



# Volunteer Application: Part A

Sakhi for South Asian Women is a community-based organization in the New York metropolitan area committed to ending the exploitation and violence against women of South Asian origin. Recognizing oppression based on class, immigration status, religion and sexual orientation, we work to empower women, particularly survivors of domestic violence. Sakhi strives to create a voice and safe environment for all South Asian women through outreach, advocacy, leadership development and organizing.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Area of Residence: (please check one)

Queens

Brooklyn

Connecticut

Manhattan

Staten Island

Long Island

Bronx

New Jersey

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_

## Requirements List

I will be able to successfully complete the Volunteer Training for Community Outreach **OR** Direct Services through full attendance and participation.

I can give a one-year commitment to volunteer at least 6 to 10 hours per month with Sakhi.

I will serve on a volunteer-committee dedicated to a specific project for the year.

I will attend all program and committee meetings.

I will participate in one of the following events a minimum of **three times in a six-month period (six times total)**:

Assisting with children's activities during support group, empowerment classes, or workshops.

**OR**

Tabling at Sakhi's outreach/fundraising events.

**OR**

Accompanying a survivor to court or public assistance office.

I will attend at least one of the four marches that Sakhi attends per year.

I will volunteer at one of Sakhi's celebratory events, which include the Eid-Diwali Party (mid-November), the Annual Holiday Party (mid-winter), the Valentine's Day Party (mid-February), and the Annual Picnic (mid-summer).

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## Program Area Preferences

I am most interested in assisting with the following program areas:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Direct Services            | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Domestic Violence Advocacy | <input type="checkbox"/> Community Outreach & Organizing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Economic Empowerment       | <input type="checkbox"/> Development & Fundraising       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Women's Health Initiative  |  |

## Time Commitment

Do you have:

- 6 to 10 hours **each month** (on an average basis) of free time to volunteer with Sakhi?  
 Daytime availability as a volunteer? (A minimum of 4 contiguous hours on any given day) How much notice do you need in order to be available for a particular day?

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I am willing to take a day off of work once every 2-3 months in order to accompany a survivor.

In general, is your schedule best suited to:

- Weekend availability as a volunteer?  
 Regular evening availability as a volunteer? (i.e. 3 to 4 Monday nights in a row)  
 Sporadic evening availability as a volunteer?

My weekend/evening availability is best described by which of the following:

- Once a week for six weeks in a row, on weekends (4 hours on a Saturday or Sunday)  
 Twice a month for three months, on evenings and/or weekends (sporadic, 2 weeks notice)  
 Twice a month for three months, on weekends only (4 hours on a Saturday or Sunday, sporadic, 2 weeks notice)  
 Twice a month for three months, on evenings only (3 hours on a weekday evening, sporadic, 2 weeks notice)

Do you prefer volunteering on a *project-by-project basis* (i.e. helping out intensively for a month (15-20 hours in one month, then a break for one month, then another 15-20 hours the next month, etc.) or on an *on-going basis* (i.e. your time is spread out evenly over the entire year)? Please explain if necessary.

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## Project Commitment

Are you available to serve on a committee for one of the following tasks, where duties will include coordinating information and materials with staff and other volunteers?

(Please check which one(s) you would prefer.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sakhi's <i>Community Bol</i> Newsletter<br>(produced 3 - 4 times per year) | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising & Development   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach Event Planning  | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Training & Skills |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Activity Facilitation   | Refreshers Planning                                  |

## Language Skills

Are you fluent in one or more South Asian languages? Please rate your language experience in the table below using **F**=fluent, **S**=semi-fluent, and **N**=not very fluent.

	Reading	Writing	Speaking
Bangla/Bengali	--	--	--
Bhutanese	--	--	--
Farsi	--	--	--
Gujarati	--	--	--
Hindi	--	--	--
Kannada	--	--	--
Malayalam	--	--	--
Marathi	--	--	--
Nepali	--	--	--
Oriya	--	--	--
Punjabi	--	--	--
Sinhalese	--	--	--
Tamil	--	--	--
Telugu	--	--	--
Urdu	--	--	--
Other:	--	--	--

## Additional Comments

Please add any comments you would like us to know at this time here. Thank you again for your interest in volunteering to end violence against women!

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