Tandem Adventurers Volunteer

About DGCKids

DGCKids helps children who are blind or have a visual impairment build the skills, confidence, and connections to thrive alongside their families and community. We're one of only three organizations in Missouri focused solely on this work, and the only nonprofit in St. Louis supporting them and their families from birth through high school graduation.

Tandem Adventurers meets every other week from April through September, with rides held on either Thursday evenings or Saturday mornings. Each ride lasts about two hours and covers 15 to 20 miles.

Who We're Looking For

We're seeking skilled cyclists who are passionate about sharing their love of biking with children. Being part of Tandem Adventurers is an incredibly rewarding experience. As captains and solo riders, you'll help introduce youth with visual impairments to the joy, freedom, and camaraderie of cycling.

Volunteer Requirements

- All volunteers must register with the Missouri Family Care Safety Registry (takes a few minutes online, $15 fee and DGCKids happily reimburses) and review DGCKids volunteer training.
- Consistency is particularly important for children with visual impairments, and we encourage volunteers to commit to attending regularly to help build meaningful connections with participants.
- **A positive attitude and willingness to learn matter more than prior experience. Experience working with children and/or children with disabilities is a plus, but it's not required.**

What You'll Be Doing

- Riding in the front seat of a tandem bicycle, safely guiding a child or teen.
- Communicating clearly and confidently with your rider before, during, and after each ride.
- Encouraging, motivating, and creating a fun, inclusive experience for your rider.
- Ensuring the safety and comfort of your rider by following all safety guidelines and signaling clearly.
- Serving as a positive role model and representative of DGCKids during events and rides.
- Assisting with bike setup, fitting helmets, and basic pre-ride checks as needed.
- Working closely with staff/families to support rider's individual needs and goals.

To sign up, visit www.dgckids.org/support-us/volunteer/ or scan
Questions? Email Anne at volunteer@dgckids.org