



## **Thank you for your interest in volunteering at PARC!**

**We are so fortunate to have so many different people come to our programs and make a difference in the lives of children and adults with developmental disabilities.**

### **To volunteer we have the following guidelines:**

1. Each person will fill out an application and submit to the Community Relations Department. This includes all student volunteers and court ordered volunteers who will be volunteering for a limited amount of time. At this time, the applicant will receive information on PARC to make sure that the volunteer opportunities are clear to the applicant. *Individual volunteers must be at least 16 years old.*

*\*\*Court Ordered applicants are taken on a case by case basis and will only be accepted for weekends only in the PARC Thrift Store.\*\**

Applications can be downloaded on PARC's web site at [www.parc-fl.org](http://www.parc-fl.org).

2. PARC will perform a background screening for every applicant through the FDLE. Out of the safety and concern for our program participants and as a licensing agreement, a person with certain felony convictions will not be able to volunteer in the direct care program areas. This will be addressed on an individual basis. Applicants will be asked to sign an Affidavit of Good Moral Character from the Department of Children & Families which details criminal activities that will disqualify applicants.

3. After the application has cleared the background screening and the initial interview, the volunteer applicant will attend a scheduled volunteer orientation. During the orientation, the volunteer will learn about volunteerism at PARC as well as ask questions about the role of the volunteers at the agency. The volunteer will be made aware of policies and procedures that directly affect their involvement at PARC.

**Please call Kelli Caputo at 727-341-6930 or email [kcaputo@parc-fl.org](mailto:kcaputo@parc-fl.org) with any questions.**