

# Questions to Ask

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

1. Tell me about the history of this organization. When was it established?
2. What is the mission statement?
3. What does the organization value?
4. Who would be my actual site mentor? Can you tell me a little bit about that person?
5. Is there a typical chain of command that I would follow? If so, what is it?
6. How would you describe the atmosphere/culture of this site?
7. Can you describe the work environment at this site?
8. What are you hoping to accomplish, and what will be my role in those plans?
9. What would be my major job responsibilities?
10. Can you tell me more about my day-to-day responsibilities?
11. What is a typical day like?
12. Can you please tell me a little bit about the people with whom I'll be working most closely?
13. Are there other volunteers that come in? If so, where are some of the places that they come from?
14. What are some of the skills and abilities you see as necessary for someone to succeed at this site?
15. What challenges might I encounter if I am selected for this site?
16. What are the most satisfying aspects of your work?
17. How did you get involved with this organization?
18. What are the demands and frustrations that typically accompany this type of work?
19. What are the dissatisfying aspects of the work?
20. Would you describe for me the actions of a person who previously achieved success at this site?
21. Would you describe for me the actions of a person who previously performed poorly at this site?
22. If I were to be selected for this site, what one piece of wisdom would you want me to incorporate into my experiential work?
23. What are a couple of misconceptions people have about this site?
24. Would you like a list of references?
25. Are there any other questions I can answer for you?