

# VOLUNTEER TODAY! WE CAN'T DO OUR WORK WITHOUT YOU.

**Volunteers make it happen at AIDS Emergency Fund and Breast Cancer Emergency Fund.  
Donate your time and talent to AEF and BCEF and make a difference in the lives of thousands of people.**

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## Volunteers Help Clients

Our Client Services Manager can train you to assist clients with applying to AEF/BCEF for assistance, providing correct documentation, and receiving grants. No prior training in social work or customer services is necessary but we need a regular commitment of four hours per week during business hours at our offices.

## Volunteers Run Events

Throughout the year, AEF and BCEF plan fundraising events like our Annual Awards Gala. Lots of help is needed with things like décor, ticket taking, bartending, soliciting silent auction items, selling tickets, set-up and breakdown. Put your party-planning skills to work with AEF (and get in free to events, too!) We also regularly are asked by other organizations that are planning events on our behalf to help find volunteers. Events like the Academy of Friends Awards Gala, the Folsom Street Fair, and Macy's Passport, expect AIDS Emergency Fund to provide volunteers when we are a major beneficiary. Helping us meet these volunteer commitments at events is worth over \$100,000 per year to AEF/BCEF in grants from these groups.

## Volunteers Raise Money

Got a birthday coming up, or looking for way to have fun at your job? Volunteers can use any occasion to raise money for AEF/BCEF and enlist your friends in a great cause. Turn your birthday into an AEF or BCEF party. Just say "In lieu of gifts, make checks payable to AEF or BCEF." Or start a penny collection drive in your workplace, and give prizes for the most money raised. AEF staffers can give you materials to make these one-time events successful and fun.

## Volunteers Do Office Work

From data entry to website updating, there is no shortage of office projects waiting for volunteers. Just about any office or business skill can be put to good use helping AEF and our clients.

## Volunteers Collect Pennies

Since 1987, AIDS Emergency Fund has benefited from the generosity of hundreds of bars and stores who display "Every Penny Counts" Jars. Over 400,000,000 pennies have been collected. We need drivers to collect the pennies regularly and help count them for deposit. Once per year (usually near World AIDS Day in December), hundreds of schools around the Bay Area turn in their collected pennies in a huge Penny Collection Festival. We need volunteers to work with local schools and assist at the Penny Collection Festival.

## Volunteers March in the Parade

AIDS Emergency Fund usually has one of the largest and most colorful contingents in the San Francisco LGBT Freedom Day Parade in June. Lots of love and creativity go into building our float and we always need people to walk with our group and carry the Rainbow Flag. The crowd always loves AEF and they throw change into the flag. When was the last time anyone threw money at you? Come join us.

## Volunteers Stuff Envelopes

Okay, so it's not the most glamorous of volunteer jobs, but coming to our bulk mail parties and helping to mail our quarterly newsletters and direct mail appeals saves us over \$20,000 per year in additional postage and labor costs. Usually held one Saturday per month at our offices, Mailing Parties are a great way to meet new friends and get free pizza!

**Fill out the enclosed form, and fax or mail it to AEF. Or call the volunteer coordinator of AIDS Emergency Fund and Breast Cancer Emergency Fund at 415-558-6999 x 4.**

## Yes, I want to Help!

Name

Address

City, State, Zip Code

Day Telephone

Evening Telephone

Cell Phone

E-mail address

## I am interested in: (check all that apply)

- ☐ Client Services
- ☐ Fundraising Events
  - ☐ Bartending
  - ☐ Ticket selling
  - ☐ Silent Auction
  - ☐ Decorations
  - ☐ Setup/Breakdown
  - ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Pennies Project
- ☐ Pride Parade
- ☐ Street Fairs
- ☐ Mailing Parties
- ☐ Office/Admin

