



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "Once social change begins, it cannot be reversed. You cannot uneducate the person who has learned to read . . . You cannot oppress the people who are not afraid anymore. We have seen the future, and the future is ours." ~Cesar Chavez

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Free Community Tax Service

Do you enjoy helping others? How about working with numbers? The Free Community Tax Service gives low and moderate income taxpayers assistance with the electronic filing of federal and state tax returns. Volunteer positions include site greeters, tax preparers, and site coordinators. A January training will be conducted by Ivy Tech Community College and Internal Revenue Service representatives. Bilingual individuals with proficiency in Spanish, Korean, and Chinese are also needed as tax preparers. This is a wonderful opportunity to learn new skills and serve a community need! Minimum age is 18. Please contact Ashley Hall, Monroe County United Way, at (812) 334-8370 or ash@monroeunitedway.org. (www.monroeunitedway.org)

Soup Tasting – Nov. 2

The weather may be cooling down, but the soup is heating up for the Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department's Soup Tasting on Showers Plaza from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Nov. 2. As chefs showcase their expertise with this versatile comfort food, 10 volunteers will assist with tent set up, oversee the chef demonstrations, and distribute soup samples. Minimum age is 18, 16 if with an adult. Please sign up at <http://bit.ly/SoupTasting> or contact Kim Ecenbarger at (812) 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

Community Engagement Coordinator

The Bloomington Community Orchard is seeking a volunteer Community Engagement Coordinator to connect the community with the sustainable initiatives and high-level vision of the Orchard. This volunteer will work closely with the Outreach, Operations and Communications Teams, as well as the Board of Directors. Responsibilities include informing the community about volunteer workdays, connecting with service groups, and overseeing and tracking volunteer engagement. During a three month training period, the volunteer will attend Orchard activities, learn the systems, and become a part of the Orchard community. This position offers a unique opportunity to make a sustainable difference in the Bloomington community. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Josh David at (812) 360-8116 or governance@bloomingtoncommunityorchard.org. (www.bloomingtoncommunityorchard.org)

Habitat Restore

Be a regular volunteer at the Habitat for Humanity of Monroe County ReStore and build relationships that last a lifetime! Available positions include Sales Assistants, Showroom Staging, Bookstore, Donation Pick-Up, Donation Intake, Donation Repair and Facility Maintenance. Volunteers keep the store running, raising money to build houses for those in need in our community! Some positions require lifting of up to 50 pounds; many do not. Habitat staff will work with you to find the best fit for your interests and talents. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Phil Bowers at (812) 331-4069 ext. 202 or volunteers@monroecountyhabitat.org. (www.monroecountyhabitat.org)

Roundabout Opera for Kids Administrative Assistant

Roundabout Opera for Kids, led by a Jacobs School of Music faculty coach, introduces children to opera while giving developing musicians an opportunity to hone performance skills. An upcoming music education project involving musicians from the U.S. and Kenya, called Tunaweza Kimuziki, needs Administrative Assistants. These volunteers will catalog videos, plan for a February visit from a Kenyan music ensemble, assist with an IU class that will Skype with Kenyan clarinetists, and plan for a group of musicians to go to Kenya in May. Volunteers should be organized, accessible by email, interested in helping a dynamic international music education effort, with one to five hours per week through May for this project. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Diana Nixon at (812) 345-3743 or nixon.diana@att.net. (www.tunawezakimuziki.wordpress.com) (<http://rok.kimcarballo.com>)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Area 10 Agency on Aging

Serves as a leader in providing resources and solutions and promoting opportunities that empower community members to live longer, stronger lives. To grant a wish, contact Rebecca Nunley at rnunley@area10agency.org or (812) 876-3383 (631 W. Edgewood Dr., Ellettsville; www.area10agency.org)

Wishes: for homebound seniors: taxi rides, pill boxes, twin/full mattress covers; for food pantry: stepstools, box truck; for senior center: wireless sound system, office desk

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.

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.

