



YMCA of Southwestern Ontario

About the YMCA of Southwestern Ontario

As a leading multi-service charity, the YMCA of Southwestern Ontario is invested in creating opportunities for all to grow in spirit, mind and body, regardless of background, belief or ability. Our volunteers contribute thousands of hours helping build strong kids, strong families and strong communities. We provide various services that offer unique volunteer opportunities that enhance the lives of our community members, as well as the lives of our volunteers.

Our Core Values

At the YMCA of Southwestern Ontario, we require our staff and volunteers to demonstrate the association's core values to colleagues, members and participants.

- **Honesty:** to tell the truth, to act in such a way that you are worthy of trust, to have integrity, making sure your actions match your words
- **Caring:** to accept others, to be sensitive to the well-being of others, to help others
- **Respect:** to treat others as you would have them treat you, to value the worth of every person, including yourself
- **Responsibility:** to do what is right, what you ought to do, to be accountable for your behaviour and obligations
- **Inclusiveness:** we create a place for everyone at the Y

Benefits of Volunteering at the YMCA of Southwestern Ontario

At the YMCA of Southwestern Ontario, we are committed to providing volunteers with clear roles, responsibilities and expectations while maintaining ongoing feedback. We provide meaningful experiences that match our volunteer's skills and interests. We embrace the diversity of our volunteers and provide accommodations when necessary. At the Y, we celebrate our volunteers both formally and informally while sharing their stories.

Be an Active Community Member, Develop New Skills, Enhance Personal Well-Being, Build New Positive Relationships and gain a Sense of Achievement.



Child Minding Volunteer

Program Description: Assist Child and Youth staff while building relationships with members, staff, volunteers and participants. Demonstrate knowledge of the YMCA mission, core values, and act as a positive role model. Help maintain fun and safe Child Minding Programming.

Duties

- Supervision of children ages 3 months – 12 years
- Assist with program preparation, clean up and transitions
- Oversee and ensure proper procedures of sign in/out of children from program
- Address behaviours that are inconsistent with core values
- Maintain regular communication with Manager/Supervisor of Child and Youth
- Assist staff in delivering fun, safe and inclusive programming
- Complete all online trainings, program training and Volunteer WHY School
- Be an Ambassador for the YMCA

Qualifications

- Minimum age 14
- Original Criminal Reference Check with a Vulnerable Sector Screening less than 6 months old for volunteers 18 years or older
- First Aid and CPR an asset
- Fun, friendly and enthusiastic
- Positive role model
- Hardworking, dependable and a team player
- Genuinely interested in being a part of the YMCA

Locations

St. Thomas-Elgin YMCA
20 High Street, St. Thomas, ON

Time Commitments

- Minimum commitment of 4 months
- Minimum of 2 hours/week

How to Apply

1. Download and complete application from our website ymcaswo.ca/volunteer
2. Email application with 3 references and resume to volunteer@sw.ymca.ca
3. Indicate location and volunteer position applying for in email subject

The YMCA of Southwestern Ontario is committed to providing a barrier-free environment for all stakeholders including our members/participants, employees, job applicants, suppliers, and any visitors who may enter our premises, access our information, or use our services. As an organization, we respect and uphold the requirements set forth under the Accessibility for Ontarians with Disabilities Act (2005), and its associated standards and regulations.

We thank all interested applicants however only those selected for an interview will be contacted.