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but contact the organizations listed for the most up-to-date information.*

Through January 1 (select dates) — WPS Garden of Lights

Various shifts from 4:00-9:00 p.m.

Green Bay Botanical Garden is seeking volunteers to assist during their Garden of Lights event. Duties include controlling the incoming and outgoing flow of visitors in parking areas, welcoming guests and scanning tickets at admissions, and serving beverages and snacks at concessions. Masking is required for volunteers working indoors. Volunteers working more than a four-hour shift will receive a Garden of Lights admission pass for a future date this season. Volunteers working a partial shift can walk the Garden before or after their shift, dependent on time. Individuals pouring beverages must be age 13 or older, the majority of the remaining roles require age 18 or older. Visit gbbg.volunteerhub.com/ to complete a volunteer application or **contact** Diane Leibham with questions at 920-491-3691 x131 or dleibham@gbbg.org.

January 24-27 — Mediation Training Seminar

Sessions: 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. (January 24-26) and 8:30-11:30 a.m. (January 27)

The Mediation Center of Greater Green Bay is a non-profit organization that has provided dispute resolution services with trained volunteers since 1998. They mediate a variety of issues, including small claims, eviction, and family issues involving minor children. This seminar will encourage and train participants to become volunteer mediators. The training program was developed by and meets the recommended training curriculum requirements of the Wisconsin Association of Mediators. A certificate of completion will be provided to those who complete the classroom training. Topics include theories of conflict management, a mediation demonstration, coached role plays, and exploring specific types of mediation. Location: 2611 Libal St., Green Bay. **Contact** Brian Nelsen or Anita or Vicki at 920-438-7067 or director@mediationggb.org.

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January 29 — Winterfest

Saturday, January 29: 9:00-11:00 a.m. (set-up), 10:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m. (soup), 10:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (activity monitor), 11:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. (crossing guard), 2:45-4:30 p.m. (take-down)

On Broadway would like volunteers at their Winterfest event for the following duties: set-up and take-down, soup samples (handle soup purchases and monitor the area for clean-up), activity monitor (supervise outdoor activities, which will be moved indoors if weather is bad), and crossing guard (help families cross the street safely throughout the event). **Contact** Quincy Fassbender at 920-655-7525 or quincy@onbroadway.org.

Ongoing Opportunities

Activity Blanket Makers

Flexible shifts

Unity Hospice is seeking volunteers to craft activity blankets from their homes for hospice patients with Alzheimer's disease. All supplies are provided. **Contact** Leah Seibel at 920-338-1111 or lseibel@unityhospice.org.

Garden Blitz Volunteers

Flexible shifts

New Leaf Foods is looking for volunteers ages 18 and older in a variety of roles leading up to their annual Garden Blitz event, which occurs in May. During this event, raised garden beds are installed at various locations around the community. These gardens help ensure nutritious, healthy food is available to individuals throughout Green Bay. Volunteers are needed in these roles:

- As members of the volunteer team, including recruiter, trainer, database manager, communications, and recognition
- As garden mentors to guide new garden box owners on successful gardening techniques

Contact Tanya Westmoreland at 920-322-5489 or gbgardenblitz@gmail.com.

Social Media Intern

Flexible schedule, approximately two hours per week

The Spine Project is looking for an unpaid intern with strong understanding of digital media. Duties include blogging, social media posting, and online promotion of events. **Contact** Dr. Julie Wyss at 920-468-4199 or admin@thespineproject.org.

Guest Experience Volunteers

Flexible shifts, typically a few hours from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 4:00-8:00 p.m.

Altrusa House would like volunteers ages 16 and older to perform a variety of fun activities with the goal being to strengthen Altrusa's 'home-like' atmosphere. This position will help enhance the experience of their guests who are going through medical crises. Activities include (but are not limited to) assembling care packages, visiting with guests in common areas, baking cookies and snacks, and distributing 'thinking of you' cards to guests.

Contact Annie Bongiorno at 920-884-6677 or annie.bongiorno@altrusahousegreenbay.org.

Grief Group Nights

Monthly, 5:30-8:00 p.m.

Hope's House is seeking volunteers ages 18 and older to help kids ages 4-18 with projects and help facilitate grief groups. Training will be provided for all volunteers, and a background check will be done. **Contact** Gina Peotter at 920-737-3202 or ginapeotter@hopeshousewi.com.

Newcomers Neighbors Assistance

Various flexible shifts

Green Bay Area Newcomers Neighbors is looking for unpaid interns or volunteers ages 16 or 17 and older for the following roles:

- **Newsletter:** Help the community learn more about our area's history and upcoming events. Duties include doing weekly research to find a quote, history or fun facts, an activity, recipes, and a joke, as well as creating a proof one to two weeks ahead of publication. Information on upcoming events will be provided. Constant Contact is the software used and training will be provided. Volunteer can do the research AND input into Constant Contact or just one or the other. Two to three hours per week. Minimum age: 17.
- **LinkedIn:** Assist in writing promotional material with the marketing team. Primary responsibilities include researching and writing articles for social media and other duties as needed. All work can be done from home. Should have enthusiasm for enlightening the public about events in the community. School credit service time can be arranged. Five to 15 hours per month.
- **Photography/videography:** Assist in creating promotional material with the marketing team. Primary responsibilities include taking high-quality photos and/or videos for the organization's social media, including YouTube and Instagram. Photography and/or videography and editing skills are preferred. Some work can be done from home, but most projects will be done in public settings such as parks, downtown, etc. School credit service time can be arranged. Five to 15 hours per month or more is expected.

Contact Joleen Allard at 920-680-7437 or joleen@greenbaynewcomers.com.

General Assistance

Various shifts, 1-5 hours per week as needed

The Art Garage would like volunteers ages 16 and older to help with ongoing duties such as outdoor trash pick-up and sweeping, light shoveling and salting, cleaning, set-up/take-down of events, organizing inventory, etc. **Contact** Tania Spofford at 920-448-6800 or info@theartgarage.org.

Reading Coach Volunteers

Various times during the school day

It only takes an hour a week to make a difference to a child. Research shows that third graders who have proficient reading skills are nearly five times more likely to graduate high school than their peers who do not; yet in many of our area schools, over 70% of third graders test below proficient for on-track readiness in English Language Arts. Reading Coaches for Kids is a volunteer tutoring program designed to increase students' reading abilities and academic success. Dedicated, caring volunteers ages 18 and older provide consistency and educational support by reading individually with students. This is done during the school day in K-5 classrooms or after school programs throughout Brown County, helping students improve their reading skills. Reading Coaches are currently volunteering in person in the Green Bay school district (though with the unpredictability of COVID status, this can always change). Masks are required for all students, staff, and visitors in all Green Bay district buildings. Visit volunteergb.org/programs/reading-coaches/ or **contact** Deb Johnson with questions at 920-600-0184 or deb@volunteergb.org.

Volunteer Drivers

Weekdays, flexible four- to five-hour morning or afternoon shifts

Curative Connections has an urgent need for volunteers ages 18 and older to drive seniors and people with disabilities to and from vital appointments and offer door-to-door assistance as needed. Curative provides vehicles, gas, and insurance. No CDL is required. Volunteers must have a good driving record, and a background check will be performed. **Contact** Tina Whetung at 920-227-4272 or twhetung@curativeconnections.org.

Clean Team or Adopt-a-Block Volunteers

Flexible shifts (minimum commitment of two hours per week)

Downtown Green Bay Inc. & Olde Main Street Inc. invite volunteers to help keep downtown looking great while getting in steps and checking out the new businesses in the districts. Volunteers younger than 14 must be accompanied by an adult. Visit downtowngreenbay.com/business/employment-opportunities for program information. **Contact** Sally Ebeling at 920-437-1824 or sally@downtowngreenbay.com.

Blood Drive Registration

Various days and times

The Community Blood Center has opportunities for volunteers ages 18 and older who enjoy interacting with people while assisting in life-saving work. Duties include greeting and checking in donors at blood drives, explaining the registration paperwork, and helping donors get to the screening area. Orientation and training are provided, and there is no minimum or maximum number of hours for volunteering. Drives take place in Appleton, Oshkosh, Little Chute, and other locations throughout Northeastern Wisconsin. **Contact** Heather Du Vall at 920-560-6632 or hduvall@communityblood.org.

Marketing and Social Media Intern

Weekdays, five hours per week between 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Celebration Academy Grassroots Wellness would like an unpaid intern with strong knowledge and understanding of digital media, including various social platforms. Duties include monitoring and posting on social media networks such as Facebook, LinkedIn, etc., to promote events, projects, and donor and branding components, as well as working with newsletters on their website. Visit 9thstwellness.com/ for more information or **contact** Karen Stoehr with questions at 920-490-9699 or email@9thstwellness.com.

Resale Shoppe Volunteers

Weekdays, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., 1:00-4:00 p.m., or 4:00-6:00 p.m. and Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.

Unity Hospice Resale Shoppe is looking for volunteers ages 18 and older to accept, clean, and sort donations; price and stage the sales floor; or work the cash register on the sales floor. **Contact** Alicia Kinney at 920-339-5501 or akinney@unityhospice.org.

Pals Program Volunteers

Various shifts

Brown County Health and Human Services is in need of volunteer mentors ages 18 and older to spend time in a recreational or learning activity with a child, age 3 or older, who has been referred by Brown County Child Protective Services. Mentors help the child adjust to the separation or loss of a parent, enhance their self-esteem and confidence, and help them learn new skills. Matches are invited to attend a fun activity each month that is free of charge. Matches are based on compatibility and can continue for as long as both parties are interested, though it is hoped that volunteers would engage with their Pal for a minimum of one year. **Contact** Jenna Durkee at 920-448-6023 or jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov.

Sidewalking Volunteers

Monday-Thursday, various shifts between 10:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

Exceptional Equestrians is looking for volunteers ages 14 and older to assist during riding sessions. Individuals would start in the role of side walker for a minimum of two weeks. Volunteers with horsemanship experience can complete the horse lead assessment to become horse leaders. Sidewalking duties include: interacting with clients; assisting during mount and dismount; and assisting the client during activities such as grooming the horse, playing games, and other tasks. Training is provided. **Contact** Molly Kafka at 920-347-3174 or mkafka@exceptionalequestrians.org.

Shelter Volunteers

Daily, various shifts between 8:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.

The Wisconsin Humane Society-Green Bay Campus is looking for volunteers to help support the shelter. Roles include adoption greeters, event volunteers, and off-site adoption center volunteers. Individuals ages 13-15 must be accompanied by an adult; those 16 and older may volunteer on their own. Visit www.wihumane.org/volunteer/greenbay to learn more about the program and how to become a volunteer or **contact** Liz Driss with questions at 414-431-6103 or ldriss@wihumane.org.

Personalized Coaching Volunteers

Schedule depends on clients' availability

Brain Center of Green Bay is in need of volunteers to assist with its coaching program. Medical, social work or nursing backgrounds are preferred. Individuals with experience in caregiving and/or working with individuals with brain disease, disorders or conditions are also encouraged to participate. Coaches will receive training and be connected with a mentor.

Contact Christine Vanden Hoogen at 920-393-4084 or chrivandenhoogen@braincentergb.org.

Meal Hero Volunteers

Various days: 4:00-7:30 p.m. (includes clean-up)

Altrusa House is in need of groups of 3-5 people to provide a home-cooked meal for families staying at the home. Volunteers will provide, prepare (onsite or off), serve, and share a meal with the guests. The amount of servings needed depends upon occupancy, and their guest experience manager will coordinate with groups to ensure there is plenty to go around. Volunteers under 17 must have guardian supervision. **Contact** Annie Bongiorno at 920-884-6677 or annie.bongiorno@altrusahousegreenbay.org.

Knit or Crochet Volunteers

Flexible schedule

Unity Hospice would like volunteers to knit or crochet red, white, and blue lap blankets for veterans on hospice. **Contact** Kelly Lautenslager at 920-338-1111 or klautenslager@unityhospice.org.

Marketing Intern

Approximately 10-12 hours per month

The Spine Project would like an unpaid intern who can participate in various stages of print and online marketing campaigns in coordination with their social media team. Brand awareness and donor recognition are key components for this position, and connection and an outgoing personality are crucial for this person's success. **Contact** Dr. Julie Wyss at 920-468-4199 or admin@thespineproject.org.