

Description of a Super HEROes mentor

A mentor is an individual who wants to have a positive impact on a child's life. He or she is a trusted person, who is caring and provides positive solutions and support. As a mentor, you will have the opportunity to provide access to people, places, and things outside the mentee's daily routine and environment.

Mentor qualities

- Caring
- Active listener
- Flexible, open, and approachable
- Dependable and enthusiastic
- Nonjudgmental attitude
- Committed
- Resourceful and able to support mentees as they strive toward their educational or career goals

Responsibilities of a Super HERO Mentor

- Attend mentor orientation and a three hours pre-match training session.
- Make a commitment of a minimum of 24 months to mentoring a child infected with and/or affected by HIV and AIDS.
- Meet in-person with mentee for four (4) hours per month – twice a month, 2 hours each time. Additional contact each month by phone or e-mail is also allowed, as needed.
- Participate in quarterly service or group mentoring activities.
- Communicate routinely with mentor coordinator(s).
- Participate in all ongoing training sessions.
- Attend program ceremonies, including a mentor appreciation luncheons.
- Provide all needed data for program evaluation.

Mentor Eligibility Requirements

- Must be over 22 years of age.
- Must complete an application.
- Be willing and available to comply with the H.E.R.O. for Children Volunteer Program requirements.
- Have dependable automobile transportation, maintain a valid driver's license, verifiable automobile insurance and abide by Georgia vehicle codes (i.e. seat belts, speed limits, etc.).
- Must have a suitable home environment.
- Attend a face-to-face interview session and pre-match training session.
- Pass a criminal background check prior to serving and satisfactory personal reference checks.

Time commitment

Volunteers will be matched with a youth for a minimum of 24 months.

Benefits

- Guide mentee towards achieving their life, education and career goals, while gaining a new friend.
- Experience the fulfillment of watching a Super HEROes mentee grow, develop skill, and gain confidence.
- Enhance growth by modeling good values and judgment.
- Become a part of the network of change agents.
- Learn more about your community and its diversity and its future.