



BECOME A VOLUNTEER

JOIN URBAN WARRIORS

A Youth Safety Violence Prevention Program

Many Chicago youth are growing up in some of the most vulnerable communities impacted by adversity in the form of gun violence, household violence, poverty, bullying, abuse and loss. In 2014, Chicago saw roughly 433 murders and 2,589 shootings.

In response, the YMCA Youth Safety & Violence Prevention launched Urban Warriors, a dynamic peer support group that brings together recent military veterans and youth with high levels of exposure to violence. Over the course of 16 weeks, veterans and youth will participate in trust-building activities, share and reflect on their life experiences, and talk through ways to cope. Veterans and youth complete the program with a strong sense of bravery and resiliency.

Urban Warriors is now seeking **VOLUNTEER MENTORS** who are...

- Post-9/11 Veterans (Male and Females)
- Committed to participating in 16 Saturday Program sessions; 3.5 hours per week of program (minimum 75% attendance rate)
- Available for 1 hour per week of preparation via conference call
- 2—5 hour trainings example: understanding the effects of trauma and youth development
- Hoping to work alongside youth to make a positive impact in their lives
- Excited to give back to the community:

1. South Chicago YMCA: 3039 East 91st Street, Chicago, IL 60617

2. Southside Woodlawn YMCA: 6330 South Stony Island Ave, Chicago, IL 60637

3. Humboldt Park McCormick YMCA: 1834 Lawndale Ave, Chicago, IL 6064

4. Pilsen/Little Village Rauner YMCA: 2700 S Western Ave, Chicago, IL 60608

***IF YOU ARE THE RIGHT PERSON OR FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:
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