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Monona Terrace Seeking Volunteers to Serve As TERRACE TOWN 2023-24 MENTORS



Program description: Terrace Town brings architecture, design and city planning curriculum to Dane County elementary classrooms. Over several weeks, students learn how cities are planned, what makes a quality city, and how citizens can participate in the improvement of their community. Classrooms then design and construct scale model “box cities” and install them in Monona Terrace’s Exhibition Hall for public display.

We are recruiting volunteer mentors to partner with schools and visit classrooms in the months of January-early March. Culminating events occur at Monona Terrace March 14-16.

Mentor service entails:

- Attend training to learn presentation techniques and activities for an elementary classroom.
- Attend a kick-off workshop with teachers to begin discussion on working together.
- Commit to a minimum of three visits to a classroom and facilitate design and construction activities. Activity themes include zoning and land use, transportation options, architectural features, green buildings, among others.
- Acquire resources, including city maps, zoning charts, and photographs of buildings for classroom use.
- Assist in box city installation at Monona Terrace on March 14 or 15 (“School Build Day”).
- Arrange your own transportation to the schools for visits.

What makes a great mentor?

A great mentor has the right mix of enthusiasm and a willingness to learn delivery styles appropriate for an elementary classroom. Mentors must be able to schedule their visits during school time (typically within the hours of 9-2:30) in advance and keep commitments. A background check will be conducted.

For more information, please contact:

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