Youth Program Volunteer Opportunities

Program Volunteer: If you are a part of the community and want to make a positive influence in the lives of youth and have some fun along the way, then this is for you. On Belay holds youth programs monthly from February to November, so there are many opportunities to volunteer. You will play a vital role in creating positive energy, joy, and encouraging youth to overcome challenges. You can volunteer at as many programs as you want. All you need is the desire to work with youth and have fun!

Program Facilitator: During climbing gym programs, we utilize Program Facilitators to create the adventure-based framework that is vital for reaching our goals. You will take a lead role in creating a supportive environment, establishing the framework of growth, and fostering relationships within a group. You must have experience in adventure-based programs (or have attended numerous On Belay programs), and worked with youth to volunteer for this role. Not all our programs need program facilitators so there are limited opportunities throughout the year. However, this is a great opportunity for those who want to take on more of a leadership role at a program and play an integral part in creating impactful moments for the On Belay kids.

Program Assistant: During a program there are a lot of behind-the-scenes things going on. Things are being torn down, set-up, and managed. Also, you never know when someone will be in need of an extra snack, or water bottles need to make it all the way across the course. In order to make a fun and growth filled program we need people who are working hard to make it happen. The Program Assistant works directly alongside the Program Director to make sure all those things happen. If you are a person who loves taking on a support role and is detail-oriented then this is your opportunity.

Grub Club: Wouldn't it be nice if food would just appear in front of us! That is the way it works for our youth at an On Belay program. Despite how magical this may appear, we need people to help us perform the magic trick. The grub club is simple: pick up the food before a program, set up lunch during the program, and serve it to all the awesome kids. It may seem like a small task but lunch is a vital part of the program. In addition, if you or a group would like to cover the cost of the meal, that takes the impact beyond lunchtime and supports On Belay. If you have limited time to volunteer at a program, but have the urge to make a big impact, this opportunity is for you!

Please note: to volunteer at any youth program in any of the roles listed above, you must attend a youth program volunteer training, volunteer at at least two programs a year, and pass a background check.
Organizational Volunteer Opportunities

Event Volunteer: On Belay puts on a series of amazing events throughout the year that help us grow as an organization and provide unique opportunities for our community. Events take a lot of support before, during, and after the occasion. In addition, they take people who are creative and have the knack for planning. If you have a skill set that is beneficial for conceptualizing or running an event or you would like to be a part of the event team, this is for you.

Administration: Our office in Newmarket, NH is one of the coolest places around! We could always use a helping hand to assist us with all the behind the scenes tasks it takes to make On Belay the amazing organization it is. Some prior experience with administrative tasks is a plus but not a requirement. All you need is desire to help and the willingness to take direction.

Marketing & Referral Development: Can you see it now, the On Belay name up in lights? Well it doesn’t really work that way, but you get the idea. We want everyone to know about On Belay and what it can do in the lives of youth. A poster here, a postcard there, and informative conversations everywhere in New England. We need people who are on fire for On Belay and want everyone to know. It doesn’t hurt if you have some marketing and public speaking skills to go along with it. If you have what it takes to get On Belays name up in lights, this is the opportunity for you.

Fundraising: One of the amazing things about On Belay is that all our programs are free. The financial burden that cancer can put on a family is high. We want to make sure we keep On Belay as a relief instead of an addition to their financial strain. The way we do this is through the generous giving of others. We wish it would just happen without much work, but fundraising is a full time endeavor for On Belay. It takes outreach, grant writing, events, newsletters, thank you cards, and so much more. If you have a knack for fundraising and expressing gratitude then this is the opportunity for you.

Become A Donor

Are you busy with work, family, or other commitments and unable to volunteer your time, but you still want to support the work that On Belay is doing? Consider donating a financial gift. You can make a one-time donation or become a Belayer and contribute monthly. Either option is greatly appreciated. All donations go directly to supporting youth programs.