IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Interfaith Winter Shelter
The Interfaith Winter Shelter is a beautiful example of Bloomington’s spirit of collaboration and giving. Bloomington winters can be unforgiving, but with the help of volunteers, faith communities across town offer their space as refuge overnight to those who need it. The Interfaith Winter Shelter is low-barrier, prioritizing safety and respectful behavior. Training is required, so be sure to reach out before winter! Read more and connect to opportunities to serve at www.bloomingtonvolunteernetwork.org/agency/detail/iws

FEATURED OPPORTUNITIES

All-Options Talkline Advocate
All-Options Pregnancy Resource Center is seeking Talkline Advocates to provide open-hearted peer counseling support to callers across all pregnancy and parenting turning points. All-Options promotes judgment-free support for people in all of their decisions, feelings, and experiences with pregnancy, parenting, abortion, and adoption. Put your skills with empathetic listening and interest in reproductive justice in action. Bilingual individuals, women of color, and people who have personally experienced abortion, adoption, parenting, or pregnancy are especially encouraged to apply. Training starts in October, so apply soon! Minimum age is 21. Please contact Rachel Ronquillo Gray at 812-558-0089 or rachel@all-options.org. (www.all-options.org)

Inventory Inspector
Every day, the Salvation Army receives hundreds of pounds of donated goods - clothing, furniture, electronics, art, jewelry and more. They sell what is in good shape to the public at low prices and recycle or safely dispose of what is not. Funds raised are used to support their case management, employment and financial assistance programs, as well as their food pantry. Volunteers assist staff as they receive, sort, hang, and tag items and make the store an attractive destination for customers. Minimum age is 16. Please contact Monica Clemons at 812-336-4310 or monica_clemons@usc.salvationarmy.org. (www.bloomington.salvationarmyindiana.org)

Orchard Communications Team Co-Chair
The Bloomington Community Orchard is seeking enthusiastic individuals interested in learning through hands-on education and making a sustainable difference. The Communications Team implements the strategic communications plan through website, newsletter, social media management, and creative/graphic design projects. A Communications Team Co-Chair is needed to facilitate monthly meetings, manage promotional projects, and identify new opportunities. The commitment is 5-10 hours per week. Innovations and inspiration welcome! Minimum age is 18. Please contact Franklin Anderson at 734-604-1174 or getinvolved@bloomingtoncommunityorchard.org. (www.bloomingtoncommunityorchard.org)

ACTIVATE VOLUNTEER OF THE WEEK

Wendy Rubin :: IU Health Alzheimer’s Resources
Wendy Rubin volunteers with the Alzheimer’s Resource Service’s Service and Support Group, providing support to participants and their family caregivers. Wendy also chairs the local Walk to End Alzheimer’s Committee. Personal experience supporting her late husband allows Wendy to relate to others with compassion, insight, and wisdom. Her presence in the lives of those participating in the Service and Support Group is one of guidance and friendship. Wendy is joyful and passionate as she supports families and individuals who live with dementia. Listen to this week’s Activate on WFHB at www.wfhb.org/news/activate/. Activate is a coproduction of WFHB Community Radio and the City of Bloomington Volunteer Network.

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.