2010 Volunteer Program
Empowering young people through our China Care clubs has always been an integral part of our mission. When Matt Dalio founded China Care, he was just 16 years old and wanted to inspire other young people to make a positive difference in the world. Our volunteer program was created to do just that.

This summer, dedicated China Care club members will have the opportunity to work at The China Care Home caring for our special needs children. The China Care Home is a state-of-the-art residential medical home located in central Beijing. Volunteers will spend ten days lending a helping hand in our pre-and-post-operative special care nursery and housing units, working directly with the children they have grown to love. This is an incredible, once in a lifetime opportunity for club members to witness the impact of their hard work, while discovering first-hand how China Care is truly saving lives.

To be eligible to volunteer, you must be a high school or college student and member of a China Care club. The volunteer program will be held in two sessions: **July 17-26 & July 27-August 5.** Applicants must specify which session they are applying for on the application. Each interested club member must submit his or her application individually.

There is a volunteer program fee of $1,250, which includes all in-country costs: meals, lodging, transportation and sightseeing. Trips will be planned for the volunteers to go shopping at local markets, visit the Great Wall of China, Tiananmen Square, Forbidden City and the 2008 Olympic Village. Not included in the program fee, volunteers are responsible for the cost and arrangement of flights and travel visas. Please make sure your passport has at least six months of remaining validity in order to obtain a tourist visa to travel to China.

We appreciate your willingness to take the extra step to volunteer with us in China, and are grateful for your unwavering club support year after year.

**Application deadline: April 12, 2010**

If you have any questions about volunteering please contact Katerina at: 203-227-3655 or kkruzykowski@chinacare.org.
All applications must be received by April 12, 2010

1. Full name: __________________________________________________

2. Please circle preferred volunteer session:  July 17-26  July 27 – August 5

3. Date of birth: ________/_______/_______  Age: _________

4. Male or female: _____________________________

5. Primary mailing address: _______________________________________

_______________________________________________________________

6. Email: _____________________________________________________

7. Telephone number(s): _________________________________________

8. Member of ________________________________ China Care Club

9. Have you ever been a China Care Club officer?
   If yes, explain: _________________________________________________

   __________________________________________________________________

10. Year in school (fresh, soph, jr, sr) _______________________________
11. Have you ever traveled internationally? Yes: _____  No: _____
If yes, where and when? ____________________________________________

12. Do you speak Mandarin Chinese or another Chinese language?
If yes, what language? _____________________________________________

13. What is your t-shirt size: ________________________________

14. Are you a U.S. citizen or permanent resident? Yes: _____ No: _____
If no, what is your citizenship? ________________________________

15. Have you ever been convicted of a crime?
If yes, explain: __________________________________________________
____________________________________________________
____________________________________________________

16. Do you have any physical, emotional or dietary limitations that could affect your ability to volunteer internationally?
If yes, explain: __________________________________________________
____________________________________________________
____________________________________________________

I confirm that the above information is complete and accurate.

Signed ___________________________ Date ______________

If you are under 18 years of age a parent/guardian is required to sign:

Signed ___________________________ Date ______________
To be considered for the volunteer program, you are required to submit:

- The two completed pages of the 2010 Volunteer Application

- One letter of recommendation from an employer, teacher or non-family member that can attest to your ability to be considered for the volunteer program.

- A one page personal statement that addresses the following questions:
  
  - Why are you interested in volunteering with us in China?
  - How did you become involved in your China Care Club?
  - What would make you a key member of our volunteer program? (Include any special skills such as being certified in CPR or First Aid, relative work experience, etc.)
  - What do you hope to learn from this experience?

Please submit all documents together in one envelope.

Only complete applications will be reviewed and considered.

Applicants will be notified of their acceptance after April 19th. Please do not make any travel arrangements until being contacted by the China Care Foundation.

Mail completed applications to:

China Care
Attn: Volunteer Program
P.O. Box 607
Westport, Connecticut 06881