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**THE VOLUNTEER CENTER**  
of BROWN COUNTY

# The Volunteer Times

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## The Volunteer Center of Brown County is hiring!

We are seeking candidates for two roles:

Executive Director • Part-Time Administrative Assistant

Please visit [volunteergb.org/about-us/join-our-team/](http://volunteergb.org/about-us/join-our-team/) to learn more.



*Note: Information was accurate at time of publication, but contact the organizations listed for the most up-to-date information.*

## February 2 — Corps Community Night

**Friday, February 2: 5:15-6:15 p.m. (activities) and 5:15-8:00 p.m. (concessions)**

The Salvation Army of Greater Green Bay needs volunteers to be activities and concessions attendants. Individuals ages 13-15 must be accompanied by an adult. **Contact** Michaela Koepf at 920-593-2375 or [michaela.koepf@usc.salvationarmy.org](mailto:michaela.koepf@usc.salvationarmy.org).

## February 2-3 — 2024 Seroogy's Valentine Run

**Friday and Saturday, February 2-3: various shifts**

Runaway Shoes and the Seroogy's Valentine Run are including Golden House as a charity partner for this 5K/15K that starts and finishes at Seroogy's Chocolates in De Pere. Volunteers are needed for various duties. If you sign up at the links provided, please list Golden House as the sign-up agency.

- Course volunteers: <https://bit.ly/3NyBSmP>
- Water stop volunteers: <https://bit.ly/3v9rkEI>
- Packet pick-up, Friday: <https://bit.ly/3RvRKHL>
- Packet pick-up and race finish, Saturday: <https://bit.ly/3tt6hvW>

**Contact** Jodi Mikulsky with questions at 920-435-0100 or [jodi@goldenhousegb.org](mailto:jodi@goldenhousegb.org)

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## February 2 and March 19 and 27 — CASA Youth Meals

**Friday, February 2: 11:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday, March 19 and Wednesday, March 27: 5:00 p.m.**

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Brown County invites you, your group or a local restaurant to sponsor and provide a meal for CASA youth as they learn about skills to transition into independent living at the CASA office. CASA is a volunteer-based nonprofit that provides a voice for children/youth who have experienced abuse and/or neglect and are under the legal protection of the court system. Each meal helps fuel CASA youth to successfully learn independent living skills and finish the day strong. Visit <https://bit.ly/4966Kml> to sign up or **contact** Eileen Metzler with questions at 920-393-9771 or [eileen@casabc.org](mailto:eileen@casabc.org).

## February 3 — Café Crawl

**Saturday, February 3: 8:00-10:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m.-12:15 p.m.**

During this event, ticketholders can enjoy coffees, teas, and tasty treats from local businesses as a trolley takes them through downtown Green Bay. Each of the 10 participating cafes will need two volunteers ages 16 and older to punch 'passports' and assist as needed. Visit <https://bit.ly/3S18Iy5> for more information on the event. **Contact** Jenny VandenLangenberg at 920-617-7087 or [jenny@downtowngreenbay.com](mailto:jenny@downtowngreenbay.com).

## February 3 and 18 — Seed Packing

**Saturday, February 3: 9:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Sunday, February 18: 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m.**

New Leaf Foods would like volunteers to assist with cleaning and packing seeds for the Brown County Seed Library inventory. Locations: Brown County Central Library (February 3) and UWGB STEM Center, Room 136 (February 18). **Contact** Melissa Wass at 920-246-4985 or [seedsaver@newmastergardeners.org](mailto:seedsaver@newmastergardeners.org).

## February 13 and 29 and March 12 and 28 — CASA Volunteer Virtual Info Sessions

**Tuesdays, February 13 and March 12: 5:30-6:00 p.m. and Thursdays, February 29 and March 28: 12:00-12:30 p.m.**

All it takes is one person. Can you lend a voice? Volunteers ages 21 and older are invited to join Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA) of Brown County for a virtual information session to learn how. CASA provides a voice for abused and neglected children who are under court protection. Children with a CASA volunteer are more likely to report higher levels of hope, do better in school, and achieve permanency in a safe home more quickly. From CASA volunteer Ronnie: "It's so much more than an hour a week. It's a change in perspective in all areas of life and growing as an individual alongside your youth." **Contact** Eileen Metzler at 920-393-9771 or [eileen@casabc.org](mailto:eileen@casabc.org).

## February 19 — Reading Coaches Initial Training

### **Monday, February 19: 1:00-3:00 p.m.**

Reading Coaches for Kids is a volunteer tutoring program designed to increase students' reading abilities and literacy skills by training and placing volunteers who read individually with students in area schools. Volunteers ages 18 and older are placed in kindergarten through 5th grade classrooms for one hour a week during the regular school day. Training and ongoing support are provided. The Reading Coaches program is especially looking for volunteers ages 55+ to be a part of the Retired/Senior Volunteer Program to provide intergenerational experiences for the children. Once trained, tutoring takes place at various times during the school day, and a minimum commitment of one hour per week during the school year is requested. Training location: Volunteer Center of Brown County, 984 9th St., Green Bay. Visit [volunteergb.org/programs/reading-coaches](http://volunteergb.org/programs/reading-coaches) for more information and an application or **contact** Nancy Pfankuch with questions at 920-600-0184 or [nancy@volunteergb.org](mailto:nancy@volunteergb.org).

## February 23 — Salvation Army Super Senior Day

### **Friday, February 23: 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 11:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.**

The Salvation Army of Greater Green Bay is looking for volunteers ages 16 and older to assist seniors with crafts or help call bingo. Alternate available tasks include light meal prep, serving lunch, clearing tables, and running the dishwasher. **Contact** Michaela Koepp at 920-593-2375 or [michaela.koepp@usc.salvationarmy.org](mailto:michaela.koepp@usc.salvationarmy.org).

# Looking Ahead

## March 11-May 22 — Volunteer Coaches

### **Mondays and/or Wednesdays, March 11-May 22: 2:30-4:00 p.m.**

Girls on the Run is a youth development program that combines social/emotional learning with physical activity. Running is integrated into lessons to empower youth to feel joyful, healthy, and confident. Volunteer coaches ages 16 and older lead lessons from a research-based curriculum book. Curriculum, activities, supplies, and training is provided. They are seeking volunteers specifically for Howe Community School for the spring season. **Contact** Kathy Olson at 920-209-5866 or [kathy.olson@girlsontherun.org](mailto:kathy.olson@girlsontherun.org).

# Ongoing Opportunities

## Volunteer Drivers

### **Flexible shifts depending on volunteers' schedule**

Brown County Health and Human Services relies heavily on the assistance of their volunteer drivers (who must be age 18 or older). Those willing to help typically assist with transporting children and families safely to and from authorized visits and appointments. Examples of types of assistance include:

- Bringing children that reside in out-of-home care to scheduled visits with their parents
- Transporting a family lacking a safe/stable vehicle to an appointment
- Picking a child up from school.

**Contact** Judy Tilque at 920-621-4160 or [judith.tilque@browncountywi.gov](mailto:judith.tilque@browncountywi.gov).

## Data Entry

### **Flexible shifts, Monday-Thursday between 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

Achieve Brown County is looking for one or more dedicated volunteers ages 18 and older who can complete data entry work for their small team. This person would update information and enter donor data into their database. Volunteer should be comfortable working on a laptop.

**Contact** Michelle Korth at 920-593-1055 or [mkorth@achievebrowncounty.org](mailto:mkorth@achievebrowncounty.org).

## Salvation Army Pantry Distribution

### **Mondays-Thursdays, 12:45-2:00 p.m.**

Salvation Army of Greater Green Bay would like volunteers ages 16 and older to help serve groceries to those in need out of the pantry at 616 Union Ct., Green Bay. Please dress for the weather as you will be indoors and outdoors. Light lifting, bending, twisting, and standing required. Visit <https://bttr.im/57b7r> to sign up. **Contact** Michaela Koepp at 920-593-2375 or [michaela.koepp@usc.salvationarmy.org](mailto:michaela.koepp@usc.salvationarmy.org).

## Animal Counselors and Greeters

### **Various two-hour shifts between 1:00-6:00 p.m.**

The Wisconsin Humane Society-Green Bay Campus is looking for volunteers to help greet people and to help with adoptions at the main shelter and at their off-site adoption center. Individuals ages 13-15 must be accompanied by an adult. Visit [www.wihumane.org/volunteer/greenbay](http://www.wihumane.org/volunteer/greenbay) to learn more about their program and how to become a volunteer or **contact** Katie Gut with questions at 920-469-3110 or [kgut@wihumane.org](mailto:kgut@wihumane.org).

## Thrift Store Volunteers

**Weekdays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. and 12:00-3:00 p.m.; Tuesdays and Wednesdays, 3:00-6:30 p.m.; Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

De Pere Christian Outreach Thrift Store is looking for friendly, reliable volunteers ages 14 and older to help with various departments, including cashiering/bagging, intake (accepting and processing donations), clothing, domestics, households, toys, seasonal, books, and music and media. **Contact** Amy Murphy at 920-655-5758 or [amurphydpc@outlook.com](mailto:amurphydpc@outlook.com).

## Leaders, Assistant Leaders, and Troop Helpers

**Flexible days and times from September-June, typically 3-5 hours per month**

Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes invites volunteers ages 18 and older to help build girls of courage, confidence, and character who make the world a better place. Volunteers are needed throughout the Green Bay area to help girls explore their world and improve their communities. They offer training and kits to make leading simple. Kick off a brand new troop or volunteer to help an existing troop. **Contact** Michaela Hofer at 920-955-3422 or [mhofer@gsnwgl.org](mailto:mhofer@gsnwgl.org).

## Receptionists

**Mondays, 2:00-4:00 p.m.; Tuesdays, 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; and Wednesdays, 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.**

Freedom House Ministries is looking for volunteers ages 16 and older to act as their receptionist. Duties would include answering phone calls and greeting residents, donors, and volunteers. May include helping donors bring donations into the building and filling out screening forms for those seeking shelter. Training is provided. **Contact** Jenna Robbins at 920-432-4646 or [jennarobbins@freedomhouseministries.org](mailto:jennarobbins@freedomhouseministries.org).

## Family Interaction Volunteers

**Flexible shifts, but a three-month commitment is requested to limit the number of volunteers to whom children are exposed**

Brown County Volunteer Services is seeking volunteers ages 18 and older to assist the department by providing supervision to children that are in out-of-home care during scheduled visits with their parents. The assigned volunteer is responsible for providing a safe, physically and emotionally secure environment during the visit. Visits typically occur at the Family Center or the department. The volunteer's time commitment is flexible and determined by the hours they want to work and the available assignments. Typically, the volunteer supervises the same family on the same day and time each week. **Contact** Judy Tilque at 920-621-4160 or [judith.tilque@browncountywi.gov](mailto:judith.tilque@browncountywi.gov).

## Home Preparation Volunteers

### **Flexible shifts between 7:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m., based on volunteers' schedule**

Ecumenical Partnership for Housing provides homes for families facing homelessness. When they have a family exit their program, they need volunteers to help get the home ready to house the next family. In this process, they go into the home, clean each room, and get it reset for the next family. Volunteers will be cleaning, doing light laundry, and setting up homes in the Brown County area. Individuals under 16 must be accompanied by someone over the age of 18. **Contact** Lacy Hansen at 920-655-6323 or [lacyh@ephgb.org](mailto:lacyh@ephgb.org).

## Science and Engineering Kit Refurbishment

### **Flexible shifts between 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

As a volunteer ages 16 and older with the Einstein Project, you will be involved in refurbishing STEM kits for classroom use. By refurbishing these kits, you play a vital role in ensuring that students have access to high-quality educational resources. Your tasks may include cleaning, repairing, and organizing materials, ensuring that each kit is in excellent condition for students to learn from. Your attention to detail and dedication will directly contribute to the success of STEM education in our local schools. **Contact** Elizabeth Mayenschein at 920-884-8800 or [elizabeth@einsteinproject.org](mailto:elizabeth@einsteinproject.org).

## Various Volunteer Roles

### **Various days and times**

Catholic Charities would like volunteers ages 18 and older to assist in several different roles.

- **Spanish-English interpreter:** Catholic Charities Financial Health is seeking a volunteer for occasional help interpreting at Spanish-speaking financial appointments. Days/times can be flexible to coordinate with the schedules of everyone involved.
- **Guest presenter:** The individual volunteering in this role will give financial education presentations (such as teaching classes) on various financial literacy topics within the community. There is a great need for financial literacy all throughout the diocese. Training provided as needed.
- **ASL interpreter:** Catholic Charities Financial Health seeks a volunteer who will be needed occasionally to interpret ASL (American Sign Language) for client appointments. Days/times can be flexible to coordinate with the schedules of everyone involved.

**Contact** Kory Krauss at 920-272-8252 or [kkrauss@gbdioc.org](mailto:kkrauss@gbdioc.org).

## Dog Park Maintenance

### **Flexible shifts, no more than an hour**

On Broadway, Inc. is looking for volunteers to help maintain the Vital Essentials Dog Park in the Broadway District. Use provided equipment to pick up trash and clean up waste. In the winter months, shovel snow off the sidewalk and off the walkway to the entrance. **Contact** Betsy Sorensen at 763-567-3631 or [betsy@onbroadway.org](mailto:betsy@onbroadway.org).

## Resale Shoppe Volunteers

**Mondays-Thursdays, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., 1:00-4:00 p.m., and 4:00-6:00 p.m.; Fridays, 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. and 1:00-4:00 p.m.; Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.**

Unity Resale Shoppe, a part of Unity Hospice, would like volunteers to help with various roles, including accepting, cleaning, and sorting donations; pricing merchandise and staging it on the sales floor; and working the cash register. Volunteers ages 16-17 must have parental consent. **Contact** Paakou Vang at 920-339-5501 or [pvang@unityhospice.org](mailto:pvang@unityhospice.org).

## Outreach Volunteers

### Various days and times

Help fight fraud in the Medicare system and protect beneficiaries from being victims of scams. If you are age 50 or older, you're invited to join the Senior Medicare Patrol volunteer team. Through outreach, they educate Medicare beneficiaries, their families, and caregivers on how to prevent healthcare fraud and provide tips on how they can protect themselves. SMP volunteers staff booths at health fairs/senior expos/resource events or give small group presentations. Make a significant difference in your community by stepping forward and taking a stand against fraud. **Contact** Molly Kelly at 608-335-8453 or [molly.kelly@gwaar.org](mailto:molly.kelly@gwaar.org).

## Side Walking and/or Horse Leading

**Mondays, 9:00 a.m.-6:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, 11:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.; Wednesdays, 9:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; Thursdays, 10:30 a.m.-7:00 p.m.; and some Friday mornings**

Exceptional Equestrians needs volunteers ages 14 and older for two roles:

- Side walkers walk alongside the horse and rider and assist in keeping that rider safe during their session. Following direction from a therapist, side walkers may be asked to engage with their riders and assist in therapeutic activities unique to each rider. Side walkers also assist in sanitizing equipment after each session including helmets, belts, toys, and therapy equipment. No experience is necessary. Training is provided.
- Horse leaders control the equine during therapy and adaptive riding sessions and, with direction from the therapist or instructor, are responsible for maintaining a safe and effective session. Horse leaders must have previous horse experience through riding lessons, owning or leasing a horse, or other comparable experiences. Duties include leading the equine during sessions, grooming, tacking and untacking, bringing in or turning out horses, basic barn chores, and other duties as needed.

**Contact** Anna Splan at 920-347-3174 or [asplan@exceptionalequestrians.org](mailto:asplan@exceptionalequestrians.org).

## Refugee Resettlement Assistance

### Various days and times

Catholic Charities is in need of volunteers ages 18 and older to help refugee families in these important ways:

- Pick them up at the airport
- Provide a culturally appropriate welcome meal
- Distribute seasonally appropriate clothing for work, school, and every day
- Assist in transporting individuals to job interviews and other appointments
- Assist with completing public benefits applications such as Medicaid, SNAP, etc.
- Assist with enrollment in an English language program

Volunteers will sign up for a 90-day contract to help a refugee family. Anything beyond that is up to the volunteer. **Contact** Chelsey Martinez at 920-272-8322 or [cmartinez@gbdioc.org](mailto:cmartinez@gbdioc.org).

## Workshop Facilitators

### Flexible shifts

Newcap LLC is looking for volunteers to do workshops with residents at their Green Bay and Shawano CABA (Center for Advocating, Believing and Achieving) locations. These facilities are homes, and Newcap's mission is to try and bring people out of poverty and create a better life. The workshops can be on healthy eating, budgeting, how to manage/clean a home, craft projects or anything in which you have a talent. Locations: 315 S. Jefferson St. in Green Bay and 504 Lakeland Rd. in Shawano. Individuals under 18 must be accompanied by a parent.

**Contact** Diana Bushman at 920-373-0050 or [dianabushman@newcap.org](mailto:dianabushman@newcap.org).