



Volunteer Opportunities

Kids In Danger was founded in 1998 when 16 month-old Danny Keysar was killed in a recalled portable crib in his childcare facility. His parents founded Kids In Danger so that no more children would be hurt or killed by dangerous, recalled products. Fifteen years after our founding, substantive improvements to children's product safety oversight are on the horizon. Volunteer with KID and be on the frontlines in working to strengthen the children's product safety system and in getting lifesaving product safety information to the public.

Administrative volunteer

Help KID in a variety of ways by working as an administrative volunteer. Regular tasks would include: data entry, creating and maintaining a filing system, copying and scanning, assisting with large mailings, processing donations and sending thank you cards to donors, and help processing and paying bills each month. This is a great opportunity for someone who is looking to gain administrative experience within an office setting.

Advocacy volunteer

Work with the KID action team to advocate for legislation that improves children's product safety oversight on local, state or national levels. Tasks might include: tracking legislation, working with legislators, building coalitions, writing action alerts, etc. Prerequisites include excellent written and communication skills. Interest in and familiarity with the legislative process is a must.

Development volunteer

The volunteer will work with the Director of Development to assist with general development efforts which may include: helping with upcoming fundraising events; inputting donations into fundraising database, generating and sending donor acknowledgements, logging donor appreciation efforts and tracking and evaluating fundraising efforts; prospect researching for individual, foundation, and corporate donors; grant application writing and tracking; and helping KID keep up to date on best fundraising practices, including use of social media for fundraising. This is an excellent opportunity for a highly organized and motivated individual to develop skills in nonprofit development work and ultimately learn about children's product safety.

Event representative volunteer

Help us spread the word! Provide lifesaving information to parents on how to protect children from dangerous recalled products at a wide variety of events such as safety fairs, child care fairs, Combined Federal Campaign/workplace giving events, and school or community events. This includes talking to the public about KID, providing basic safety information and handing out organizational materials. It's a great opportunity to spread the word in the community about how to protect children from recalled products. Communication skills, ability to travel around one's surrounding area and enthusiasm are a must. (*Note: KID will provide training so the event representative has basic knowledge of the KID organization and relevant safety information*).

Finance volunteer

KID is a small organization and our finances are very simple and managed in Quickbooks. We have an external accountant who prepares our audit and tax returns. At this point, we have identified the need for more structure to our financial record keeping, budgeting, and analysis of spending. We are looking for volunteers with financial planning/budgeting, or accounting skills to help with current record keeping, bill payment, payroll and other financial activities and suggest improvements. We are also looking for help developing a stronger budgeting program and forecasting for use in planning, grant writing, and development activities and overall financial oversight as needed.



Fundraising volunteer

This is a great way to get involved if you have a limited ability to travel, need flexibility, or would like to work primarily in your immediate community. KID depends on individual donations for much of our educational programming. If you want to help in a BIG way, volunteer on KID's fundraising committee to plan and implement our organizational fundraising initiatives. Fundraising volunteers have participated in walks, marathons, or had proceeds from a lemonade stand or yard sale donated to KID.

IT volunteer

KID is always in need of volunteers with advanced computer skills to assist with IT issues including maintaining office network, the addition of a server, and general troubleshooting, maintenance, and updates. Additional experience with website design and management and or database management would be ideal.

Program assistant volunteer

This volunteer opportunity would allow the volunteer to work with the Program Director on developing and implementing education and outreach programs for KID. The program assistant will help in our efforts to target networks of health care professionals, childcare providers and parents, and publications that target those populations. The volunteer should be comfortable conducting internet research and should be very organized and should have great communication skills. This position allows for a certain amount of creativity in finding new ways and places for our lifesaving information to reach the public.

Public relations volunteer

KID works to educate the public about dangerous, recalled products. We are actively working on expanding the reach and scope of our product safety message. We are looking for volunteers to work with KID staff to implement our public relations plan. Previous experience in public relations and excellent communication skills are highly desired.

Spanish language outreach volunteer

A big part of KID's mission is to reach a diverse public with lifesaving information about dangerous products. We are seeking Spanish speakers to help in all areas of our outreach efforts. Translating our safety materials, attending events on behalf of KID in Spanish speaking communities, or even conducting workshop presentations in Spanish! Help reach EVERYONE with KID's lifesaving product safety message.

Special events volunteer

Each year, KID holds our annual event ***The Best Friend Award Night***. This is our sole gala and generates much needed funding for KID throughout the year. We are always looking for event committee volunteers including those with event planning, public relations and additional skills. Tasks will include soliciting chef's participation and auction packages, help secure in kind event services from photographers, music, flowers, and printing, assist in the designing of event material including invitations, program book and signage and help develop a promotional strategy for the event.

Volunteering at KID is flexible and fun. Opportunities are available to work in or out of the office- or both! If any of the above opportunities interest you or if you are interested in other ways to get involved, please contact Laura at Laura@KidsInDanger.org or call 312-595-0649.