



THE VOLUNTEER CENTER
of BROWN COUNTY

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The Volunteer Times

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Now through December 24 — Bell Ringers

Mondays-Saturdays: various shifts from 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

The Salvation Army is seeking volunteers to ring bells for their red kettles at over 34 locations. This is a great opportunity for families, sports teams, scout troops, youth groups, and individuals. Groups may want to consider adopting a kettle, which means the Salvation Army will block that site out and the group will cover all shifts for the day. **Contact** the Bell Office at 920-884-3077 or bell_greenbay@usc.salvationarmy.org.

Now through December 23; and December 26-30 — Garden of Lights volunteers

Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays, through December 23, and also December 26-30: 5:00-9:00 p.m.

The Green Bay Botanical Garden would like volunteers for the 22nd Annual WPS Garden of Lights, their largest fundraising event. There are 45 shifts each night, requiring about 3,000 volunteer hours over the course of the 20-day event. To learn more about the variety of tasks and shifts available each evening and to sign up to volunteer, visit <http://signup.com/go/sLhmccV>.

Contact Danielle Schneeberg with questions at 920-491-3691 ext. 105 or dschneeberg@gbbg.org.

December 2 and 30 — Lambeau Field Concession Stand Volunteers

Green Bay Packers home games on Sunday, December 2, and Sunday, December 30: 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

Lifting Up the Elderly & Disabled needs volunteers ages 14 and older to work their inside concession stand. Duties include cashiering, frying burgers, wrapping brats and hot dogs, and clean-up. **Contact** Denise Nalepa-Hucke at 920-883-6122 or liftupelderlydisabled@aol.com.

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December 4-8 — Holiday on the Rails Volunteers

Tuesday-Saturday, December 4-8: various shifts 8:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

Join the National Railroad Museum for their Holiday on the Rails event where guests will enjoy a train ride, arts and crafts, museum decorations, and a visit from Santa. Volunteers ages 16 and older are needed to help in all these areas. **Contact** Scott Lozar at 920-437-7626 ext. 13 or slozar@nationalrrmuseum.org.

December 8 — Spirit of Christmas Past Volunteers

Saturday, December 8: 9:30 a.m.-4:00 p.m. (all-day shifts preferred)

Heritage Hill State Park is looking for volunteers to help show historic demonstrations, greet visitors, do crafts, and decorate. Volunteers under age 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. **Contact** Erin Comer at 920-448-5150 ext. 109 or erin@heritagehillgb.org.

December 10 — Volunteer Informational Meeting

Monday, December 10: 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Circles Green Bay will be holding an overview session where volunteers will learn about opportunities to help lift families out of poverty and will complete an interest survey and application. Those who attend will be offered an ongoing volunteer position that matches their talents and availability. Some positions take place behind the scenes, and most take place on recurring Monday evenings. The meeting will be held at 600 Cardinal Lane in Green Bay. **Contact** Jennifer Schmohe at 920-593-3474 or jens@gbcc.me.

December 13 — Holiday Store Volunteers

Thursday, December 13: 8:00-11:00 a.m.

Green Bay Area Public Schools would like volunteers ages 18 and older to help students at Elmore Elementary School pick out holiday gifts for their family members or help with gift wrapping. **Contact** Amy Fish at 920-272-7657 or acfish@gbaps.org.

December 13 — Holiday Store Volunteers

Thursday, December 13: 5:30-7:30 p.m.

Green Bay Area Public Schools would like volunteers ages 18 and older to help students at Sullivan Elementary School shop for gifts for their family members, help wrap gifts, and assist with cookie decorating and games. **Contact** Amy Fish at 920-272-7657 or acfish@gbaps.org.

December 19-20 — Toy Shoppers

Wednesday and Thursday, December 19-20: 2:00-5:00 p.m.

The Salvation Army needs volunteers ages 18 and older to help families shop for toys. Volunteers will be paired with families and will help them navigate the distribution floor. Volunteers will be standing and walking throughout their shift, and should arrive 15 minutes prior to their scheduled start time. **Contact** Jean VandenLangenberg at 920-593-2375 or jean_van@usc.salvationarmy.org.

December 31 — US Bank Eve Volunteers

Monday, December 31: 4:30-8:30 p.m.

The Green Bay YMCA is seeking volunteers to assist with bingo, arts and crafts, inflatables, and more at this family-friendly event. Volunteer groups are welcome. Volunteers under age 14 must be accompanied by an adult. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or laurie.zastrow@greenbayymca.org.

Ongoing Opportunities

Large Donation Scheduler

Tuesdays and Wednesdays: 8:00-11:00 a.m.

St. Vincent de Paul is looking for volunteers who can provide a welcoming telephone presence to those wishing to schedule pick-up of large donations. Volunteers will organize and schedule according to the weekly pick-up route. **Contact** Lynn Mullins at 920-435-4040 ext. 107 or volunteer@svdpqb.org.

Vigil Volunteers

Flexible shifts, 1-2 hours per week

Aurora at Home Hospice would like volunteers ages 18 and older to provide companionship to patients when it is needed most. Volunteers will sit with patients during their last moments, hold their hands, and help ease anxiety and fear. Training is provided and no experience is required. **Contact** Miranda Gage at 920-412-6359 or miranda.gage@aurora.org.

Resale Shop Volunteers

Flexible shifts

Unity Hospice would like energetic and fun volunteers to work in the Unity Resale Shoppe. Duties include receiving donations, sorting, merchandising, and cashiering. **Contact** Kelly Lautenslager at 920-338-1111 or klautenslager@unityhospice.org.

Volunteer Team Coordinator

Flexible shifts and hours, but includes some evenings and weekends

New Leaf Foods is looking for a volunteer team coordinator age 18 or older who will assist with events, spend five or more hours a week working on Green Bay Garden Blitz activities, attend steering team meetings, and report on the work of the volunteer team. This individual will attend the Garden Blitz (May 2-5, 2019) and the Family Farm Days event (June 2019). The volunteer will also be expected to commit to remaining in the position for one year or until after the event, and will attend the debriefing meetings to give feedback on how to improve the process. They will also recruit a volunteer team to do the work of the group, keep a list of contact information on team members and community partners, and keep accurate records to pass over to the coordinator for the next year. In addition, they will report to and meet regularly with the Blitz coordinator regarding the work of their team and will communicate regularly with other teams regarding progress made. The volunteer will develop the work plan/timeline for their team and must complete assignments on time. They will attend training as needed and assist with the priorities of the steering team.

Contact Kim Diaz at 920-600-4413 or kimr.diaz@gmail.com.

Art Cart Volunteers

Flexible days and hours

Bellin Health Systems is seeking volunteers ages 16 and older to bring a Bellin Expressive Arts in Medicine (BEAM) Art Cart to patients during their hospital stay, and offer an art or craft project to patients at no cost, along with a smile, and conversation. Art is part of the healing process, provides distraction from anxiety, and is calming and uplifting for patients and those who support them. The carts are stocked with art supplies and make-and-take projects. This is an extremely rewarding experience for an enthusiastic, positive, nurturing person who loves people. **Contact** Amy Eliason at 920-430-4674 or amy.eliason@bellin.org.

Gift Shop Clerk/Cashier

Four-hour shift per week, various days and times

The Neville Public Museum is in need of volunteers over the age of 21 for their gift shop. Volunteers will greet and assist customers, and operate a computerized cash register. Must be dependable, have good customer service and communication skills, know how to use a computer and accurately handle money, and be willing to work a weekly shift. Training will be provided. **Contact** Kathy Rosera at 920-448-7847 or rosera_kh@co.brown.wi.us.

Troop Leaders

Through June 2019: flexible schedule

Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes would like volunteers ages 18 and older to be troop leaders in schools on both the east and west sides of Green Bay. Volunteers would lead 1-2 meetings per month (about 1½ hours each). Training, curriculum, and materials will be provided. **Contact** Kristin Gallagher at 920-955-3443 or kgallagher@gsnwgil.org.

Support Group Volunteers

Wednesday evenings, plus various times throughout the week

Do you have an interest in making our community safer? Do you have a genuine willingness to help others? Consider being part of the mission of Community Circles of Support, which is people helping people transition from incarceration into the community. They are seeking volunteers ages 22 and older to be mentors during the Wednesday support group meetings for recently released ex-offenders. Volunteers also get involved with intake interviews, one-on-one meetings, and transporting participants. **Contact** Anne Strauch at 920-968-6832 or astrauch@goodwillncw.org.

Reading Coaches for Kids Tutoring Program Volunteers

Weekdays, various times

Many elementary-aged children in the Green Bay School District are in need of community members to listen to them read to increase their literacy levels. Do you have one to two hours a week during the day over the course of the school year to help? If yes, Reading Coaches for Kids and the children need you! Free orientation, training, and ongoing support are given to all the volunteers. There is no need to have experience in the education field, and background checks are performed by the district. Volunteers select the day, time, and location based on the needs of the schools. **Contact** the Volunteer Center of Brown County at 920-429-9445 or volunteercenter@volunteergb.org.

Volunteer Drivers

Flexible shifts Monday-Friday (can share a shift among a group of drivers)

Curative Connections is seeking volunteers ages 18 and older to drive seniors and people with disabilities to and from appointments, jobs, the grocery store, and more. Volunteers will offer to provide door-to-door assistance to clients as needed. Curative provides training, vehicles, gas, and insurance. No CDL or heavy lifting required. Volunteers must have a good driving record. A background check will be performed. **Contact** Tina Whetung at 920-227-4272 or twhetung@curativeconnections.org.

Patient Companions

Flexible shifts, 1-2 hours per week

Aurora at Home Hospice is looking for volunteers ages 18 and older to share stories, play games, read books, and offer companionship and emotional support to patients through friendship. This also provides downtime for caregivers, allowing them to run errands while knowing their loved one is in good hands. Training is provided and no experience is required. **Contact** Miranda Gage at 920-412-6359 or miranda.gage@aurora.org.

Brown County Memory Cafés

Do you have three hours to spare just four times a year to volunteer? Do you enjoy initiating and contributing to the conversation? Can you assist with a craft or play a table game? That's all the Brown County Memory Cafés ask of their volunteers. The Brown County Memory Cafés provide a place where individuals with memory loss and their care partners come to have fun and socialize with others who are facing similar experiences. The volunteers support and interact with participants and caregivers to engage them in activity and conversation. In addition, volunteers will assist the Café Coordinator as needed with set-up, registration, the refreshment table, and light clean-up. No heavy lifting required. Before starting, all volunteers are required to complete a 20-minute online dementia awareness training course and a background check at no cost to them. A packet of volunteer materials will be provided upon request. Volunteers are expected to arrive a half hour prior to the café for set-up and remain for up to a half hour after for clean-up. If you enjoy the company of others, this may be the volunteer opportunity you are looking for. The Brown County Cafés meet once a month at the following locations and times:

Oneida Memory Café – 1st Tuesday of the month, 1:30-3:00 p.m.

Contact Oneida Coordinator Debra Miller at 920-869-4854 or dmiller4@oneidanation.org.

Suamico Memory Café – 1st Wednesday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

NWTC Memory Café – 2nd Tuesday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

ADRC Memory Café – 3rd Wednesday of the month, 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.

De Pere Memory Café – 3rd Thursday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Denmark Memory Café – 4th Thursday of the month, 1:00-3:00 p.m.

Contact Brown County Memory Café Assistant Connie Roberts at 920-412-9960 or croberts@curativeconnections.org.

Sexual Assault Victim Advocates

Various days and shifts

Have you been inspired by the bravery amongst sexual assault survivors speaking out? Are you looking for a way to stand with those survivors and make a lasting impact in our community? If so, the Sexual Assault Center needs individuals ages 18 and older to join their volunteer team. No experience is necessary as all advocates receive extensive training prior to working with victims of sexual violence. Their training program is flexible for those with busy schedules, with self-paced learning modules combined with on-site training and shadowing experiences that prepare advocates for this work. Advocates play an important role in victims' healing process, as they not only field incoming hotline calls, but also respond to hospitals or police stations to provide immediate support and information. Volunteers sign up for three shifts each month that work with their schedule and attend monthly meetings with other advocates to maintain protocols and expand knowledge. Apply online at www.familyservicesnew.org/volunteer/ and the volunteer coordinator will send you more information to get started. **Contact** Chelsey Steffens with questions at 920-436-8899 or csteffens@familyservicesnew.org.