



The Dignity Center: Advocates

<p><i>Background on organization</i></p>	<p>The Dignity Center welcomes and supports people dealing with financial and housing instability on their path to stability. A ministry of Hennepin Avenue United Methodist Church, The Dignity Center works one-on-one with people to build relationships, helps them set goals toward greater self-sufficiency and stability, and develops and implements a plan to reach those goals.</p>
<p><i>Service opportunity</i></p>	<p>Advocates meet one-on-one with clients to develop a supportive relationship to assist them in identifying and developing goals for greater stability in their lives and a step-by-step plan for achieving their goals.</p>
<p><i>What volunteers do</i></p>	<p>Advocates meet with one of the Center’s clients to listen and learn about their situation and current concerns. Advocates then help the client determine what goals they want to set to help them achieve greater stability in their life. These goals might include setting up bank accounts, living within a budget, applying for public assistance, or goals related to interviewing or social skills.</p> <p>New advocates begin by shadowing a current advocate and meet with clients on their own once they feel comfortable. Ongoing support from The Dignity Center staff is available.</p>
<p><i>When</i></p>	<p>The Dignity Center is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 – 11:30 am.</p> <p>Advocates will work with The Dignity Center to set an individual schedule during open hours.</p>
<p><i>Where</i></p>	<p>425 Groveland Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55403</p>
<p><i>Learn more</i></p>	<p>Email Margaret Kelly (margaret@haumc.org) to get involved and/or ask questions.</p>