



Deep Griha Society

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DISHA Volunteer

Working with and supporting the Project Manager of the DISHA project (Deep Griha's Integrated Service for HIV & AIDS).

Deep Griha Society (DGS), a locally-based grassroots Indian NGO, is looking for enthusiastic and committed volunteers to join its team. The organization's program of activity is focused on empowering the urban slum and rural communities of Pune. DGS is looking for experienced individuals to get involved in a number of different areas. This really is a fantastic opportunity for someone looking to shift their career to work for not-for-profits or fundraising, and gain valuable experience at the heart of a local, Indian run charity.

Project Background

DISHA (Deep Griha's Integrated Service for HIV & AIDS) is an HIV prevention, treatment, care and support programme, working not only within our regular target communities but also with the wider public in Pune.

Since DISHA started in January 2005, the project has grown rapidly to offer a wide range of services:

- Nutrition programme for clients (two healthy meals a day, six days a week)
- Drop-in centre with recreation facilities
- Counselling services
- Home based care and support
- Treatment of opportunistic infections
- Referral services (e.g. to Sahara Aalhad Centre for Residential Care and Rehabilitation)
- Weekly outpatient clinics (courtesy of Dr Madhu)
- Shelter home at Vishrantwadi
- Income generation programme (helping clients to achieve financial security)
- Voluntary testing and counselling services

Regular DISHA gatherings feature dance and music, giving an opportunity for PLHIV and their families to relax, have fun, and showcase their talents. DISHA's emphasis on '**Positive Living**' is one of the most distinctive aspects of the project.

DISHA has centres in Tadiwala Road and Ramtekadi, and also performs outreach using the DMAV (DISHA Mobile Awareness Vehicle). The DMAV delivers the DISHA team to the urban and rural communities who otherwise have notoriously poor access to education and health awareness in general.

Job Description

- Researching and writing reports for the DISHA Project Manager on topics related to DISHA's work.
- Working closely with the team to come up with new content for HIV and AIDS awareness
- Assisting the team leader in documentation of all activities of DISHA
- Organising and finding appropriate resource people for positive living sessions.



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- Designing appropriate content – posters, web banners, leaflets, street plays for raising awareness
 - Conducting regular internet research on current stories pertaining to HIV & AIDS, both domestically and globally
 - Entering data from monthly questionnaires relating to the nutrition program

Minimum requirements and competencies

- Educated to a degree level
- Ideally 2 years work experience or a high level of research experience within an educational setting (Experience of working on relevant research project would be ideal)
- Working knowledge of computer systems (Excel & web content management would be a distinct advantage)
- Confidence communicator with excellent written and presentation skills (fluency in English is essential)
- Self motivated, proactive and results-driven with a high level of initiative

Deep Griha is looking for a minimum commitment of 8 weeks from volunteers however 4 months or more would be ideal. DGS provides accommodation at a dedicated volunteer house for Rs.350 per night, inclusive of meals and transport.

If you think this is something you would like to get involved in, please fill in our online application and submit an up-to-date CV by email to dgsvolunteercoordinator@gmail.com

For more information about the charity itself, please go to the website www.deepgriha.org

