

Volunteer FAQ 2024

The info below should answer many of the questions that you may have about what it means to volunteer at Momentum Youth Conference.

Before filling out the application online, we ask that you read this information in its entirety to fully understand the commitment and opportunity. Please complete the volunteer application **AFTER** reading this FAQ. Thank you for your willingness to serve with us!

WHO CAN VOLUNTEER TO HELP AT MOMENTUM?

In order to make Momentum possible, we will need volunteers who are willing to serve throughout the entire conference in various roles. You may apply to volunteer if you have been out of high school at least one year.

WHAT IS THE APPLICATION PROCESS FOR VOLUNTEERING AT MOMENTUM?

To begin the process, fill out the volunteer application online. After filling out the application we'll touch base with you shortly. If you don't receive this confirmation email, please let us know by emailing registrar@buildmomentum.org. We will be happy to continue to accept volunteers as space allows.

WHAT IF I AM ACCEPTED TO VOLUNTEER, BUT THEN AM UNABLE TO ATTEND?

If you apply and then find out that you cannot serve, please contact us no later than June 1 so we can fill your position. We ask for this time frame so that we can avoid turning away others who are able to volunteer. Noshows create significant challenges for our volunteer team leader, so the most advanced notice we can have, the better. We realize that last minute emergencies sometimes arise and alter your availability to serve.

WHERE WILL I STAY?

Momentum volunteers stay on campus in Staff/Volunteer housing separate from youth group housing.

WHAT IS THE COST?

Momentum underwrites a large portion of the registration cost for volunteers as they have significant serving roles each day. This special reduced rate that Volunteers pay is \$285 which includes your housing and meals for the week. As there are 25-30 volunteer positions available, payment of the initial \$75 deposit is the determining factor of securing your volunteer spot. Any registrations without a deposit paid by June 15 will be considered an available position to be filled by someone else. Deposits are only refundable up until June 15. After June 15 deposits are non refundable. After June 15, the registration rate increases to \$340.

WHAT IF I HAVE TO CANCEL?

If you need to cancel your Momentum Volunteer registration, please contact registrar@buildmomentum.org (whether you've submitted payment or not). Deposits are only refundable up until June 15. After June 15 deposits are nonrefundable. Anything paid above the \$75 deposit will be refunded in the way it was paid (to either the credit card used or by check if paid by check.) No refunds are issued after the start of conference on July 16, 2024.

HOW MUCH OF THE CONFERENCE WILL I BE ABLE TO ATTEND?

We want you to be able to attend as much of Momentum as possible, but also know that some programming may overlap with your volunteer responsibilities. Please come willing to serve and fully aware that there may be times you will be limited from attending sessions or other programming due to volunteer responsibilities.

WILL I BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ON MISSION OPPORTUNITIES?

ON MISSION is the off-campus ministry aspect of Momentum. Volunteers generally have responsibilities during the afternoon times and aren't able to participate in the On Mission opportunities off campus.

WHAT MEALS ARE PROVIDED FOR VOLUNTEERS DURING THE CONFERENCE DAYS?

All meals (breakfast, lunch, and dinner) are provided for volunteers through the campus cafeteria from dinner on Tuesday, July 16 to breakfast on Sunday, July 21 as a part of the volunteer cost. Breakfast is served in the mandatory morning staff meeting that volunteers are required to attend.

WHEN SHOULD I ARRIVE AT MOMENTUM 2024?

You will need to arrive in time to attend a mandatory volunteer meeting on July 16, 2024 at 4:45pm. Then immediately afterwards, you will join the 5:30pm Staff Orientation/Dinner Meeting that includes all youth workers and Momentum Staff.

WHAT IS MY SCHEDULE?

Your schedule for the duration of conference will depend on your specific role assignment(s), which will be covered during the orientation meeting. You should be prepared to be available for any shift. Please note that volunteers will have multiple assignments to most efficiently use your time and to best serve the conference.

WILL I BE ABLE TO PARTICIPATE IN OTHER ACTIVITIES?

Volunteers may not participate in student activities such as afternoon auxiliary options (Your Day, Your Way), sports tournaments, etc. While we want our volunteers to have a great Momentum experience, we ask that you focus on being available to serve. If a volunteer's youth group is present at Momentum, it is the youth group's lead youth pastor's choice if volunteers may participate in nightly "youth group time" as long as the volunteer has no volunteer responsibilities to perform during this time.

WILL I BE ABLE TO CHOOSE WHAT CAPACITY I SERVE IN?

While the best help is where it's needed the most, you will be able to list your skills in the application and these will be taken into consideration as we schedule shifts for the week.

OTHER QUESTIONS?

Please email registrar@buildmomentum.org and someone will be in touch with you as soon as possible.

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Sessions – Volunteers help in the main sessions in and around the Chapel in areas such as greeters, ushers, and backstage hands. Volunteers here have continual interaction with large groups of students and are cheerful and welcoming as students enter the arena.

Check-In – Volunteers who are able to arrive to the conference early on Monday can help welcome groups and help lead contacts check-in as they arrive at Momentum 2024. A limited number of volunteers are needed. Volunteers can indicate their interest to arrive Monday on their registration form.

Auxiliary Tech – Volunteers with specific skills can help to complement the Momentum video and audio team.

Afternoon Activities – Volunteers help prepare and run afternoon options such as sports tournaments, set up for group games, overseeing the open play activities, and other on campus options.

Hosting - Volunteers help host Power Tracks and seminars by welcoming students at the door and helping to count the number of attendees.

Volunteers at Momentum generally cover many areas throughout the day and help in great ways to make the conference a success.

The Volunteer Application will provide an opportunity to indicate if you have specific skills in areas such as:

- o Refereeing Sports
- o Operating portable audio systems
- Experience/Knowledge of working with a variety of IT equipment
- Art skills to assist instructors of afternoon classes and more!

Click here to complete the Volunteer Application online.

Thank you for being willing to serve!