



GlobalFC

*hope in play*

Futbol.Community.

Welcome!

I am delighted that you have decided to volunteer with Global FC. Your time and effort will help us support refugee and at-risk youth as they embrace new opportunities and develop skills that will prepare them for a bright future. We are striving to build a growing community of empowered members in which all are free to be fully known and fully loved to We trust that you will serve as an integral part of this community committed to engaging and supporting underserved youth and their families.

Thanks to our partnerships with local soccer clubs, academic, faith and various other community organizations, we are able to offer sports, education, mentoring and family support that passionately assists refugee and at risk youth to recognize and unleash the value they bring to our country. We believe children and youth serve as powerful instruments for societal transformation and as agents of change for the next generation.

The Global FC volunteer position is not a rigid one, but rather we encourage interested individuals to relationally connect with our futbol community and champion the youth by being "visible". Being visible means becoming a trusted and familiar face to those we serve. By being flexible and open to serve in various capacities (highlighted below), our desire for you is that in time, you can discover where your gifts and talents can best be utilized. We believe this way, your time with us will be fulfilling and purposeful. Even more, our ultimate goal is to encourage and equip our volunteers to develop additional support outlets that they feel they have been called to lead. We envision multiple initiatives branching out from our organization, developed and unleashed by our passionate volunteer base. We see our volunteers not merely as support agents that assist in our organization tasks, but rather the "change agents" within our growing community who are willing to shepherd new ideas for the betterment of the people we serve. All this, while staying true and connected to our founding vision and core values.

Working with our youth is exciting and rewarding, but we know it can also be challenging. Please review the volunteer manual carefully so that you can make the most of your experience with us. If you ever have any questions or concerns about your volunteer experience with Global FC, do not hesitate to contact our Administrator, [Ella Munthali](#). She can be reached at [913.200.6251](tel:913.200.6251) or [ella@branch-global.com](mailto:ella@branch-global.com)

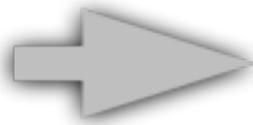
Thank you very much for giving your time and support.

Sincerely,  
Mariya Dostzadah Goodbrake  
Executive Director

**Volunteer Roles (including, but not limited to):**

- Team Managers
- In-class assistance
- Mentoring - boy's and girl's programming
- Tutors
- Youth family engagement
- Youth family support
- Transportation (practice, games, tournaments, events)
- Casting our organization vision to your personal and professional networks
- Shuttle bus monitoring (riding in the shuttle bus to and from practice. This is where we truly get to engage with the youth)

- Trainers
- Coaches
- Assistant coaches
- Health & Wellness support: Teaching the youth about nutrition, fitness and healthy living
- Counselor: issues of trauma: coming from conflict countries around the globe, integration issues
- Tournaments: Many volunteer opportunities available on tournament dates
- Snacks and beverage provider
- Administrative & Communications support



Are you able and willing to assist us with transportation? (circle) YES NO

“Sport has the power to change the world. It has the power to unite people in a way that little else does. Sport can awaken hope where there was previously only despair.” - Nelson Mandela

### About Global FC

Founded in 2014, Global FC invests in the lives of refugee and migrant communities, supporting and celebrating their diversity with purpose. Global FC utilizes sport as a vehicle for youth development, family empowerment and community transformation. Our mission is to empower youth by supporting and promoting educational attainment through in-school and after-school support, improve lives by providing programs that strengthen physical health, social and emotional development, and unite communities by advancing diversity, equity, and community well-being.

### Mission

Global FC exists to bridge cultures to come together in justice, forming communities where all are free to be fully-known and fully-loved in pursuit of their God-given purpose and potential.

### Our Approach

We are dedicated to supporting youth and their families to discover and unleash the value they bring to our nation. Global FC believes that refugee/ migrant and at-risk communities have strengths, abilities and inherent value; and must be treated with dignity and respect. We represent, support and come alongside individuals and their families to create pathways to success, while responding to the realities of a complex, rapidly changing world. We believe in self-determination by empowering people with the supports needed to make informed decisions and choices.

Sport is a powerful conduit for transformation and has the unique ability to impact lives while tackling the many challenges underserved populations face. We strive to build a growing community around our efforts, bringing people together around shared goals; modeling and promoting love, unity and compassion in everything we do. The relationships we form and the community-oriented behavior that we nurture through youth soccer carry over into other aspects of our community life, strengthening it as a whole. We align and maximize the resources of an extensive network of partnerships to support coordinated and sustainable investment in youth development through sports and community-based programming.

We are committed to investing in youth from our nation’s low income families by providing access to quality sports opportunities, breaking the “pay to play” model. Additionally, we aim to bridge socio-economic disparities between various communities through the formation of an inclusive sports culture. By hiring dedicated coaches and trainers, alongside our diverse volunteer base, we aim to inspire their success on and off the field by inspiring youth to pursue their greatest potential as individuals and athletes.

Our holistic approach harnesses the power of relationships to reduce youth violence and family conflict, strengthen communities, inspire academic success, promote health and wellness and to create mentorship chains.

## Our Focus

The overwhelming majority of youth and families we work with come from across the globe and the populations we work with speak numerous languages. We engage with over twenty nations, including but not limited to: Somalia, Syria, Iraq, Congo, Rwanda, Thailand, Burma, Honduras, Ethiopia, Burundi, Mexico, Liberia, Sudan and Egypt.

## Global FC Core Values and Community Strategy

### Core Values

#### Compassion. Collaboration. Community.

- Compassion- Solidarity with one another, capacity to enter into another's joy and sorrow. Developing the capacity to forgive others.
  - Collaboration- To harness the power of collaboration with various and diverse partners through strategic opportunities to accomplish our objectives. Great things happen when we work together.
  - Community - We are committed to the cultivation of a diverse and inclusive environment where members are free to be fully-known and fully-loved, coexisting through shared values.
1. Global FC believes in the benefits and attraction of youth sports as a means to teach the children of this community values and skills that will be of benefit to them throughout life.
  2. We believe that Global FC efforts will develop fundamental internal and external assets for children by providing opportunities to develop positive character traits and life values. With these opportunities, children can learn a multitude of important lessons and valuable fundamentals, such as ethics, abiding by the rules, winning and losing with grace, coping with success and failure, work ethic, respect for authority figures, teamwork, development of fundamental motor skills and sports specific knowledge.
  3. We believe that the most important underlying mission is to develop emotionally, socially, and physically healthy children.
  4. We believe that sports serves as a powerful conduit to build authentic relationships with youth and their families in our efforts to support the household and to transform lives.
  5. We recognize the need to ensure that Global FC programs are safe, positive, fun, physically and psychologically age-appropriate, educational, teach values and ethics, strengthens the community, promotes competition without conflict, offer a reasonable number of events, are administered by qualified volunteers, and most importantly, are open to all residents of all abilities and should not be denied an opportunity to participate based on ability.

\*Please do not hesitate to contact our team if you have any questions!

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