# **2017 Sonoma County Fair Volunteer Descriptions**

## **Building Attendant Volunteers** (Group or individual volunteers needed)

Volunteers are needed in the 4 exhibit buildings: Hall of Flowers, Finley Building, Kraft, and Garrett Buildings.

## **Shift Details:**

- Volunteers check-in at the Volunteer Office for their assignment and then report to the building supervisor.
- Shifts are 3 ½ -hours, 12:00-3:30pm and 3:30-7:00pm.
- Volunteers receive one break for each 3 ½ shift this is coordinated with your building supervisor.
- Positions are mostly standing and moving throughout the building.
- Chairs are available in some locations if a brief rest is needed.
- Each building has water and restrooms.

## Responsibilities include:

- Ensuring the rules of the building are followed (e.g., no running in the building, no food/drink in certain buildings, exhibits are not touched or taken!).
- Answer questions (e.g., regarding fair show times, venue locations, ATM locations, restroom locations, etc.)
- Volunteers attend a mandatory volunteer orientation. Dates and times to be determined later.

## <u>Special Events Volunteers</u> (Individual volunteers needed)

Holiday Squad – August 3 thru August 13, 11:30 am to 7 pm (times vary by day): This year's Sonoma County Fair theme is 'Holidaze', and we are planning to celebrate as many holidays as we can fit into our 11-day run. The 'Holiday Squad' will be helping with our holiday-themed activities, including arts & crafts, special contests, and lots of holiday prep. Every day a different activity, but all will involve working with the public. Most require the ability to be on your feet and on the move. \*Shift times subject to change as time gets closer to the fair.

**Kids Area – August 3 thru August 13, 11:45 am to 7 pm:** Help is needed with activities for young children in the Kids Area and set-up and break-down. Set-up begins daily at 11:00 am and the area closes at 7:00 pm. *We can use up 2-3 volunteers at all times*.

Special Events volunteers first check-in at the Volunteer Office and then report to the Special Events Office to sign in – it helps us to know who we have working that day.

## Volunteer Orientation

A 30-45 minute presentation is given prior to the Fair opening covering the volunteer's roles and responsibilities as well as the Fairgrounds. A Volunteer Handbook, fair admission and parking passes are distributed at the orientation. Dates/times/locations will be announced in late June to early July.