

CONNECTIONS

The Delaware County Volunteer Center

Connections Volunteer Center engages people in meaningful volunteer experiences. **Can you imagine?**

A community full of people volunteering everyday, everywhere.

Reach out, Connect, Grow. Volunteer Today!

SourcePoint

- **Transportation:** Transport homebound seniors to medical appointments. Use your own car, optional mileage reimbursement. Volunteers choose assignments that fit their schedule and comfort-level. The clients are very grateful!
- **Kitchen Assistants:** Help get the meals prepared for homebound Meals On Wheels clients. The food is 80% made from scratch by staff and volunteers. Two to three hour shifts available between 8:00 a.m. and 1:00 p.m. Must be able to stand for a couple of hours and enjoy working in a kitchen. Free lunch for volunteering!
- **Ensure Deliveries:** Volunteers deliver cases of Ensure and other liquid nutritional supplements to homebound seniors. Cases are picked up at SourcePoint on Friday mornings at 9:00 a.m. and delivered to client's homes any time that day. Optional mileage reimbursement.
- **Bingo Caller:** The Enrichment Center has an opening for a volunteer to call Bingo on Friday afternoons from 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. If you can speak loudly and would enjoy spending the afternoon with a fun group of seniors, this opportunity is for you!



A Place of Warmth at Zion seeks to provide a safe and warm place on nights of extreme cold for homeless men that live outdoors. Volunteers can help by volunteering for shifts during the coldest nights of winter. The warming center will be opened when the temperature is predicted to be below 20 degrees. An off duty law enforcement officer will be on site when the center is opened. Warming center hours are 8:00 pm overnight to 8:00 am. Two shifts are available for volunteers 8:00 pm - 2 a.m. and 2 a.m. to 8 a.m.

Training on Thursday, Dec. 7, 7 p.m. at Zion United Church of Christ at 51 W. Central Ave., Delaware. Minimum age 18. Pre-registration preferred, on line at ConnectionsVolunteerCenter.org.

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The **Senior Companion program in Delaware County is in need of volunteers** to help their peers maintain, regain, or extend independent living. Volunteers help other older adults with personal errands, grocery shopping, correspondence, and doctor appointments. They can also provide short periods of relief to primary caregivers. No medical or technical skills to be a Companion. All you need to know is how to be a friend. Senior Companions must be age 55 or older with 15-20 hours per week to dedicate to the program. Benefits package included. This program is sponsored by Catholic Social Services, supported by SourcePoint, and managed by Connections Volunteer Center.



Ohio Living Sarah Moore

Volunteers sought to help with BINGO Tuesday nights at 6 p.m. Volunteer will help gather residents (there will always be an activity staff member present), call the numbers and hand out prizes. Help once a month or more.

Ohio Crime Victim Justice Center

Seeking help with planning events and/or presentations regarding victims' rights and the services OCVJC provides. Volunteers receive training & learn about the criminal justice process. Increase awareness and enforcement of crime victims' rights laws by being a volunteer.

Grace Clinic Delaware

Grace Clinic Delaware is a free medical ministry that serves uninsured and underinsured members of our community. They are in need of nurse volunteers for the Wednesday evening clinics from 5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. The nurses take vitals and health history and do some lab testing for the patient.

If you are interested in any of the listed opportunities, please call 740.363.5000 between 9 am & 4 pm or e-mail: Colleen Dennis at cdennis@helplinedelmor.org or Elaine Miller at emiller@helplinedelmor.org. Website: ConnectionsVolunteerCenter.org Facebook: www.facebook.com/connectionsvolunteercenter

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Delaware Speech and Hearing Center

Help needed with purging old medical records. This job will take someone able to work on their own in a quiet space and who can process information quickly.

Volunteer Guardian Program

Guardians serve individuals who have no family able or willing to assist them, and whose ability to make decisions is diminished. They are alone and they need your help. Volunteer guardians do not have financial responsibility for the person. Must be at least 21 years old, have reliable transportation, references, attend an interview, undergo a background check and complete training. A program of the Central Ohio Area Agency on Aging.

The Strand Theatre

Volunteer Monitors observe and check patron behavior before, during and after films in the Balcony Theatre. Assist patrons to their seat, engage with guests. Receive a Strand t-shirt and flashlight and you will receive a box of popcorn and a small fountain drink. Shifts during regular movie show times.

Kindred Hospice

Seeking volunteers to provide companionship, socialization, and caregiver relief for patients and family members! They are also in need of administrative volunteers for clerical support including filing, answering the phones and helping with mailing.

Habitat for Humanity - ReStore

Restore helps Habitat for Humanity generate funds to create a world where everyone has a decent place to live. They sell new and gently used items to support the mission. They are open Tuesday-Saturday, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. Volunteers are needed on the sales floor, accepting donations, and cashiering.

Area Senior Groups

Seeking older adults to join area senior groups, especially those aged 60+ who would be willing to take on leadership roles within the groups to help keep them flourishing.

SHARE

Share makes sleeping bags for the homeless out of recycled materials. Including using MEN'S TIES to tie up the sleeping bag when it is rolled up. They are in need of old ties - clean out that collection. Get creative! Have a Scout collection -- a school collection -- or how about when you attend a meeting, bring a tie!

American Red Cross

- **Transportation Specialist – Hospital Deliveries** – Help drive their life-saving mission forward by using American Red Cross vehicles to transport blood donations to the Red Cross lab and to the hospitals they serve.
- **Delaware County Blood Donor Ambassador** – Help the Red Cross meet blood collection goals and promote good blood donor experiences by putting your excellent customer service skills to work!

Delaware County Railroad Safety Task Force

Are you concerned about public safety? Help spread the message of safety when crossing railroad tracks through community outreach and education during fairs, events and presentations, especially to children, about railroad safety.

Friends of the Delaware County District Library

Love books, love the library, love graphic design? Help advocate, create community awareness and with fund raisers for the Delaware County District Library by designing flyers, posters, and fun invitations. Or, if you enjoy talking with people and experiencing local culture you could enjoy community festivals, fairs, First Fridays, and Farmer's Markets in Delaware County while being an ambassador for Friends of the Library.

Common Ground Free Store

They are open four times a week providing clothing and small household goods to those in need. They also provide a free meal. January help is sought as there are several days with no food provides and a few days with no volunteers. A food provider brings enough food for about 35 people, they need 3 each time as they serve around 100 meals when open. Volunteer times are Tuesdays/Thursdays 5:30 p.m.-9:00 p.m. and Wednesdays/Saturdays 9:30 a.m.-1:15

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