

Dear Volunteer,

Thank you for your interest in volunteering your time to work with survivors of domestic violence.

Empowerhouse is an Accredited Domestic Violence Agency. As a part of our Accreditation guidelines volunteers must attend a 40 hour training in order to work directly with Empowerhouse clients. We offer training for staff and volunteers 3 times per year: January/February; May/June; and September/October. The training is spread over a period of three weeks. The hours of the training are 6pm to 9pm Monday through Thursday. The classes are generally held at our outreach office- 150 Olde Greenwich Drive, Suite 101, Fredericksburg, VA 22408.

Attached you will find the volunteer application w/volunteer guidelines & confidentiality commitment, reference forms, & criminal background information sheet. You are required to provide us with 2 references. **You will need to have your references complete the forms prior to submission to us.** They can return them to you to give to us or they can mail or email them directly to me. Once your application, 2 reference forms, and criminal background information are received I will add your name to the list of persons interested in attending training and notify you of the exact dates once they have been determined.

Empowerhouse could not provide the amount of services we provide without the assistance of volunteers. We appreciate your desire to volunteer and are grateful you have chosen Empowerhouse clients as the recipient of the gift of your time.

Additionally we know you will not regret this investment of your time. The information gained as a result of this training will enable you to help, not only our clients, but your family, your friends, and the community.

Respectfully,  
*Tammy*  
Tammy Torres  
Assistant Director

