Volunteer Opportunities at Children’s:

Our Greatest Need:

• Weekday Greeter-Guide’s: Minneapolis and St. Paul

Weekday Opportunities

• Child Life Playrooms and Child Life Zone: Minneapolis and St. Paul
  Assist child life staff with playroom events and activities serving patients and siblings

• Clinic Playmasters: Minneapolis
  Oversee clinic playroom/waiting areas by entertaining patients & siblings. Provide appropriate developmental play through board games, activities, imagination, arts and crafts, reading and other play methodologies

• Developmental Rehabilitation: Therapy Assistant, Minneapolis, St. Paul, Minnetonka, Roseville, Woodbury, Maple Grove
  Assist rehabilitation (Occupational, Physical & Speech Therapists) with maintaining the treatment areas, helping gather and put away therapy materials, clerical tasks and errands. Also offers opportunity to work alongside therapist during treatment sessions. (You must be a pre-PT/OT/SLP student)

• Greeter-Guide Volunteer: Minneapolis and St. Paul
  Provide a warm welcome by greeting, escorting and directing visitors throughout the hospital, making deliveries, and assisting with customer service needs as able
• **Patient Pal-FLOAT volunteer**: Minneapolis and St. Paul

  Provide a supportive and developmentally appropriate environment for patients and siblings, from newborn babies to adolescents, through play! Rock and hold infants, play video or board games, go for a stroller ride; offer a diversion from the hospital stay by allowing kids to simply play & be kids.

• **Words on Wheels-Wagoneer**: Minneapolis and St. Paul

  Distribute books to patients on the inpatient units via our library wagon. Pick-up and drop-off books to be cleaned/sorted, and assist with other library tasks.

• **Clerical Support Volunteer**: Minneapolis and St. Paul

  Assist a wide variety of departments with behind the scenes organizational and administrative support. Duties include filing, creating packets, etc. and areas include strategic planning, homecare, research, neurosurgery, and others.

• **PAWH-Pet Therapy Volunteer**: Minneapolis, St. Paul, Roseville, Woodbury, Maple Grove, and Minnetonka

  A PAWH team consists of a Pet Partners registered animal and handler. Our volunteer teams visit the patients at the bedside, along with certain areas of the hospital including the short stay unit, the hematology/oncology clinic, and the radiology waiting room to name a few. *For further information on our PAWH program, visit the PAWH program header on our main page.

• **Sibling Play Area**: Minneapolis
Engage and offer special attention to the sibling of our patients with activities including painting, drawing, reading, indoor/outdoor games and general play

- **Star Studio Assistant**: Minneapolis

  Assist with our live, in-house TV show that is broadcast throughout the hospital! Advertise the show of the day by handing out flyers to patients, reminding them how and when to watch! Assist behind the scenes while the show is live, and help pick and deliver prizes to patients after the show.

- **Perioperative Escort**: Minneapolis and St. Paul

  Assist staff with errands, support clear communication between families and staff and ensure families receive support they need from staff. Help with sibling care while parents tend to patient. Escort parents from the induction room, to the Surgery Family Waiting Room, assisting with needs as able.

- **Surgery Family Waiting Room**: Minneapolis

  Help ease anxious waiting time for parents and caregivers while child is in surgery. Let families know you are there to assist by greeting them as they enter the waiting room, offering coffee and beverages, assisting with directions to cafeteria, etc. as needed. Serve as the liaison between the surgery staff and families, offering communication and updates as they come in, bringing families to consultation rooms, etc.

**Evening opportunities**

- **Emergency Department**: Minneapolis and St. Paul

  Assist ED staff by helping with upkeep of toys, stocking supplies, running errands and providing activities for patients and siblings

- **Patient Pal-Float Volunteer**: Minneapolis and St. Paul

- **Sibling Play Area**: Minneapolis

**Weekend Opportunities**
• **Patient Pal-Float Volunteer**: Minneapolis and St. Paul

• **Child Life Zone**: St Paul

  Assist Child Life staff in playroom events and activities with patients and siblings

• **Sibling Play Area**: Minneapolis