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**Big Brothers Big Sisters of Athens County**

The mission of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Athens is to make a positive difference in the lives of area youth through professionally supported relationships with mentors and volunteers. Our Vision is a mentoring relationship for every child who needs and wants one.

**How Can I Volunteer?**
Mentor a 5-17 year old child in Washington County, spending time with the Little Brother or Little Sister weekly for a minimum of one year. Volunteers may also help for a shorter period of time (2 hours a week for a minimum of four weeks) leading group activities at the Youth in Leadership after-school program at Washington Elementary.

**Volunteer Requirements:**
Volunteers are required to complete multiple background checks, provide references, complete an interview, and attend a training.

**Time Commitment:**
We require Big Brothers or Big Sisters to commit to a minimum of one hour of service weekly to a child for one full year. To assist with the after-school program, we request a minimum commitment of two hours a week for four weeks from 3:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. on Thursdays during the academic school year. The one-on-one mentoring program meeting times are flexible, and can accommodate holiday breaks.

**Contact:**
Tara Gilts at director@bbbsathens.org or 740-797-0037 or facebook.com/bbbsathens

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**Children’s Home Society of West Virginia:**

The mission of Children’s Home Society of West Virginia is to promote the well-being of children. Our current efforts are directed towards protecting and nurturing children while helping to enhance, preserve, and strengthen their families. The WE CAN Mentoring Program is a community-based program that works to help vulnerable children and their families. We serve children and youth ages 5-17.

**How Can I Volunteer?**
Become a mentor! Volunteer mentors assist professionally trained staff in providing services to children and families. A mentor acts as a role model, a friend, and a community resource. The mentor has the option of choosing an age range he/she would prefer to work with. It is a one-on-one mentoring match and we encourage the mentor to take advantage of the resources in the community while promoting recreational, educational, and cultural activities and events that the child or youth may not have previously had the opportunity to be exposed to.

Advantages of being a mentor include personal growth, the opportunity to be creative and learn effective listening and problem solving skills, and achieve a feeling of fulfillment and satisfaction from making a positive difference in the community and in the life of a child.

**Volunteer Requirements:**
Must be at least 18 years of age with a valid driver’s license and auto insurance, complete an application with three non-relative references, agree to a WV State Police, FBI, and CPS/DHH background check, and attend mandatory orientation and training sessions scheduled at your convenience.

**Time Commitment:**
2 hours per week, with a minimum 6 month contract. Schedule varies. Flexible.

**Contact:**
Ashley Way, 304-485-0650, away@childhswv.org

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**Consumer Credit Counseling Service of the Mid-Ohio Valley**

Consumer Credit Counseling Service of the Mid-Ohio Valley (CCCS) provides professional credit counseling services, educational programs, debt management options and housing counseling to residents of the Mid-Ohio Valley.

**How Can I Volunteer?**
- Information Technology (IT)
- Grant Writing and Research
- Outreach and Education

**Volunteer Requirements:**
None

**Time Commitment:**
Varies by program but every effort will be made to accommodate schedule of volunteer

**Contact:**
John Jackson, 304-485-3141, jjacksoncccs@wirefire.com
**Ely Chapman Education Foundation**

The Ely Chapman Education Foundation is a nonprofit educational organization designed to provide educational enrichment for groups with diverse backgrounds.

**How can I volunteer?**

- **Librarian:** Shelve books, organize incoming book donations.
- **The S.U.N.S.H.I.N.E Learning Station:** Tutor/Mentor elementary school children in reading, math, writing, and homework help.
- **Middle School Program:** Tutor/Mentor Middle School children in basics of reading, math, and homework.
- **Performing Arts Theatre Program:** Assist Drama teacher as needed with the production of plays put on by K-8 students.
- **Boy Scout Troop 231:** Volunteers are needed regularly.
- **Talented and Gifted Program (TAG)**

**Volunteer Requirements:**

None

**Time Commitment:**

Varies by program

**Contact:**

Alice Chapman, 740-376-9533, achapman@elychapmanedu.org

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**First Presbyterian Church Williamstown Tutoring Program**

We exist as part of the Outreach ministry of our congregation to provide tangible hope in our community by providing one-on-one tutoring in a safe and nurturing environment to local elementary school students.

**How can I volunteer?**

We are looking for committed tutors, interested in helping local elementary students gain and improve critical math and reading skills.

**Volunteer Requirements:**

We ask that volunteers have the desire to work with children and a willingness to tutor and improve in their tutoring skills.

**Time Commitment:**

Thursday afternoons, 3:00 - 4:30PM

**Contact:**

Nancy Jones, nancygjones@hotmail.com, (304) 375-4618, (304) 375-6211 (church office number)

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**EVE, Incorporated**

EVE, Incorporated provides services for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault, including a 24-hotline.

**How can I volunteer?**

- Answer hotline calls while crisis backup workers are screening individuals.
- Office work: answer incoming calls, both general and hotline, and assist with other office related functions.
- Donation collection by conducting drives for paper products, cell phones, etc.
- Cleaning, yard work (hedge trimming, leaf blowing, lawn edging), and painting.
- Childcare assistance with groups, etc. in varying capacities.

**Volunteer Requirements:**

None

**Time Commitment:**

Varies

**Contact:**

Shane Wisenburg, 740-374-5820, ext. 18, eveshelter@suddenlinkmail.com

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**Friends of Lower Muskingum River**

Friends of Lower Muskingum River is a local nonprofit watershed organization committed to restoring, protecting, and maintaining the physical, chemical, and biological integrity of the Muskingum River. Our overall objective is to improve water quality and to promote the recreational use of the Muskingum River through community education, land preservation, and promoting sustainable development.

**How can I volunteer?**

- Become a member of the Stream Team Volunteer Monitoring Program
- Volunteer Monitors gain hands on experience and training in the field while collecting reliable water quality data for FLMR.
- Grant writing, creative website structuring, cartography, graphic design, event promotion, and partnership building

**Volunteer Requirements:**

None

**Time Commitment:**

Varies

**Contact:**

Jesse Daubert, 740-374-4170, flmr@muskingumriver.org
**Humane Society of the Ohio Valley**

The Humane Society of the Ohio Valley is a nonprofit organization, founded in 1888 which serves all of Washington County. We strive to make a difference in the animals’ lives and find them loving, forever homes. We seek to educate the community on spay and neuter programs and offer discounts to those who qualify. We seek to raise awareness and prevention of animal cruelty. It is our responsibility to attempt to reunite lost pets with their owners.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**
- Walk dogs during the afternoon
- Painting and other upkeep of facility
- Fundraisers and other donation collection

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**
None

**TIME COMMITMENT:**
Varies. Monday-Friday, Noon-4:30pm; Saturday, 11:00am-4:00pm; Sunday, 11:00am-3:00pm.

**CONTACT:**
Steve Herron, manager@hsov.org

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**Marietta Family YMCA**

Marietta Family YMCA aims to put Christian principles into practice through programs that build healthy spirit, mind, and body for all.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**
- HR Assistant
- Marketing Assistant
- Sports Assistant
- Fitness Center Staff
- Assistance Swim Team Coach
- Swim Lessons Instructor
- Lifeguard
- After School Teen Leader
- School-Age / Preschool Teacher Assistant
- Special Events

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**
None

**TIME COMMITMENT:**
Varies by program.

**CONTACT:**
Beth Payton, 740-373-2250, bpayton@mariettaymca.org

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**Marietta Home Health and Hospice**

Marietta Home Health and Hospice is a for-profit organization; however, the volunteer program is strictly nonprofit by providing companionship, fun, respite, and support for our patients. Hospice is a health care service for those with a life limiting illness (cancer, Alzheimer's, AIDS, Congestive Heart Failure, etc.). Hospice provides a variety of services of comfort, compassion, and support consisting of nursing, home health aides, bereavement, psychosocial, spiritual, and companionship and respite.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**
Volunteers are an extremely critical asset to our services by being someone to share stories of the “good old days”, help finish bucket list items, perform music to, make meals, cheer with while watching sporting events, watching movies/TV, read to, play games with, and overall being someone to talk to and listen to. We also assist in fulfilling bucket lists such as seeing a live concert, learning a new skill, having a special date with their loved ones, going on an adventure, and much more by being creative. Volunteers get to perform service depending on their personal preferences, comfort level, interests, experience, skills, and busy schedules. Volunteers may serve patients directly or indirectly and they may serve patients either at a personal residence, nursing home, or both. Volunteers can also serve individually, partner, or even as a group to fulfill the needs and preferences of the volunteers, but also fulfill the needs and wants of the patient.

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**
Volunteers must complete a training, which counts towards your McDonough Leadership hours requirement. You will also have to pass a TB test and background check, which our organization provides and pays for. The volunteer must be a compassionate and caring individual that would be trustworthy enough to assist in the care of someone’s loved one.

**TIME COMMITMENT:**
1-4 hours a week, pending the patient.

**CONTACT:**
Taylor Daugherty, 740-374-9100, taylor.daugherty@amedisys.com
**[Marietta Main Street]**

Marietta Main Street will stimulate the economic vitality, enhance the visual appearance, and improve the quality of life in Marietta, Ohio through the promotion of our historic community as a great place to live, work, shop, and invest.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**
Whether it be volunteering to work special event, help out with a community service project, or contributing your skills and talents to our organization by joining one of our various committees, there is a little something for everyone at Marietta Main Street.

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**
None

**TIME COMMITMENT:**
Varies.

**CONTACT:**
Jean G. Farmer, 740-885-8194, jean.farmer@mariettamainstreet.org

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**[Mid-Ohio Valley Players]**

Our mission is to provide artistic outlet and educational opportunities for community members interested in the performing arts. We also seek to provide an source of live entertainment for our community at large.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**
We have many routes of volunteerism available. From ushering for events, to helping us backstage during productions, to assisting us with various organizational projects we have, as we try to upgrade our theatre facilities. We have volunteer opportunities open from one-day commitments to a commitment spanning months, depending on the student’s interest and field of study. Interested students may also inquire about lighting design, set design, costuming, and properties management opportunities for individual shows. We have utilized Marietta College students in the past as assistant directors, musical directors, technicians, properties masters, and actors.

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**
None

**TIME COMMITMENT:**
Varies.

**CONTACT:**
Kevin Mayhood-Paskawych, (740) 706-1724, kevin_paskawych@yahoo.com

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**[Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)]**

MOPS is an international group that exists to encourage, equip, and develop every mother of preschoolers to realize her potential as a woman, mother, and leader in the name of Jesus Christ.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**
- Help coordinate our Moppets childcare program
- Volunteer to work in our childcare rooms

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**
Comfortable working with a Christian organization, though does not have to be a Christian or attend church. Displays sensitivity to needs of young mothers, even if they are not a mother of preschoolers themselves. Exhibits a dedication to meeting the needs of children and understands their eternal worth to God. Communicates well with children, peers, and older adults. Understands what is involved in providing quality childcare to a group of small children.

**TIME COMMITMENT:**
2nd Thursday of each month, 9:00am to 11:30am.

**CONTACT:**
Chrissy Durham, 740-236-0772, mom23d@yahoo.com; Chris Craven, 740-885-0025 chriscraven30@yahoo.com

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**[O’Neill Center]**

The O’Neill Center provides a variety of activities and programs for seniors.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**
- Teach a basic computer class to seniors
- Party and event hosting
- Designing posters and flyers
- Updating event calendars
- Working with seniors in Adult Day Care
- Visiting with seniors
- Office help
- Outside cleaning/light yard work
- Share travel experiences with seniors as an “Armchair Traveler”

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**
None

**TIME COMMITMENT:**
Varies

**CONTACT:**
Nancy Matheny, 740-373-3914, nmatheny@oneillcenter.com; Lisa Turner, 740-373-3914, lturner@oneillcenter.com
[St. Mary’s LEAC School Tutoring Program]

St. Mary’s Elementary School aids parents by educating their children in developing their potential as complete persons spiritually, morally, mentally, academically, socially, and physically, in order to be able to grow into mature Christian citizens in the Catholic tradition. The school provides a faith based education to students from pre-school thru 8th grade.

How can I volunteer?
Tutor children by providing homework help after school.

Volunteer Requirements:
The Diocese of Steubenville Decree on Child Protection requires all employees & regular volunteers to submit to a criminal records check to be completed by the Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI). Individuals who have not continuously lived in the state of Ohio for the last five years must also have a Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) background check. The St. Mary Home & School Organization and the Boosters Organization will underwrite the cost of the BCI and FBI background checks for volunteers serving at St. Mary School.

Time Commitment:
Monday – Thursday, 3:30pm-4:30pm.

Contact:
Nicole Huffman, 740-373-3289

[The Castle]

The Castle Museum is a Victorian Gothic Revival-style mansion built in the 1850s and was once a residence of many prosperous and important local individuals such as Melvin Clarke, Marietta’s first city solicitor and Colonel in the Civil War, Theodore Davis, State Senate President, and others. The house was renovated in the 1970s and is now used for tours, children’s programs, holiday events, workshops, concerts, ghost tours, etc.

How can I volunteer?
- Decorating workshops, and Victorian Valentine’s workshops.
- Give tour of The Castle to various visitors.
- Assist with research and/or collections management: catalogue, record, and restoration of artifacts from the Victorian Era.
- Assist with Grounds management: maintain herb and flower gardens.
- Assist with Building maintenance: paint, clean, dust, setup for events, re-set for tours.
- Office administration: maintain office environment, answer phones, schedule events, and keep files.

Volunteer Requirements:
Some positions require training.

Time Commitment:
Varies.

Contact:
Misti Spillman, 740-373-4180, mariettacastle@gmail.com

[The Boys and Girls Club of Washington County]

The Boys and Girls Club provides a positive place for boys and girls, grades K thru 12 to be, learn, and grow in an after school program and a safe place to be during our Summer Program.

How can I volunteer?
Volunteer to be a mentor and positive role model, help youth with homework, help with additional activities/programs, spend time and play games with the Club members.

Volunteer Requirements:
No criminal background.

Time Commitment:
The Club would like volunteers that come in for 1-2 hours per day, at least once a week.

Contact:
Sam Anderson, 740-373-4123, bgcwc1234@att.net

[The Right Path for Washington County]

Our mission is to promote healthy youth development by reducing and preventing youth substance abuse and by continually building and strengthening our broad-based community coalition to support healthy behavioral choices among Washington County youth.

How can I volunteer?
Helping coordinate and prep for high school education drug/alcohol prevention.

Volunteer Requirements:
None

Time Commitment:
Varies.

Contact:
Cathy Harper 740-374-6990, X201 cathyjoharper@aol.com
[**The Salvation Army**]

The Salvation Army provides a positive place for young boys and girls to be, learn, and grow in an afterschool program that runs year-round.

**How Can I Volunteer?**
Volunteers are needed most to serve as mentors for Club members. Volunteer to be a mentor and positive role model, help youth with homework, help with additional activities/programs, and spend time with the Club members.

**Volunteer Requirements:**
None

**Time Commitment:**
1-2 hours per day, at least once a week. Monday-Friday, 3:00pm-6:00pm.

**Contact:**
Major Karen Garrett, 740-373-4043

[**Washington County American Red Cross & American Red Cross Blood Services**]

The American Red Cross is a humanitarian organization led by volunteers that provides relief to victims of disaster and helps people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

**How Can I Volunteer?**
- Office assistant work (organizing, answering phone calls, day-to-day business activities)
- Help create PowerPoint presentations
- Help with event setup, registration, and logistics
- Write articles
- On-call volunteers
- Assist with the organization of fundraisers
- Train to become a Health & Safety Instructor
- Landscape/Garden at the chapter house
- Housekeeping/Clean
- Projects on an as needed basis

**Volunteer Requirements:**
None

**Time Commitment:**
Varies.

**Contact:**
Sheri Schwartz, 740-373-0281, sherischwartz@redcross.org

[**Washington County Harvest of Hope**]

Washington County Harvest of Hope recovers, grows and gleans food to distribute to those who live with hunger and food insecurity in the Mid-Ohio Valley. Our primary focus is on food rescue, where we divert fresh, nourishing food that would otherwise be thrown away and deliver it to pantries and hot meal programs that serve those in need. We also partner with gardeners to grow food in our Community Gardens.

**How Can I Volunteer?**
Students can volunteer to staff our twice-yearly yard sale fundraiser, go out in our truck to pick up and distribute food, help construct raised beds or do maintenance work in our community gardens, or harvest food when farmers contact us with an offer to collect their excess produce.

**Volunteer Requirements:**
Reliability, a commitment to serving the community, and a desire to have fun while doing so. Those who wish to drive our truck must complete training and fill out the appropriate paperwork.

**Time Commitment:**
Varies.

**Contact:**
Sara Ryckebosch, 503-764-9544, sryckebosch@gmail.com; www.wchoh.org

[**Washington County Health Department**]

Our mission is to assure a healthful environment, prevent disease, and prolong life and well-being for the citizens of Washington County.

**How Can I Volunteer?**
Disaster preparedness, Creating Healthy Communities, Nursing, and front desk. Volunteers can focus on updating the website, cross referencing birth and death records, helping with registration during flu vaccination, get trained for disaster preparedness, etc.

**Volunteer Requirements:**
None

**Time Commitment:**
Varies.

**Contact:**
Angela Lowry, Emergency Preparedness Coordinator, (740) 374-2782, alowry@washco-ohhealth.org
**WASHINGTON COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:**

**CREATING HEALTHY COMMUNITIES (CHC)**

Our mission is to promote healthy life choices through the shared development and promotion of local resources in Washington County, Ohio.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**

It can vary from working at the health department, field work, or working directly with the community, schools, hospitals, etc.

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**

None

**TIME COMMITMENT:**

Varies.

**CONTACT:***

Rabia Karim, (740) 374-2782,

rkarim@washco-ohhealth.org

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**WOOD COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

Habitat for Humanity builds homes with lower-income families who are in need of a better place to live. Volunteers construct the homes; the qualifying family then purchases the home from Habitat at 0% interest. Our mission is to eliminate substandard housing in Wood County.

**HOW CAN I VOLUNTEER?**

- Volunteers are welcome at our construction site.
- Volunteers are also needed at our ReStore, located at 1448 7th Street in Parkersburg.
- Volunteers are needed for special projects such as publicity for fundraising events and information technology needs.

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**

Scheduling and training are necessary for the ReStore.

**TIME COMMITMENT:**

A weekly commitment is expected at the ReStore.

**CONTACT:**

ReStore: Greg Halterman, 304-422-4828,

ghalterman@woodcountyhabitat.org.

Construction/special projects: Mary Townsend, 304-422-7907,

mtownsend@woodcountyhabitat.org

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**LIST OF AFFILIATED ORGANIZATIONS**

- ADULT BASIC LITERACY EDUCATION (ABLE)
- BELPRE AREA MINISTRIES
- BELPRE IN BLOOM
- BETSY MILLS CLUB
- CAMPUS MARTIUS MUSEUM
- FRIENDS OF RIVER TRAIL
- GOSPEL MISSION FOOD PANTRY
- HENRY FEARING HOUSE MUSEUM
- KROGER WETLAND
- MARIETTA CEMETERIES COMING ALIVE
- MARIETTA CITY SCHOOLS
- MARIETTA CITY TREE COMMISSION
- MARIETTA MEMORIAL HOSPITAL
- OHIO CAMPUS COMPACT
- PEER SUPPORT, INC.
- PEOPLE’S BANK
- RIVERSIDE ARTIST GALLERY
- SPRING GROVE CEMETERY ASSOCIATION
- THE DAILY BREAD KITCHEN
- WASHINGTON COUNTY DEMOCRATIC PARTY
- WASHINGTON COUNTY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY
- WESTBROOK HEALTH SERVICES, INC.
- COMPREHENSIVE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CENTER