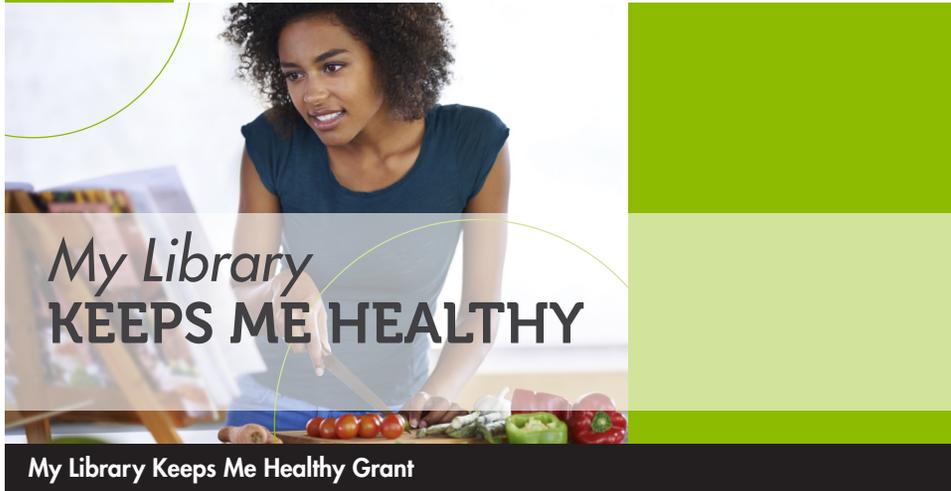


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Training Provided for Library Ambassador Intern Volunteers:

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- Orientation to the Austin Public Library customer service policies and grant objectives
- Ongoing training opportunities across the grant year

Time Commitment | Ability to commit to a minimum of 4-6 hours each week for a twelve-month grant period as well as to training (Grant period: September 2015 through August 31, 2016)

Required Documentation | Completion of an Adult APL Volunteer Application in addition to a successful Criminal Background Check library.austintexas.gov/volunteer/adult

Skills needed:

Volunteers will be required to possess and demonstrate the following skills with or without reasonable accommodation

- Customer service skills greeting the public and communicating health-related information in a culturally and linguistically sensitive manner
- Ability and willingness to learn how to access online Library tools and train members of the public to use them as well as other physical health-related resources available at the Library
- Ability to keep accurate records and meet timeline requirements for reporting data
- Ability to use a PC laptop, iPad or tablet device
- PREFERRED: Effective communication skills in Spanish, Vietnamese, Chinese, Hindi, Urdu, or other relevant languages to our five target libraries
- Ability to lift, push, or pull up to 40 lbs
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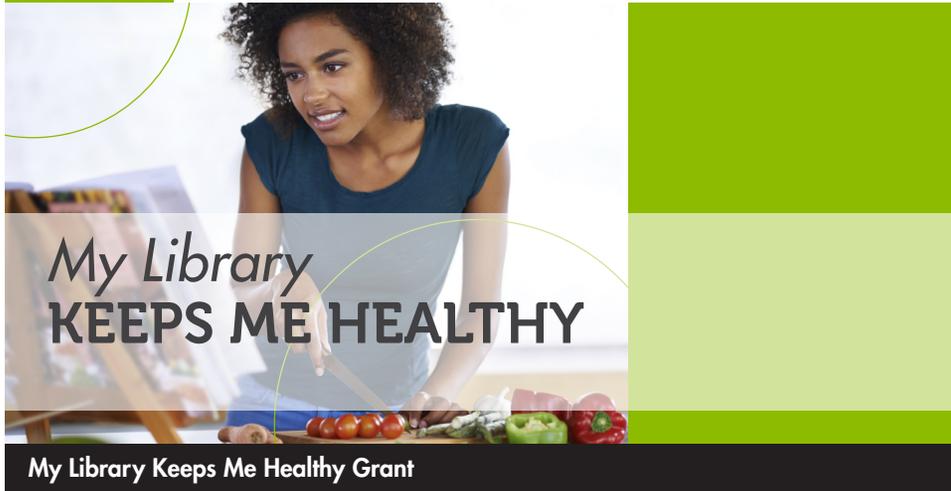
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