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*#HelpUsHelpOthers*



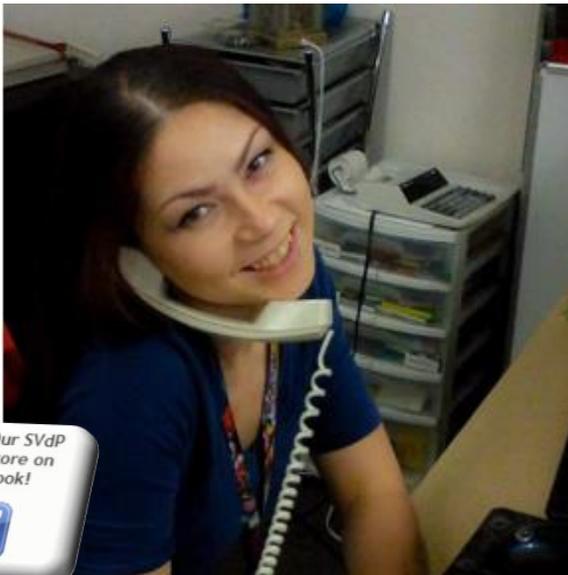
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**Why Volunteer?** It's fun, it's interesting, and, as told in this issue, you have someone to make it easy! The need is great, and there are so many ways you can help! The Sacramento Diocesan Council, Society of St. Vincent de Paul, could not do its works of charity without the generous giving of time and service of our many valued volunteers. *Thank you!*



## **A Welcoming Face at Our St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store**

**Amanda Guajardo** has worked at our Thrift Store for over three years and calls it "by far the best environment to work in." She serves as receptionist, and much more, and has learned, she proudly notes, "every position available." Amanda works directly with conferences who call for services or with questions, and she is ever present and "always happy to help" customers at the Store's "Help Us Help Others" reception

desk. Amanda's efforts over the years have been greatly appreciated, and she has twice been named "employee of the month."

Among the many hats she wears for our Thrift Store, Amanda works with our store volunteers. "Our volunteer program has always been my favorite part of my job," Amanda says. "I have met and learned about so many amazing people. The best part is having our volunteers come back as customers."

*So, what might a new volunteer expect?* "For every volunteer, there is an orientation," Amanda explains. "We get all the necessary paper work and go over our rules and expectations." After a new volunteer gets a tour of the store operation, "We get our volunteers on tasks right away," Amanda explains, adding she thinks the "hands on" method is "the best form of learning."

Amanda truly appreciates our volunteers. Whether someone is serving as a one-time or student volunteer, or a regular volunteer or a "community service" volunteer, "We have an amazing set of helping hands year round," Amanda notes. "And yes, we want more!"

## **We Welcome Volunteers!**

To volunteer, contact the St. Vincent de Paul Store at 916-972-1212 or visit our web page!