

Lifeguard – Family Wellness

The Fresh Air Fund, an independent, not-for-profit youth development organization, has provided free summer experiences to more than 1.8 million New York City children from low-income communities since 1877. Despite the challenges presented by COVID-19, The Fund continues to provide safe, fun, engaging and enriching experiences for New York City youth to keep the magic of summer alive through virtual and outdoor programs. Fresh Air children also participate in year-round leadership and educational programs. For more information, visit www.FreshAir.org.

Position Summary

The Fresh Air Fund is hiring summer lifeguards for our Family Wellness program. The role requires the person to lifeguard in both pools and lakefronts as well as supervise boating activities. The ideal candidate is consistent, observant, and detail-oriented with previous experience working as a lifeguard.

This is an in-person position working at both Sharpe Reservation in Fishkill, NY and Camp Junior in Harriman State Park. Lifeguards will report to the Program Coordinator.

Employment period: Mid-June through August 26, 2021. *There is a mandatory orientation.*

Hours per week: Hours per week vary with a maximum of 35 hours per week.

Compensation: Salaries start at \$14/hour.

Benefits: None.

Responsibilities

- Daily lifeguarding responsibilities may include but are not limited to: lifting heavy objects and/or people, diving into the water, working in hot and sunny conditions and communicating in a clear and concise manner with participants and staff.
- Actively maintain the waterfront and boating facilities to comply with all safety regulations.
- Weekly submission of all forms and records required by the Department of Health.
- Demonstrate understanding of emergency procedures and follow them when needed.
- Maintain an adequate level of fitness and technique throughout the summer by participating in workouts (swimming, boating, practicing rescues, etc.) and keeping a log of trainings.
- Assume responsibility for the safety and well-being of participants.
- Handle stressful situations appropriately in a fast-paced, interactive environment.
- Work in a cooperative manner with fellow staff to achieve goals of the program.
- Explain and enforce the policies and rules of camp.
- Take ownership of the use and care of equipment and facilities.
- Additional responsibilities as assigned.

Qualifications

- Must be at least 18 years old by July 5.
- Applicants do not need to have a current lifeguard certification but must be a strong swimmer and meet the requirements of the American Red Cross Lifeguard Training course.



- Must pass the ARC Lifeguard Training course during orientation or provide proof of current certification in order to work as a lifeguard.
- Current ARC small watercraft certification preferred.
- Emotionally mature with a willingness to work as a team player and to maintain a positive attitude.
- Outstanding verbal and written communication skills.
- Ability to work successfully with a broad range of personality types.
- Highly developed organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Self-starter with strong problem-solving skills.
- Interest in joining a youth development organization and supporting its mission and vision.

Application Instructions

To apply please, submit an application by clicking on the **In-Person Sharpe Reservation Jobs** link at: https://freshairfund.workbrightats.com/jobs/. We are hiring on a rolling basis and encourage interested applicants to apply as early as possible. No calls or recruiters, please.

The Fresh Air Fund is proud to be an equal opportunity employer, committed to inclusive hiring, and dedicated to diversity in its work and on its staff. We strongly encourage candidates of all identities, experiences, orientations, and communities to apply.