

# **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

(Updated: 9/20/23)

**Position Title:** Work Party Volunteer

**Agency Name:** Low Income Housing Institute

**Agency Description:** The Low Income Housing Institute develops, owns and operates housing for the benefit of low-income, homeless and formerly homeless people in Washington state; advocates for just housing policies at the local and national levels; and administers a range of supportive service programs to assist those we serve in maintaining stable housing and increasing their self-sufficiency. In 2015, LIHI started building Tiny House Villages as a response to the homelessness crisis and as a replacement for tents. Tiny houses offer tremendous benefits over tents – they are safe, weatherproof and lockable – and the Tiny House Villages allow residents to reclaim their dignity and get on a path to permanent housing, employment and connection to supportive services.

**Position Description:** Work party volunteers work year-round alongside our Tiny House Village Construction Team and Volunteer Program to develop new Tiny House Villages and maintain existing ones. Volunteers may participate in a variety of tasks like tiny house construction, painting and caulking, landscaping and beautification projects, donation center upkeep, and organization. Work parties may occur up to three times a week; volunteers can sign up for as many or as little as they would like and there is no long term commitment.

**Logistics:** Lunch will be provided for full-day work party volunteers. Work parties will occur at LIHI's South Downtown warehouse or at villages across the greater Seattle area. Most villages can be reached using public transportation. Our warehouse is not conveniently accessed by public transportation; having personal transportation/carpooling may be needed. Masks are not required; work parties are mostly outside, lowering the risk of COVID-19 transmission.

**Qualifications:**

COVID-19 vaccination preferred

Carpentry experience valued, but not required

**Total number of weekly hours:** 6 or more hours

**Days/Hours:** Typically Wed-Fri, 9am-3pm

**Number of openings:** 5-10 volunteers every work party

**Start Date:** 10/16/2023

**Address:** Address will be communicated prior to each work party

**City, State, Zip:** Seattle, Tukwila, Tacoma, Olympia

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**Application Instructions:** [Click here](#) to start receiving volunteer communications; for specific dates and locations, please check our [calendar of events](#); to schedule a Volunteer Work Party at any time for any group please fill out [this form](#)