**Why Volunteer at Tejano Center?**

Tejano Center has a long-standing presence and has made significant contributions to the community for over 30 years. By volunteering, you become part of that legacy and have the opportunity to make a lasting impact on the lives of individuals and families across the Greater Houston area. Your efforts can contribute to the continued success and growth of the organization in serving its mission to develop education, social, health, and community institutions that empower families to transform their lives.

**Volunteer Opportunities**

**School Market Food Distribution –** Bi-monthly, September – May

sponsored by Houston Food Bank

* Set-up and take-down food distribution staging area
* Prepare/bag food for distribution
* Direct traffic
* Distribute and collect information form
* Distribute food/place in vehicle drive-thru

**Child Placing Agency**

* Provide care for children at parent meetings, during holiday celebrations
	+ Easter
	+ Mother’s Day
	+ Father’s Day
	+ Christmas
* Help with arranging gift baskets
* Gift wrapping

**RISE/Nueva Vista Senior Living Resident Wellness Calls**

* Wellness calls to Nueva Vida Senior Living residents
* Facilitate engaging activities for seniors
* Chaperone seniors on field trips

**La Tiendita –** food pantry

* Provide support on food delivery days (Monday and Friday – 9am-12pm)
	+ Help unload shipment
	+ Stock shelves, as well as vegetable and fruit bins
* Food Nutrition Classes – Tuesday and Thursday (9am-12pm)
	+ Help facilitate class
	+ Assist with registration and welcoming participants
* Assist with cooking demos
* Chaperone grocery store visits

**Housing Services**

* Canvass specific zip codes to identify homes eligible for seasonal programs
* Assist with data input

**Voter engagement**

* Participate in Get out the Vote (GOTV) initiatives supporting annual “Raise the Vote” campaign.

**GRADcafé**

* Answer phones and greet clients (front desk)
* Conduct outreach at community tabling events
* Input data (training provided)

**NOVA Adult Education**

* Welcome and sign-in evening adult education class students at front desk
	+ 2 hours – 2 nights per week
* Data input
* Follow-up calls
* Call out to students missing class

**Raul Yzaguirre Schools for Success**

* Best Christmas Ever (Saturday in December)
	+ Gift wrapping
	+ Game/activities for children on day of event
* Tutoring Saturdays during school year – various campuses (8am-12pm)

Volunteering is a fulfilling and rewarding experience. Being able to witness the positive changes you help create in the lives of others can bring immense joy and satisfaction. It provides a sense of purpose, knowing that you are actively working towards improving the well-being of individuals and the community.

**Complete your volunteer application at** [***www.tejanocenter.org***](http://www.tejanocenter.org)(coming soon).

To learn more about volunteer opportunities or sponsorships contact Ramiro Fonseca, Director of Outreach and Engagement at ramiro.fonseca@tejanocenter.org or call 713-640-3796.