

**REGENT FAMILY RESIDENCE – READING MENTOR****Regent Family Residence:**

Regent Family Residence is a transitional residence for 140 families, providing 24-hour security, on-site childcare, classrooms, and recreational space. A full range of supportive services provides the help families need to achieve independence and obtain permanent housing.

**Volunteer Position:** Reading Mentor

**Contact:** Debbie McKune, (212) 865-7000 ext.267

**Purpose of Job:** To share your joy of reading and encourage a child to read who is affected by homelessness.

**Commitment Required:** 2 hours a week – Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday.

**Duties May Include But Are Not Limited To:**

- Meet weekly with your designated child and read together.
- Provide a positive reading role model for you child.
- Encourage your child to on his/her own.
- Present your child with a certificate of accomplishment when a book is finished.

**Qualifications Needed:**

- Must be organized and able to give and receive instructions.
- Must be 17 years or older.
- Must be reliable, responsible and able to maintain appropriate boundaries.
- Must enjoy working with children and young adults.

**Training/Orientation Provided:**

Required, and includes a program tour, introduction to Volunteers of America and reading mentor instruction.

**Location of Job:** Regent Family Residence, 2720 Broadway (NW corner of 104<sup>th</sup> St.)

**Volunteer Benefits:**

- Opportunity to share your love of reading with and inspire confidence in children affected by homelessness.
- The opportunity to positively influence the life of a child.
- Invitation to volunteer appreciation events.
- A subscription to *Everyday Miracles*, Volunteers of America's bi-annual newsletter.