

September 2016 Featured Volunteer Openings



Sing Out Against Poverty, The First Annual Faith Alliance Music Festival, needs **SET UP AND CLEAN UP VOLUNTEERS** - If you are free around 9am on Sept 24th and/or at 5pm the same day to clean up.

The event is a free, family-friendly, Christian rock festival held at the Square at Union Centre. It is open to the public. Enjoy live praise music, food and fun for the kids! Donations go to support Faith Alliance programs and outreach ministries benefiting local individuals and families in need. Read more about Faith Alliance activities at www.thefaithalliance.org. Contact Bonnie Greenwood bojim824@yahoo.com.

City of Hamilton
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Volunteer Openings for City of Hamilton:

Sept. 10 - Hamilton Flea - work merchandise and selling beer tickets; RiversEDGE concert - merchandise, wrist bands and selling beer.

Sept. 15 - RiversEDGE concert - selling beer/wrist bands

Sept. 17 - RiversEDGE Concert - selling beer/wrist bands

October 7, 8 and 9 - Downtown Hamilton - selling beer/wrist bands/merchandise/selling pop, water and coffee.

Contact Karen Wittmer, Program Coordinator for Volunteers. 513-844-8050 karen.wittmer@hamilton-oh.gov.

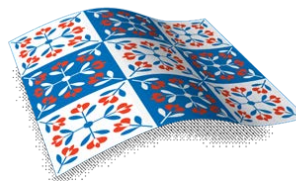


Great Miami River Cleanup

Butler Soil and Water Conservation District and partners are holding the Great Miami Cleanup event on Saturday, Oct. 22. There are multiple locations to choose from starting Carlisle all the way to the Ohio River. We provide gloves, bags, water and a t-shirt to all volunteers. Youth groups such as scouts and girl scouts can receive a patch.

The cleanup will occur in and along the river, so be prepared for walking through brush and getting muddy. **To register and for more information**, please visit our website <http://greatmiamirivercleanup.org/> where you will find a link to the online signup (not required, but recommended). There is also a link to the waiver. Please make sure that the parent/guardian signs this waiver for all minors that you bring. If you have any other questions, then please call 513-887-3720. **This event is family friendly and open to all ages.**

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Peer Partner volunteers: Butler County Community Wraparound (through Family and Children First Council) is adding additional support to our process in the form of Peer Partners. These individuals will be partnering with the youth on Wraparound teams to help empower them to ensure voice is being heard at meetings, as well as help them navigate through the many systems of care. We are currently looking for young adults (over the age of 18) with lived experience (such as involvement with juvenile justice,

mental health, children services, substance abuse, developmental disabilities or special education) to partner as volunteers (stipend for attending meetings and mileage reimbursement will be included). If you are eager to learn and grow and help other youth who are struggling to see that they are supported, this may be a good fit! (One year commitment if possible. Hours per week will vary.)

Contact Julie Caito, LSW, [513-594-1007](tel:513-594-1007), Caitoj@bcesc.org, Butler County Educational Service Center, 400 N. Erie Blvd. Suite A. Hamilton, OH 45011.



Butler County children are in need of your help.

Due to the escalation in heroin drug use in southwest Ohio there is an increasing number of child neglect and abuse cases, so the need for new volunteers is urgent! More trained volunteers means more children with a voice in court, more children with an advocate for proper medical care and educational services, and more children with a real chance to find a safe, permanent, loving home.

Would you be able to help by becoming a CASA volunteer? Do you know a friend, family member, or co-worker looking for a rewarding volunteer experience. Please go to www.parachutecasa.org, call [513.867.5010](tel:513.867.5010), or email casa@parachutecasa.org. A child is waiting.



Mercy Health St. Raphael

Want to make a difference in someone's life, meet new friends and give back to your community? If so then please consider bringing your skills and interests to Mercy Health St. Raphael.

You can volunteer according to your personal schedule, morning or afternoon and depending on your qualifications choose your role!

We interview all applicants to assess interests and skills. We will make every effort to make the appropriate match between the volunteer and the area of need.

Opportunities are available in the clinic and our Choice Food Pantry. Food Pantry Assistants, Lunch Window Attendant, Stocking shelves, Donation Assistants, Volunteer Nurses, Volunteer Physicians, Telephone-Patient Follow-up, Intake Screening, Special Projects.

Find out if being a Volunteer at Mercy Health is the right fit for you. Contact Volunteer Services at 513-981-4211 or bgemmons@mercy.com.



Opening Minds through Art

Intergenerational art program for people with dementia is in need of volunteers for their sessions at Cedar Village Retirement Community in Mason. Training is required and participants will meet weekly with elders on Friday mornings from 9:30am-11:30am to enable the elders to create art. We welcome high school students, home school students, college students or community volunteers. (College credit and post-secondary credit is available). Contact Beth Rohrbaugh, ssistant director of the program at rohrbaea@miamioh.edu or 513-529-7172. Training will be held Sept 9 & 16, 2016.



Construction Career Days – Butler County Fairgrounds – An event put on by ACI (Allied Construction Industries) in collaboration with Junior Achievement to expose students to careers in construction-related fields. Multiple volunteers needed -- Pre-event Setup help needed on Tuesday, Sept. 13, beginning at 9 a.m. until set up is completed (guesstimate 3-4 p.m.); Day of (Wednesday, Sept. 14, and Thursday, Sept. 15,) volunteer opportunities beginning at 7:30 a.m. for bus greeters, serving lunches, monitoring students, facilitating flow of students, assisting exhibitors, relay race, etc. (runs until approximately 2:00) Contact: Lindsey Hall, Education Coordinator, Allied

Construction Industries (ACI), 513.221.8020 or email: LHall@aci-construction.org.

Junior Achievement (JA) classroom volunteer – Butler County area youth can benefit from your experience in just 45 minutes 1x/week for 5-7 weeks by becoming a JA classroom volunteer. JA provides a one-time new volunteer training of 1.5 hours and provides all the materials to lead the activities and discussions in K-12 classrooms. Coordination of the days and times of classroom visits is done between the volunteer and the teacher at the school at which you're paired. Many options this Fall, Winter and Spring all over the county. Contact Carol Lucio, 513.673.9357 or Carol.Lucio@ja.org.

Junior Achievement (JA) event volunteer – Volunteers needed on Friday, September 16th from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. (lunch will be provided) at the Middletown Sportsmen's Club for the 3rd annual Guns & Grapes 39°N Women's Sporting Clay shoot. Volunteers are needed to help with set-up, registration, and raffle basket coordination. Contact Carol Lucio, 513.673.9357 or Carol.Lucio@ja.org for more information or to sign-up.



LifeSpan Court Appointed Guardians

Many of Butler and Warren County's most vulnerable elderly, mentally ill and developmentally disabled residents have experienced improved lives thanks to the advocacy of the court appointed guardians from LifeSpan. LifeSpan was the first organization to offer a guardianship programs in Butler County and remains the only one serving both elderly and those with mental illness or developmental disabilities.

LifeSpan Guardians are appointed by the Probate Court to make decisions for their persons under Guardianship relating to their health care, living arrangement or safety issues. Persons under Guardianship are individuals who have no immediate family able to or willing to help them or they have limitations that impair their ability to make competent decisions. They typically live in nursing homes, group homes, or in other supported living environments. Many times, our Guardian is the only person who visits outside of medical professional or caregivers.

LifeSpan is always in need of compassionate Volunteer Guardians or Friendly Visitors as each year the Guardianship programs sees an increase in referrals. This your chance to help those whom may have no where to turn. Volunteers must be at least 18 years old and will receive orientation and ongoing training. Volunteers develop a personal relationship, oversee care, advocate, or just be a friend with individuals under Guardianship. Contact Angelic Frazier- Volunteer Guardian Coordinator @ 513-785-4189 or frazier@lifespansohio.org.

Also from LifeSpan... Are you looking for some ways to volunteer and help the community out at the same time? If you answered yes, you have found your match. LifeSpan is looking for the perfect volunteer to help us with creating client packets and inputting survey information. You can set your own schedule as you like while helping us catch up on very important work-client information. If you are interested in working in a laid-back and comfortable office environment and want to work in a fun group, then give us a call. We can't wait to hear from you!

CONTACT Teka Reinhold, Volunteer Coordinator, 513-785-4186 or reinholdt@lifespansohio.org for more information.



More than 100 volunteers are needed for Horse Daze on Sept. 17. See information below.

MetroParks of Butler County

Historical Interpreter Training on Thursday, Sept. 1, from 10:00am-2:00pm at Governor Bebb MetroPark, 1979 Bebb Park Lane, Okeana, OH 45053. Learn about becoming a volunteer for historical programs at Governor Bebb MetroPark. Historical Interpreter volunteers will help prepare and present historical programs to the public, primarily school groups. Volunteers can expect to dress in period specific attire (provided), perform demonstrations and provide education to groups. Training provided.

Stepping Forward: Service Day on Saturday, Sept. 3, from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Sebald MetroPark, 5580 Elk Creek Road, Middletown, OH 45042. Stepping Forward: Service

Days allow for volunteers to do a number of activities at various parks throughout the year. Service Days are held to keep parks clean, improve habitat, complete projects, and prepare for events. **Volunteer to perform trail maintenance and prepare the horse trails for Horse Daze.**

Trail Ambassador: Trail Ride on Saturday, Sept. 3, from 1:00PM – 3:00 at Bicentennial Commons, Carmody Boulevard and Central Ave, Middletown, OH. **Join trail ambassadors in monitoring the Great Miami River Recreation Trail** and learn more about becoming a MetroParks of Butler County Trail Ambassador. Trail Ambassadors monitor the trail at least 4 hours a month on their bicycle. Trail Ambassadors report maintenance and safety concerns to MetroParks staff, assist trail users when necessary, provide information to trail users, and perform light trail maintenance.

Stepping Forward: Service Day on Friday, September 16, 2016 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Sebald MetroPark, 5580 Elk Creek Road, Middletown, OH 45042. Stepping Forward: Service Days allow for volunteers to do a number of activities at various parks throughout the year. Service Days are held to keep parks clean, improve habitat, complete projects, and prepare for events. **Volunteer to prepare Sebald for Horse Daze.** Tasks will include setting up event fencing and staging the area for the event.

Horse Daze on Saturday, Sept. 17, various shifts at Sebald MetroPark, 5580 Elk Creek Road, Middletown, OH 45042. **Help with Horse Daze, a day of horse activities and family fun!** There are multiple volunteer shifts during the event - volunteers may sign up for more than one shift. Sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090d44a8ab2da5fd0-horse>

Stepping Forward: Service Day on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9:00 AM – 12:00 PM at Governor Bebb MetroPark, 1979 Bebb Park Lane, Okeana, OH 45053. Stepping Forward: Service Days allow for volunteers to do a number of activities at various parks throughout the year. Service Days are held to keep parks clean, improve habitat, complete projects, and prepare for events. Volunteer to help with park projects at Governor Bebb MetroPark! **Volunteers will be performing trail maintenance, general maintenance of the Pioneer Village area and other tasks.**

Upper Mill Creek Clean Up on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 9:30 AM – 1:00 PM at Gilmore MetroPark, 7950 Gilmore Road, Hamilton, OH 45011. Join MetroParks of Butler County and the Mill Creek Watershed Council of Communities in the Upper Mill Creek Clean Up. **Help clean up Mill Creek watershed by removing trash from Gilmore MetroPark.** Enjoy beautiful scenery and wildlife at Gilmore MetroPark while you make a positive impact.

Fall Hayrides on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 10:45 AM – 2:15 PM at Forest Run MetroPark, 1976 Timberman Ridge,

Hamilton, OH 45013. Assist with Fall Hayrides at Forest Run MetroPark. **Volunteers will help prepare the hay wagon and ride on wagon with groups to ensure safety.**

MetroParks also has many on-going and group service projects. Contact Zach Marcum at [\(513\) 867-5835](tel:5138675835) zmarcum@yourmetroparks.net.

Audience for Taping of Drone Racing

Join the Drone Racing League for the taping of Level 4: The Ohio Crash at Champion Paper Mill, 601 N B St, Hamilton, Ohio. The Qualifying Rounds will be on **Monday, September 12th from 1:30 PM - 5:30 PM**. The Semi-Finals & Finals will take place on **Tuesday, September 13th from 9:30 AM - 5:00 PM**. Details <https://level4ohiocrashsite.eventbrite.com>.



Board of Developmental Disabilities

Friends of Citizens with Disabilities” is hosting a WIFFLE BALL TOURNAMENT on Saturday, September 17 at the Joe Nuxhall Miracle League Fields in Fairfield. Games begin at 1:30 p.m. **We are looking for volunteers to help with carnival games, silent auction, parking lot attendants, and general logistics starting at 12:30.** Volunteers are signing up for 2 hour blocks, but you can volunteer for as many shifts as you want. Depending on number of teams, the tournament could go to 9 or 10 PM. We are also in need of carnival type games that we can borrow and little prizes to give away to the kids.

Do you like to bake? We need some **volunteers to bake some cookies, brownies, and/or other treats for something we call “Fast Breaks.”** A Fast Break is where a small group of people, including folks with disabilities, deliver treats to a local business for their staff meeting.

The Haunna Meyer Memorial Foundation (HMMF) is having a water station at the Queen Bee Marathon on October 8th from 7:30 AM to 11:30 AM. It is a lot of fun and we would love to have you join us. **We need 20-30 volunteers.** If you are interested, just let us know and we will send you a link on how to sign up.

We are looking to add some more “Kindness Couriers” to our roster. This is someone who donates a little time to **deliver or pick up items for individuals with disabilities (i.e.,**

household items, groceries, furniture, etc). If you are interested, we will put you on our roster and just e-mail you some opportunities as they arise.

The Give Back Crew is a group of folks who volunteer at different community events and causes, as a way to say thank you to the support shown by our community for people with developmental disabilities. The Give Back Crew consists of professionals in the field, individuals with disabilities, family members, community partners and people from the FANS Network. Volunteer opportunities are sent out on a regular basis and you can choose to help if your schedule allows.

Join our Give Back Crew and help us provide "Instant Picnics" to local organizations. We schedule the picnics, bring the grill, and all the supplies. You just show up to help us serve and join us for a free meal.

We have other projects that need donations of various items or gift cards instead of volunteers. Ideal for class, sports team, church, business, or civic groups.

To sign up or receive additional information contact Scott Osterfeld at sdosterfeld@butlerdd.org or 513-785-2813.



A view of the 2015 art fair.

Pyramid Hill Sculpture Park & Museum

Art Fair: Our 14th Annual Art Fair will feature 70+ regional artists over two days. Volunteers are needed to work 3-hour shifts in parking, hospitality and clean-up on September 24 & 25.

Nature Walking Play: Volunteers are needed the weekend of September 16 - 18 for 2-hour shifts to work the box office and direct parking.

Museum Gallery Series: Volunteers are needed on September 16 from 5 - 9 pm to direct traffic.

Contact Jeni Barton at jbarton@pyramidhill.org or 513-868-8336.



Shared Harvest Foodbank

Unique Opportunity - We are in need of 16 Volunteers to assist as "community workers" in a Poverty Simulation being held at Miami University Voice of America on Friday, Sept. 16, from 11:30 -3:00 Lunch will be provided along with very clear instructions as to each individual's "role".

Please contact: Mitchell Willis [\(513\)874-0114](tel:5138740114) or email: Mitchell@sharedharvest.org



Liberty Township

Annual **FALL FESTIVAL** on Saturday, Sept. 24, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Liberty Park behind the Lakota Family YMCA. Liberty Township is always looking for volunteers to help with community events! Student volunteer opportunities available too! As part of the Fall Festival, the third annual **PAWS on PARADE** will take place at 12:30 p.m. Festival highlights will include inflatables and an activity zone for kids, horse and carriage rides, a variety of games, food and ice cream vendors, community booths and more!

Contact Vickie Daniel at 513-759-7500 vdaniel@liberty-township.com.



PAWS Adoption Center

PAWS Adoption Center is in need of wonderful volunteers to help with our mobile events as well as our day-to-day operations at the shelter! If you're willing to work for snuggles, call us! [513.539.7297](tel:5135397297).



West Chester Township

Volunteers needed for Great Pumpkin Fest and Raskals Fall Clean-up:

West Chester Township seeks volunteers to work The Great Pumpkin Fest on Oct. 8 at Keehner Park. This annual fall event is a favorite among families and requires the support of hundreds of volunteers to lead games and activities, decorate, and more. Shifts are available Saturday before (set-up), during, and after (tear-down) the event from noon until approximately 7 p.m.. This is a great opportunity for students to earn service hours while giving back to the community in a fun way. There is no limit on the number of volunteers accepted. The Great Pumpkin Fest includes a costume contest, horse-and-wagon rides, petting zoos, a not-so-scary haunted trail, crafts, games and more. There is no cost to attend. To learn more about volunteering, call 513-759-7301 or visit www.WestChesterOH.org.

RASKALS (Random Acts of Simple Kindness Affecting Local Seniors) is now accepting volunteers for its fall clean-up effort on Saturday, Nov. 12. This West Chester Township program is in its 20th year and needs volunteers more than ever. Volunteer teams of all sizes are matched with local senior citizens to help them with simple outdoor chores such as raking leaves, trimming shrubs and other tasks. Volunteers must be at least 10 years of age or accompanied by an adult if younger. Each RASKALS event benefits more than 100 local seniors with hundreds of volunteers offering helping hands. The program helps seniors remain more self-sufficient while developing meaningful relationships between volunteers and their clients. To sign up as a volunteer, call 513-759-7312 or visit www.WestChesterOH.org.



Be part of the historic 2016 Presidential Election!

Don't miss out on the fun and excitement of working this historic Presidential Election in November. Contribute to

our Democracy by becoming a Poll Worker and helping your friends and neighbors vote. You will earn \$165 while making a difference in your community. Go to www.butlercountyelections.org to complete a short application or call the Butler County Board of Elections at (513) 785-5711.



Butler County Historical Society

BCHS is looking for volunteers in a number of different areas. We are always in need of people interested in doing research on a variety of Butler County history topics, as well as assisting others in genealogical research. Tour guides are also needed on a regular basis, as well as for special events. We are also in need of a receptionist/clerk for greeting visitors as they arrive, answering the telephone, and general office work. We are also looking for someone to assist with inventory and entering the collection into a computer program. If you are interested, please contact Kathy Creighton at 513-896-9930 or email bcomuseum@fuse.net.



American Red Cross

Greater Cincinnati-Dayton Region

The American Red Cross is looking for volunteers to help on Disaster Action Team (DAT). Volunteers would respond to local fires and disasters in Butler County. When there is a fire and someone is home, the fire department calls the Red Cross to send volunteers to help the family. To help someone who may have just lost everything is priceless. You will find this a very rewarding project that actually doesn't take up much of your time. There is training involved and you will always go out in a team. To sign up to volunteer go to www.redcross.org and sign up to Volunteer for the Disaster Response or for more

information you can call Tammy Simendinger at 513-579-3031.



Cedar Village Retirement Community

Thinking of you! Is your business, school group or youth organization looking for a project to do? Cedar Village is looking for **young artists to create handmade cards for our residents**. Each morning we'd like to give a card to our residents to brighten their day, put a smile on their face and let them know that someone is thinking of them. If you are interested in participating in this project please email dslovin@cedarvillage.org for more information.

Opening Minds Through Art The training for the Fall semester of the Opening Minds through Art program at Cedar Village will be held on September 9th and 16th. The sessions with the residents will begin on September 23rd. All sessions will be held on Friday mornings. Volunteers must attend the training prior to the beginning of the semester. This is a wonderful **program which pairs a volunteer with one resident for the semester**. No prior art knowledge or expertise is required. It's about the relationship between you and a resident with dementia. Training is provided. Email dslovin@cedarvillage.org if you are interested and would like further details.



YWCA Hamilton

The YWCA Hamilton (**244 Dayton St.**) is looking for volunteer to help with:

Girls Inc. Afterschool Mentor: Volunteers to help in Girls Incorporated, a national non-profit that inspires girls to be strong, smart and bold. We are currently looking for afterschool mentors. Afterschool mentors will provide homework assistance to girls in grades 3-6 and help with lessons, games, and activities that: promote confidence, encourage girls to set achievable goals, explore their worlds, and dream beyond their realities.

Time commitment: 4-6pm, 1-2 days a week when school is in session. Begins September 2016-May 2017. *Location:* Elementary Schools in Butler County. *Expectations:* Create a positive climate, provide support, relate and communicate with youth, knowledgeable about contemporary adolescent culture, willing to learn from youth, friendly, appropriate role model, sensitive to group dynamics. *All volunteers must pass a background check*

(provided by the YWCA) and attend training/orientation at the YWCA.

Girls Inc. Workshop Presenter: Volunteers to help in Girls Incorporated, a national non-profit that inspires girls to be strong, smart and bold. We are currently looking for workshop presenters. Girls Inc. has a variety of workshops that offer solutions to the unique challenges girls face; workshops target girls ages 9-12 and 15-18. Workshop presenters will work to schedule and present workshops that average 3 hours. Workshops may be split into two days or offered in full. *Time commitment:* 4-8 hours each month with a commitment of at least 6 months. Hours are flexible Monday-Saturday. Begins September 2016-May 2017. *Location:* Various Sites in Butler County. *Expectations:* Create a positive climate, provide support, relate and communicate with youth, knowledgeable about contemporary adolescent culture, willing to learn from youth, friendly, appropriate role model, sensitive to group dynamics. *All volunteers must pass a background check (provided by the YWCA) and attend training/orientation at the YWCA.*

Volunteer Front Desk Receptionist: This involves answering calls, light clerical, and greeting people as they enter the building. May require signing privacy and confidentiality form.

Volunteer Maintenance/Custodial: We are down a team mate. Our maintenance guy could sure use a hand until we can get new staff hired. Sweeping cleaning-up. Some maintenance tasks like painting as well.

Marketing Committee Members: We are looking for individuals who are willing to participate in the active marketing of the YWCA. This will require help with events from concept to execution. Possibilities are endless, from creating materials such as videos, and other digital media, to fliers, to social media, to Mail Chimp/Constant Contact monthly emails, quarterly newsletters mailed planning, to working events with other volunteers and staff.

Fund Development Committee Members: We are looking for individuals who are willing to participate in the active fund raising efforts on behalf of the YWCA. The possibilities are endless here too. We have some fund raisers already in the planning process, and there is room for more. We need help throughout the process. No specific expertise is required.

Board Members: The YWCA is looking for empowered women to help lead our organization as members of the Board of Directors.

If you are interested please contact Reva Evans revans@ywcahamilton.com or Ben Powers at bpowers@ywcahamilton.com 513-856-9800



Focus on Youth

Do you have a heart for working with children? Do you want to help support our foster parents but have only a few hours a month to give? We need volunteers to help provide on-site childcare for foster children during our monthly foster parent meetings, occurring on the 3rd Thursday of every month from 9:30 am–11:30 pm and from 6:00 pm–8:00 pm in the West Chester/ Cincinnati area. This commitment is only a few hours per month, but is invaluable to our foster parents to help them receive the training they need and allow them to relax for a few hours. After you successfully complete the approval process (may include background checks) you will be eligible to care for our children. Focus on Youth, Inc. would love for you to join our team. Call us today at [513-644-1030](tel:513-644-1030) to find out more about how you can help. (Childcare volunteers need to be older than 16 years of age to provide childcare.).

October 21-22 Focus on Youth, Inc. is our 3rd annual Adoption Conference in Sharonville, Ohio. We hold this conference for our caregivers who serve one of our communities most vulnerable populations, children in the child welfare system. We are in need of volunteers both days to help provide childcare for children. The volunteers would be asked to commit to at least a 4 hour time span i.e. 8:30-12:30 or Noon- 4:00. We need 10-12 volunteers each day, for each shift. Children will be sorted in classrooms with appropriate ratios, with planned activities, and food will be provided.

Supports to Encourage Low-income Families

SELF offers utility assistance, free home repairs & mobility modifications and supportive, educational services designed to help low-income individuals achieve long-term self-sufficiency. SELF is the community action agency for Butler County with offices in Hamilton, Middletown and West Chester with office hours in Oxford.

Build-up Academy Advisory Board Members (Quarterly) -

Help support SELF's newest program Build-up Academy that provides free construction training and employment training for low-income young adults. SELF is seeking volunteers who can help build the program. We are looking for members who can connect us to additional employers in the community who will hire our graduates, help teach classes, volunteer at hands-on work sites and assist with resume writing and mock interviews.

Dress For Success Personal Shoppers (Quarterly) - Help suit a deserving client with an interview outfit that will make her feel great! SELF is seeking personal shoppers to help with Dress For Success Mobile events, these events provide work appropriate attire for clients who are going back to work or have gained full-time employment. SELF also accepts donations of clothing, purses, shoes and accessories that are donated to these events, which are held 4xs per year.

HR & Financial Professionals (Year Round) - There are guest speaker opportunities for professionals to help educate SELF clients in areas of financial literacy, starting a business and employment. We are also looking for volunteers for our JOBS NOW! employment classes to help with resumes and mock interview practice on **Tuesdays & Thursdays (Hamilton or Middletown)**.

Neighbors Who Care: Home Repair Initiative (Year Round)

- SELF provides free, community-driven home repairs and mobility modifications to low-income Butler County homeowners who are physically and financially unable to make the repairs themselves. SELF needs volunteers to help with interior and exterior painting, power-washing, construction of wheelchair ramps, minor drywall repairs, installation of smoke and carbon monoxide detectors and repairs to porches and roofs. Projects are available every Tuesday, Thursday and on the second Saturday of each month from 9am-1pm. We have flexibility to accommodate other days as needed. Each summer, SELF partners with national and local community groups to host 3 concentrated "Home Repair Blitz Weeks". SELF can also always use donations of home improvement store gift cards to purchase supplies from places like Home Depot, Lowes, Menards or Walmart.

Welcome Home Baskets (Year Round) - Welcome Home Kits are created for our clients who are in the process of obtaining permanent housing or are given as "raffle" prizes at community social service fairs. Volunteers create these kits by filling a laundry basket with household items. This kit could include basic household items such as kitchen towels, dish soap, bath towels and wash cloths, toothpaste, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, cleaning supplies, etc. We are also in need of Kroger or Walmart gift cards to add to these baskets in \$25 denominations.

Contact Rebecca Palen for more details at 513-820-5010 or Rpalen@selfhelps.org.

Women Helping Women of Butler County

We are looking for volunteers to serve survivors of sexual assault! Volunteers must be over 18, attend our 40 hour training and then sign up for a minimum of 2 on call shifts per month. Volunteers will be partnered and respond to hospital calls in

Butler County if someone has been sexually assaulted and go empower, support and provide resources for the survivor. Contact Staff.whw@gmail.com for more information and application.

The Center for Family Solutions

One in 3 women will experience domestic violence in her lifetime. Make a difference - volunteer with The Center for Family Solutions. Volunteer victim advocates assist victims of domestic violence with applying for Civil Protection Orders (CPO); provide crisis intervention services and emotion support; accompany victims to court for CPO hearings; assist victims with court preparation, safety planning and resource referrals. All victim advocate volunteers will complete a comprehensive 40-hour training program that includes classroom instruction, online learning and direct observation / shadowing. No prior experience required!

Contact Erin: cfs.erinf@gmail.com or 513-896-2350. www.centerforfamilysolutions.org.

Animal Friends Humane Society

Animal lovers needed for walks and cuddles! Animal Friends Humane Society is looking for caring individuals 16yrs+ who would like to spend a few hours a week playing with and caring for shelter animals. There is no set schedule required and volunteers can come anytime during open shelter hours, (M,T,F,Sa,Su 11 am to 4:30 pm & W, Th 1 pm-7 pm). Contact volunteer connection [513-867-5727](tel:513-867-5727) (main).

JustServe

JustServe is a free website that matches faith, nonprofit, community and governmental organizations that need volunteers with volunteers willing to help. It is an easy way for volunteers to search for opportunities that resonate with their interests. For information about projects in our area visit: www.justserve.org and enter your zip code. Many of the items on this list have further information on the JustServe website.



Rethreads

Rethreads, a free clothing store in Fairfield staffed solely by volunteers, needs help sorting clothing every Saturday from 10 AM to 12 PM. Rethreads is located at 1425 Nilles

Road, Fairfield, OH 45014 in the old Fairfield Church of the Nazarene building.

Clothing is free to clients who come to the store on four days each year (one for each season). Quarterly giveaways typically draw between 200 and 300 clients to be shopping in our store that day. Rethreads can arrange to have groups volunteer at other times. Contact Fairfield Church of the Nazarene (513) 549-6394 or Michael Albrecht (michaelalbrecht@gmail.com).



Butler Soil and Water Conservation District

Help cut down on pollution and add "Do Not Pollute" labels to storm drains in your neighborhood. Most storm drains locally are not connected to water treatment facilities. Instead, anything that washes down a storm drain ends up in our creeks, including litter, oil, pet waste, yard waste, etc. We are looking for volunteers, either individuals or groups, to label storm drains with "Do Not Pollute: drains to creek" decals. You can choose your location, day and the amount of time you wish to spend on the project. The weather is the only limiting factor as the labels cannot be placed when the ground is wet. Contact: Beth Downs at downsea@butlercountyohio.org 513-887-3720. For more conservation volunteer opportunities, visit the volunteer page on the district's website at <http://www.butlerswcd.org/>

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Community
Volunteer Force

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[Facebook.com/communityvolunteerforce](https://www.facebook.com/communityvolunteerforce)

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