



# CommonBond COMMUNITIES



## Make a Difference in Your Community!

### Be a Study Buddy with CommonBond

One-on-one tutoring is the best kind of educational support for students. Our Study Buddies program is designed to meet that widespread need by providing a structured, academic-focused program in which each youth and tutor are specifically matched. Volunteers who can commit to this program get the satisfaction of knowing they truly are playing a meaningful role in supporting the success of a young person.

#### What you'll do:

- Work one-on-one with a student in grade 1st - 6th. You will meet with this student the duration of your time in Study Buddies.
- Strengthen students' academic skills by leading student through tailored learning activities.
- Provide mentoring support to students through social-emotional learning activities and by building a positive relationship.

#### What we are looking for:

- Enthusiasm for helping youth learn!
- Commitment to weekly attendance for the duration of a school-year.
- Willingness to use work within the Study Buddies structure through learning activities and progress tracking.
- Willingness to work with students from diverse cultural, socioeconomic, and academic backgrounds in a housing-based setting.

#### Commitments of volunteering:

- Attending 90 minute weekly sessions for the duration of a school-year (from enrollment until May, although many pairs continue meeting for multiple years).
- Consistent communication with staff about scheduling and any concerns.

#### Support for volunteers:

- Organizational orientation and tutoring techniques training provided prior to start.
- Program staff onsite and available for guidance, encouragement, and direction.

#### Benefits to volunteering:

- Gaining experience working in a youth program that serves a diverse community.
- Making a difference in a young person's life and your community!

#### About CommonBond:

Our work comes from a simple notion: Home is the foundation for everything in life. Our expertise ranges from interacting with officials on complex legislation, to investing in and developing properties, to making sure a child has a place to do homework.

Since the early 1970s, CommonBond Communities has provided homes and support for those most in need. We were founded in part as a response to racial and economic injustices. Today, nearly 50 years later, injustices still exist and our mission is more relevant than ever.

#### Getting enrolled:

Enrollment steps for volunteering in a youth program include an application, phone screen, background and reference check, and orientation.

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