



Title: Post-Secondary Success Program (PSSP) Homework Help Volunteer Tutor (Remote)

When: HW Help is held ONLINE on Tuesdays and Thursdays between 1pm – 6pm, starting October 13th

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Positions Available: 3

Refugee Women’s Alliance (ReWA) is a non-profit, multi-ethnic organization that promotes inclusion, independence, personal leadership, and strong communities by providing refugee and immigrant women and their families with culturally and linguistically appropriate services. ReWA advocates for social justice, public policy changes, and equal access to services while respecting cultural values and the right to self-determination.

Position Description:

PSSP volunteer tutors provide academic support for youth between the ages of 16-24. Their main role is to aid youth in understanding their assignments to a level where they can later complete assignments on their own if completion is not met during a homework help session. Volunteers typically work with small groups of 1-3 students on a given homework assignment/topic.

Most PSSP participants who utilize ReWA’s Homework Help are 1st/2nd year college students, with the occasional high school student. The subjects covered in each session are determined by the youth and can be, but not limited to:

- High School Math (Algebra, Calculus, Statistics)
- College level math (Calculus, Statistics)
- Biology
- Chemistry
- English 101/102 (Entry College writing course).

Commitment

Homework Help is on Zoom on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 1pm – 6pm, starting October 13th.

- Minimum requirement of 1.5 hours per week.
- Volunteers have the option to choose when and how long to volunteer. If desired, they can do 3 hours one day. They can even do 1.5 hours one day and 3 another for a total of 4.5hrs if they want! All we ask is that they commit a *MINIMUM* of 1.5 hours *one* of these days.
- 3-6 month time commitment (or longer)

Possible Volunteer Tasks:

- Help youth brainstorm topics and structure for academic essay.

- Edit youth's essays for grammar, context, or structure (typically for college youth).
- Help explain math problems and how to solve them using youth notes and online resources.
- Assist youth draft emails to professors regarding extensions, or clarification of assignments (typically for college youth).
- Notify PSSP coaches of schedule changes via email at least 24 hours prior to a session.
- Assist PSSP staff set up snacks, water and sign-in sheet at the beginning of each session.

Mandatory Skills and Requirements

- High degree of patience, understanding and flexibility
- Commitment to respect learners' rights to confidentiality
- Confidence and ability to support students with math, science, and/or writing
- Completion of some college-level courses
- Cultural competency & experience working with people from cultures different from your own
- Strong commitment to racial equity
- Prior teaching experience (preferred but not required)

*Preference for volunteers who can speak Oromo, Amharic, Tigrinya, Arabic, Somali, Spanish, and Farsi.

Other Possible Tasks: (Not during COVID restrictions)

Throughout the year, PSSP organizes 2-3 community events to celebrate youth success. Volunteer tutors are not required to assist with these events and are always invited to participate as guest. Event assistance is voluntary, should one choose to volunteer they can expect to:

- Help with set-up/clean up
- Manage sign-in (if an event requires sign-in).
- Help with excess food by taking some home for themselves. 😊

PLEASE NOTE: ReWA is NOT offering in-person HW Help during COVID-19 closures. All HW Help sessions have been moved online. Please read the HW Help Online Policy for information on the online procedure and Volunteer expectation.

To apply, complete the [application](#) on our webpage www.rewa.org/volunteer

Please send any questions regarding PSSP volunteering to Alicia@ReWA.org and volunteers@rewa.org.