



Volunteer Needs

As Mater Filius Colorado Springs prepares to open in 2023, God and the Sweet Love of Mary will be calling members of our community to participate in this important mission of Defending Life with Love. Please prayerfully discern with us whether They may be calling you to serve in these important ministry roles – both small and large – at Mater Filius.

- Director Roles:** Mater Filius is a true ministry, consisting of a volunteer Executive Director Couple and 7 more volunteer Directors that lead and sustain the organization. These have larger commitments (up to 10-15 hours/week) but are full of rewards both now and into eternity. Feeling called toward one of these areas? Contact us to explore further.
 - Operations
 - Administration
 - Director of Doulas (Mentors to Moms)
 - Volunteers
 - Communications
 - Spirituality
 - Child Enrichment/Catechesis of the Good Shepherd
- Internal Volunteers:** Personal and intimate interaction with the moms and/or kids. Must be women in good standing with their parish, able to make good decisions and act and speak with great love. Examples include:
 - Doulas (Mentors to Moms)** – Rich and rewarding chance to mentor the future mother to assist her in obtaining the skills to provide a loving, functional home for her and her children. (Should be mother of a family with sufficient time to devote to weekly meetings with the mother).
 - Respite Imas (Housemothers)** - Fills in during the times that the paid Housemothers (Imas) are on break, typically helping the moms make dinner weekday evenings or Sunday afternoons.
 - Child Enrichment/Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Helpers.** Helps in our Good Shepherd Center with the babies and other children accompanying our new mothers.
 - Donation/Boutique Volunteers.** Receive, sort, display donations and assist moms in “shopping” for their daily personal/household/baby needs.
- External Volunteers:** Perform duties outside Mater Filius or without direct/frequent contact with the moms and kids. Great for men or women committed to the mission willing to accept any task. Examples include:
 - Maintenance Volunteers
 - Seamstresses for our Tilmas (blessed uniforms for staff/volunteers)
 - Car Repair Volunteers
 - Bookkeepers/Accountants
 - Computer Techs
 - Social Media experts
 - Any other talent you would like to share
- Resource Volunteers:** Helps fulfill all the material needs of Mater Filius and our moms, such as household furnishings, personal items, diapers, baby needs, and more. Can host a drive, plan an event, and more.
- Praying Volunteer:** Makes a commitment before God to pray for Mater Filius and its spiritual/material wellness.

Please note: All Volunteers must share the mission of Mater Filius to Defend Life with Love; respect and obey the guidelines in our Operations Manual; sign our commitment to respect life in all stages from conception to natural death. Volunteer positions with direct contact with clients will be subject to background checks and must complete Diocesan safe environment training.

Paid Positions will be available for certain key roles, such as Imas (Housemothers), Child Enrichment/Good Shepherd Center Teachers, and more. Please inquire or check back as we approach opening in 2023.

To get started, please contact **Executive Director Lisa Schmitz** or **Board Advisor Julie Bailey** at info@materfiliuscs.org or (719) 900-2801.

