# Zebra

## Empower • Connect • Care •

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

**About Zebra Crossings:** We offer empowerment programs for youth and teens with chronic medical conditions. Whether it is a week-long camp or weekend activities, care is always provided by trained medical staff. We aim to lessen the burden of chronic medical conditions by connecting kids through play and giving respite for caregivers. Zebra Crossings is a fun, safe place where kids just get to be kids.

We believe participants will leave our programs with:

- Greater self-confidence and sense of independence
- Inspiration to live life to the fullest
- Desire to seek opportunities and to achieve goals
- Awareness to take responsibility for their health
- New friendships and a lasting support community



**Program Volunteers:** (multiple positions available at various times throughout the year)

### **Requirements:**

- Minimum of 18 years of age or older
- Previous experience working with youth. Positive and energetic.
- Willing to try all camp activities. Comfortable being outdoors.
- Attend one-day training

### **Responsibilities:**

- Embody our core values of Play, Achievement, Wellness, Independence, and Community
- Provide support to staff and campers
- Notify staff of observed needs to have program modified
- Assist with reflections at the end of each day
- Participate and be a source of positive energy
- Be a Designated Observer during swim time
- Engage campers by swimming with them
- Accompany campers when they depart from the main group (eg. Bathroom trips, search for lost items, or stragglers)
- Create a positive and safe environment; assist in managing morale, behavior, and conflicts
- Monitor health needs of the participants and seek medical support as needed
- Know the safety rules and assist staff with ensuring that participants are following them
- Assist staff in the management of emergency situations according to protocol
- Ask for help, either from other volunteers or Zebra Crossings staff, when needed
- Report any physical, emotional, behavioral concerns pertaining to any participants or staff, to a senior staff member or Program Coordinator
- PLAY and have FUN!

For more information email info@zebra-crossings.org or call (603) 312-2052