About Manavi’s Volunteer Program…

Manavi is a New Jersey based, non-profit organization for South Asian women, working on issues of violence against women. We provide services to women who have experienced violence in their lives as well as work in the community in an effort to bring about social change. Some of our programs include - individual advocacy/counseling, legal clinic and legal referrals, transitional housing, support group, outreach and education, fundraising and grantwriting. Both Manavi staff and volunteers contribute to the daily functioning of Manavi.

Some Manavi programs/activities that you can volunteer for are as follows:

• Supportive Counseling/Advocacy  
  *(In order to become a counselor/ advocate, you will be required to attend an advocacy training)*
• Transitional Home
• Transportation/Accompaniment
• Childcare
• Outreach/Community Events
• Newsletter/Publications
• Translation/Interpretation
• Fundraising/Grantwriting
• Office Support
• Technical Support/Help Desk

We require that everyone who is interested in becoming a Manavi volunteer attend an orientation program before they start volunteering. The orientation session is held twice a year and it gives participants an opportunity to learn about Manavi’s philosophy and values, apart from giving them a detailed idea about Manavi programs.

We constantly invest our energies into maintaining and improving Manavi’s volunteer program, in order for it to function effectively. Towards the same end, we expect a level of commitment from our volunteers as well. Because we believe in building relationships with our volunteers, we expect at least a six-month commitment from them. Furthermore, we expect volunteers to attend program meetings, which are generally held on a monthly basis, at the Manavi office, during weekday evenings and weekends.

We hope that volunteering with Manavi will be a fulfilling and enriching experience for you!
VOLUNTEER APPLICATION FORM

Name: ______________________________________________________

Address: __________________________________________

Phone: (Work) ___________________ (Home) ___________________ (Cell) ___________________

E-mail: _______________________

Languages: Written ______________________________________

Spoken ______________________________________

Why are you interested in volunteering with Manavi? Please use at least 100 words in your response. You can use page 3 for additional space.

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Can you make a commitment to volunteer at Manavi for at least six months?

Yes ___________ No ___________

Please indicate your availability for volunteer work.

Weekdays ___________ Weekends ___________ Week Evenings ___________

Please note that everyone interested in volunteering with Manavi is required to attend an orientation session, which is held twice a year.

Yes ___________ No ___________

If you are unable to volunteer at this time, would you be interested in being on Manavi’s mailing list to receive a Weekly Digest and Newsletter published about twice a year.

Yes ___________ No ___________

Please e-mail this form, attention ‘Volunteer Coordinator’ at: manavi@manavi.org

OR fax it at: 732-435-1411

OR mail it to: Manavi, P.O. Box 3103, New Brunswick, NJ 08903

* Please note that space for volunteer orientations is limited to 20 participants, so please send us this form at your earliest convenience.

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