

Service Opportunity Data Sheet

Mennonite Voluntary Service

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This form may be submitted by e-mail or through regular mail. MVS staff may edit position descriptions. Please be as thorough as possible in describing the agency, the position responsibilities and the qualifications. The descriptions are not limited to the space below, use extra pages, etc. Notice a detailed description of the agency is required and you must include an agency contact, address and telephone number.

Unit: Elkhart, Indiana

Date: October 24, 2006

Position Title: Volunteer Coordinator

Organization/Agency Name: Wheelchair Help

Agency Contact:

(Name) Joe Lidy

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Elkhart, Indiana 45516

(Address & telephone & email)

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1. Description of the organization and its work (include some history of the agency and the population or type of people they serve):

The mission of Wheelchair Help Inc. is to assist disabled individuals by providing wheelchairs, power chairs, scooters and other mobility equipment that are not covered by Medicare, Medicaid or insurance. They are concerned about the client's quality of life through a support network and sharing God's love. Wheelchair Help primarily focuses on an area in a 30-50 mile radius of Elkhart. Wheelchair Help is a nonprofit, govern by a volunteer board of directors.

Organizational programs include:

- Consulting and working with clients needing wheelchairs, power chairs, scooters and other equipment to improve quality of life.
- Support Network: Listening and guiding clients to community resources. Resources include spiritual resources such as Joni and Friends Family Retreats.
- Restoration of Wheelchairs, power chairs, scooters and other mobility equipment: Together with other volunteers restore donated equipment for clients.
- Project Ramp: Prefabrication of ramps for houses, business and other organizations that can be installed with the assistance of the families and organizations.
- Donations and delivery: Picking up donated equipment in the region and then delivering the equipment to clients.

2. Detailed position description (include whether position is full time or half time):

The position will assist with all areas of the organizational life. Position may be full-time or part-time depending on the volunteer.

- 3. **Qualifications:**
Persons with disability are encouraged to apply. Anyone passionately committed to assisting people with disabilities. Strong organizational skills and the ability to work with other volunteers are helpful.
- 4. **Worker's Compensation? Yes**
- 5. **Comments:**

Approved by Local Leadership _____ Date October 24, 2006

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