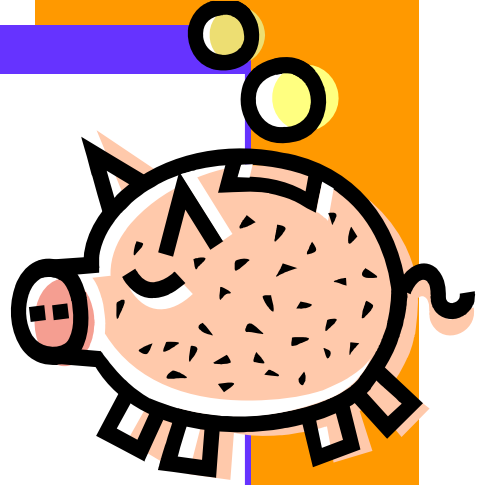
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2 Spanish interpreters are needed for this seminar focusing on sibling issues. A headset system will be utilized to provide the interpretation for families. Handout materials will be provided in advance so that you can familiarize yourself with the material to be covered. Business casual dress is required and light snacks will be provided.

Service Hours

DSG is always looking for volunteers to help with mailings, calls, and other **administrative tasks**. Some of these things can even be done from home. If this sounds like something you'd be interested in call the DSG Center at **913-384-4848** and we'd be happy to help you in completing your hours.





Employer Matching Programs

The DSG is very grateful to have such wonderful and committed volunteers that help with all of our events throughout the year. Countless hours are put in to support individuals with Down syndrome and their families. Did you know that the time you contribute to the DSG may be worth even more than the many thanks that flood our office for programs and services that you make possible?

Many employers offer volunteer matching programs that allow **volunteers to raise money through their hours of service**. Organizations like Sprint, Hallmark, Khol's and Old Navy donate charitable funds to organizations that their employees have volunteered with.

Contact your employer's HR department to find out if your employer offers such programs and how you can name the DSG as a beneficiary.



Dress Down for Down Syndrome

A great way to support the mission of the DSG is to host a Dress Down Day at your school or workplace. Participants donate funds for the right to "Dress Down" for the day. Proceeds from these fundraisers help to provide the many programs and services the DSG offers our members. For more information or to request Dress Down materials contact the DSG Center at 913-384-4848.

New Parent Gift Baskets

Each year the DSG welcomes approximately 50 new babies by providing their family with a new parent gift basket. The baskets contain information on Down syndrome, the DSG, and gifts for the new baby. DSG is always looking for items that can be put in the gift baskets such as, baby clothes, receiving blankets, stuffed animals, etc. All items must be new. Individuals, or organizations that would like to donate any of these items can contact the DSG office for more information.

Got a Great Party Idea?



The DSG is always looking for new fun activities for our members with Down syndrome of all ages, and groups to host them! If you have a fun idea for an activity contact the DSG and we will get it on the calendar, and advertise it to our members. This can be a fun project for a girl scout troop, students needing service hours, or anyone who likes planning parties!

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