



Volunteer Bloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: *"Kind words can be short and easy to speak, but their echoes are truly endless."* ~Mother Teresa

April 3, 2013

Adult Leaders for Global Youth Service Day – April 26

Spotlight your mentoring skills as an adult Team Leader for Global Youth Service Day - a youth day of service sponsored by the Monroe County Youth Council - from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. on Friday, April 26. Projects will include a B-Line Trail clean up, mural painting, garden installation, tree planting and Habitat build. Each high-school team will be paired with both a high-school and an adult leader. Volunteer your time to mentor these young leaders! All Team Leaders must attend training from 4-5 p.m. on Friday, April 12 at the Monroe County Public Library to learn about their project, meet fellow leaders and gain helpful skills for leading their teams to success. Minimum age is 18. IU and Ivy Tech students are encouraged to participate! Groups welcome! Please contact Ashley Hall at (812) 334-8370 or ash@monroeunitedway.org. (www.monroecountyyouth.wordpress.com)

Junior Volunteers at IU Health Bloomington Hospital

The Junior Volunteer Program at IU Health Bloomington, open to teens who will be enrolled in high school in the fall, is an excellent opportunity for young people to learn about the world of health care. Junior volunteers usually work a single three to four hour shift per week. Hours are flexible and can be worked around summer school and jobs. Teens can volunteer in a variety of departments and perform tasks ranging from delivering flowers to assisting in non-technical duties on patient floors. Minimum age is 14. Applications must be turned in by May. Packets are available at middle and high schools or by contacting the hospital at chill@iuhealth.org or (812) 353-9468. If you leave a message, leave the teen's complete name, address and zip code. (www.bloomingtonhospital.org)

Usher for Bloomington Symphony Orchestra

It's fun to be an usher! At Bloomington Symphony Orchestra concerts, ushers arrive 45 minutes early, then sell tickets, distribute programs, and help patrons find their seats. You may volunteer for one concert, two, or the full season. Ushers receive two free tickets and are invited to the post-concert reception with the orchestra and audience members. Minimum age is 18; 15 if with an adult. Please contact Donna Lafferty at (812) 327-5056 or bsc.donna@gmail.com. (www.bloomingtonsymphony.com)

Relay For Life - Planning Committee

Get on board now as a planning committee member for the Relay for Life of Monroe County on June 21 and 22! The planning committee is seeking additional members to ensure that everything is well-organized, from recruiting and motivating teams and sponsors to planning ceremonies. Other ways to help include mailings, talking to companies about donations, assisting with set-up, volunteering at the Relay or being a Relay participant. Minimum age is 14; 13 if with an adult. Please contact Michelle Gossett, American Cancer Society, at (574) 780-2497 or michelle.gossett@cancer.org. (www.RelayForLife.org/MonroeCountyIN)

Global Gifts Volunteer Training – April 10

Global Gifts is always in need of enthusiastic volunteers at this largely volunteer-run store. If you enjoy greeting customers, are passionate about other cultures, promoting fair trade, fair wages and environmentalism, then Global Gifts is a great volunteer opportunity for you! Their volunteers provide valuable customer service, assist in store operations and spread the mission of fair trade. Volunteers commit to working two shifts per month for a minimum of three months. Volunteer orientation is required, the next one will be held from 7-8:30 p.m. on Wed. April 10. Minimum age is 15. Please contact Tana Hellwig at (812) 336-7402 or btownvolunteer@globalgiftsindy.com. (www.globalgiftsindy.com)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

Community Wish List Spotlight

Down Syndrome Family Connection

An advocacy and support base serving individuals and families living, learning, and growing with Down Syndrome. To grant a wish, contact Cyndi Johnson at (812) 720-9603 or cyndi@downsyndromefamilyconnection.org (www.downsyndromefamilyconnection.org)

Wishes: photo frames (black/espresso, 8x10 or larger), folding tables (rectangular, resin), gift cards for office supplies, gas, groceries; sound system with amplifier and microphone, laptop computer

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

