



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "A community is like a ship, everyone ought to be prepared to take the helm." ~ Henrik Ibsen, Norwegian Playwright and Poet

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Group Opportunities at New Hope for Families

Volunteer groups of all sizes are welcome to contribute to the work of New Hope for Families! You can create "Baskets of Hope" with friends – small care packages created around a theme that families leaving the shelter can take with them into their new homes. When a family has stabilized and is ready to move, volunteers can help! Gather a few friends, a truck, and help a family transition to their own apartment. There are also volunteer work days from 1-5 p.m. every Wed. when groups are welcome to help out with current projects. Minimum age is 18. Please contact Elaine Guinn at (812) 334-9840 or director@nhfsinc.org for more information. (www.nhfsinc.org)

PALS Volunteer Training – July 25

People and Animal Learning Services (PALS) is offering a volunteer training from 1-4 p.m. on July 25 for those interested in PALS therapeutic equine programs. Volunteers participate weekly, with responsibilities including leading horses or side-walking riders. Volunteers work closely with PALS clients and help groom, saddle, train, care for horses and help with barn chores. No horse experience necessary! Most volunteer shifts are between 11 a.m. and 8 p.m., Mon. through Thurs. Minimum age is 16. Please contact Jennylynn Vidas at (812) 336-2798 ext. 15 or jennylynn@palstherapy.org to RSVP for the training or request a volunteer packet. You can also submit a volunteer application via the PALS website. (palstherapy.org/volunteer)

Tomato Tasting – Aug. 1

Volunteers will enjoy one of the glories of summer - the Bloomington Community Farmers' Market - as they distribute tomato samples with a kaleidoscope of colors - yellow, orange, purple and green! The Tomato Tasting event will take place from 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m. on Aug. 1. at the Showers Plaza. Minimum age for volunteers is 16; 14 if with an adult. To sign up, please go to: <http://bit.ly/TomatoTasting> or contact Kim Ecenbarger, Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department, at (812) 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

Donation Pickup and Sale Organization – Now through Aug. 22

The Hoosier to Hoosier Community Sale (H2H) would like your help with picking up and organizing donations, from now until sale day on Aug. 22! H2H is almost entirely volunteer powered. This waste-diversion program intercepts reusable items during IU student moveout, and sells them to raise funds for local sustainability programs and non-profit organizations. The effort is jointly organized by the City of Bloomington, the IU Office of Sustainability and Cutters Soccer Club. Shifts are typically 9 a.m.-12 p.m. and 1-4 p.m.; please go to the website to see all of the volunteer days and to sign up. Minimum age is 16; 13 if with an adult. Please contact Jacqueline Bauer at (812) 349-3837 or h2h@indiana.edu. (h2h.indiana.edu)

Skilled Volunteers Needed – Marketing, Finance, Fundraising, Business

The Brown County Humane Society is looking for strategic partners and skilled volunteers to contribute specific knowledge for the growth of the organization. This shelter is nationally recognized as a highly-successful rural shelter, with an annual save-rate of over 95%. They want to build on that success, to share their programs, to work with others, and to save more animals. They are seeking professionals interested in serving on committees, or the board of directors, to contribute to the management and successful stewardship of the organization. If you have a professional background in any of the following areas, and a passion for animals, they would love to talk to you: marketing, public relations, fundraising, development, business, architecture, construction, human resources, resource management, information technology, or animal welfare. Please contact Erika Imhoof at (812) 988-7362 or volunteer@bchumane.org. (www.bchumane.org)

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit BloomingtonVolunteerNetwork.org or call 812-349-3433. 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

United Way

Works with member agencies and community partners to bring lasting change and improve people's lives. To grant a wish, contact Brigitt Nasby at bnasby@monroeunitedway.org or (812) 334-8370. (441 S. College Ave.; www.monroeunitedway.org)

Wishes: metal shelving units, carpeting, folding portable table (6 ft.), gift cards (for office supplies, groceries, volunteer appreciation & fundraising events, portable tabletop display, brochure display rack, digital camera

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.

