

I worked with between friends club for the summer of 2011 at camp Bonaventure. My estimated total hours were about three hundred and twenty as I worked forty hours a week for two months. I have been volunteering for between friends club since January 2011. I volunteered for the winter movie program, spring bowling program and currently, fall movie program. I have thirty-six hours for the winter/spring programs. My fall program is not complete yet.

I am applying to social work this year for the fall 2012. I am currently in arts taking social work related options. As a social worker I plan to work with families and youth. I plan to work with all kinds of social problems including those that persons with disabilities face on the daily bases. My course of study directly impacts between friends club because it's the first non-profit organization that I have volunteered and worked for. I am really interested in working with non profit organizations in the future as a social worker and between friends club is an organization that gave me an opportunity to experience working with persons with disabilities, and made me think about continuing it in the future within my field.

Between friends club has impacted my life greatly. I had never worked or volunteered with persons with disabilities before. I had seen and considered all social problems that I wanted to work with as a social worker, but never had I thought about working with persons with disabilities. I never thought about the exclusion that persons with disabilities face in our community. After I got to work

with between friends I realized I had been missing a lot in life and it opened my eyes. It was one of the best learning experiences in my life. I learnt so much from the participants I got to work or volunteer with. Because of these experiences I am planning to do respite and more volunteering with persons with disabilities. I learnt to be open minded, caring and more aware of the community and the world we live in. I learnt everybody deserves to be happy and not feel left out or neglected, and it's our responsibility as fellow humans to be able to make others happy and expand our friendships and create a social life for everyone because we all need one another. Other great lessons for me were equality and fairness to all persons because we all have different abilities, and to be more aware of this and fight for it, this is what I took the most from being apart of between friends club.

I Plan to work for between friends club camp Bonaventure in 2012 and also to volunteer or run programs that fit into my schedule. I hope to work and volunteer with between friends club for as long as I possibly can.