Community Action Partnership of Ramsey & Washington Counties Volunteer Position Description

Title: EARLY HEAD START - SUMMER KIT - COLLECTION PROJECT

Reports To: Volunteer Specialist Type: Volunteer Position

Duration: Short-Term Collection Project



### **Position Summary:**

Keep kids cool! Community Action Partnership of Ramsey & Washington Counties serves nearly 250 Early Head Start children yearly. Our team of Home Visitors assist pregnant women and their families with youth from birth to age three with early education skills.

### **Benefits of Volunteering:**

Fantastic team-building activity for a group of any size or age. Knowledge that you are helping children thrive!

### **Essential Functions:**

## **Duties & Responsibilities:**

- An individual or group of volunteers will host a collection drive and/or purchase items that will be assembled by that individual/team into kits.
- For each collection/assembly effort a minimum of five kits is requested, more are welcome.
- Submit a timesheet to the Volunteer Specialist
- If a group, the leader must keep track of the number of volunteers assisting and total hours donated
- Home-made/hand-crafted knitted, crocheted or sewn items are acceptable

# Materials to Collect/Purchase: (all must be new for kids - birth to age 3)

- Children's Non-Deet Mosquito Deterrent
- Children's Sunscreen
- Summer Hat and/or Children's Sunglasses
- Water Bottle Reusable only
- Backpack or re-usable bag to place the items into (one per kit)

### Miscellaneous optional items: (all must be new or gently used and clean)

- Beach Towel and/or Swim Diapers
- Baby Safety Gate, Cabinet Lock, Door Knob Cover and/or Electrical Outlet Cover-plugs or safety items
- Baby Soap, Shampoo, Wash Cloth, Comb and/or Lotion
- Burp Cloth, Bib and/or Pacifier
- Children's Book/New Stuffed Animal
- Crib Sheet, Twin Mattress Sheet or Sets, Blanket
- Diapers, Wipes and/or Diaper Changing Mat (portable)
- Home Cleaning Supplies Laundry Detergent, Softener, and/or Basket (infant-safe)
- Infant or Toddler Clothing (pants, tops, socks, shoes, et al), Potty Training Undies and/or Underwear

Please DO NOT include any additional items or notes. Thank you!

## **Qualifications:**

#### **Time Commitment:**

Time depends upon how many kits that you wish to collect and assemble. This volunteer opportunity can be conducted entirely at your location and delivered to our St Paul office. We may have a room that you can reserve to assemble kits, if needed. If possible, deliver kits by May 15th for us to distribute before the end of the school-year. We will accept kits throughout the summer. Register *before* you begin collecting items and contact us *before* you drop them off.

Location: (drop off kits)

450 Syndicate St North, St Paul, MN 55104 (Office is located on the Green Line train route.)

## **REGISTRATION INFORMATION:**

Complete a Short-Term Registration Form at www.caprw.org/volunteer *and* email/scan it to volunteers@caprw.org Questions? Email volunteers@caprw.org or call 651-603-5979

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