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June & July 2026



Iowa Arts Festival

June 5th-7th

Downtown Iowa City – 10 S. Clinton St.
Multiple afternoon and evening shifts

The Iowa Arts Festival is a beloved Iowa City tradition featuring over 100 artists, live music, food vendors, and family-friendly activities. This award-winning summer event brings the community together to celebrate creativity and the arts.

How to sign up: <https://summerofthearts.volunteerlocal.com/volunteer/>

- New volunteers need to fill out an application and then sign up for shifts.
- Returning volunteers can check/update their profile and sign up for shifts.

Contact: Andrea Truitt, andrea@summerofthearts.org



Iowa City Jazz Festival

July 3rd-5th

Downtown Iowa City – 10 S. Clinton St.
Multiple shifts Friday through Sunday

The Iowa City Jazz Festival is a three-day downtown event featuring live performances by local, national, and international jazz artists. The festival also includes food vendors, artist and community booths, a beverage garden, and a Sunday jazz brunch fundraiser.

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Rhythms at Riverfront Crossings

June 13th, July 11th, August 8th, & August 22nd

1001 S. Clinton St., Iowa City, IA 52240

Times: 5:00 pm-6:15pm (setup); 9:15pm-10:15pm (tear down)

This event brings some of the area's larger, well-known acts to Iowa City's newest park. There will also be children's activities and a beverage garden provided by Big Grove Brewery.

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The Salvation Army

Food Shelf & Dinner Service Volunteers

1116 Gilbert Ct. Iowa City, IA 52240

Food Shelf Volunteers:

- Help clients shop the food pantry
- Organize food items
- Track household sizes
- Manage capacity and entry flow

Days/Times: Mondays and Wednesdays 12:45-2:15pm

Dinner Service Volunteers:

- Assist with meal prep and serving
- Prepare to-go meals
- Support kitchen and dining room operations
- Handle light cleaning tasks.

Days/Times: Monday-Friday 4:30-6:30pm

If you are interested in one or both of these opportunities, contact Grace Broderick at Grace.Broderick@usc.salvationarmy.org with the date(s) and time(s) you plan to volunteer.



Johnson County Historic Poor Farm - Grow Johnson County Volunteer Opportunities Multiple shifts and time available

The Johnson County Historic Poor Farm needs help this summer for a variety of outdoor volunteer projects that support local agriculture and site improvements. Opportunities are available for individuals or groups.

Parking Lot Post Setting

- Help install approximately 60 fence posts for a new parking area. Volunteers will set, level, and tamp posts into pre-dug holes
- Dates: Flexible, June-early July
- Physical requirement: Lifting up to 25 lbs, squatting, and kneeling
- Time commitment: Half day

Sweet Potato Slip Planting

- Assist with planting more than 2,000 sweet potato slips for the fall harvest and learn about a crop rarely seen in Iowa fields.
- Dates: Approximately June 12-20 (2-4 days notice provided)
- Time commitment: Half day or full day

Weed Suppression & Field Maintenance

- Help maintain the farm by mowing, mulching, and trimming around fields
- Dates: Flexible; some evening opportunities available
- Physical requirements: Carrying up to 25 lbs, squatting, and kneeling
- Time commitment: Flexible

Contact: Emmaly Renshaw emmaly@ivr.cd.org if you are interested



DVIP/RVAP Summer Community Events Multiple Dates & Times Various Locations Across Southern Counties

Each summer, DVIP/RVAP attends community events across their service area to share resources, answer questions, and connect with community members. They want people to see familiar faces at their tables and know their neighbors are here to help. That's why volunteers like you are essential to this work!

If you are able to help your neighbors, please reserve a spot on the [DVIP/RVAP Summer Events Signup here!](#) Prior to tabling at an event, they will provide a brief tabling training.

Feel free to reach out to Amanda Green with any questions, at amandag@dvi.iowa.org and 319.325.9223.



Fields of Faith
produce with purpose...

Fields of Faith Individual Volunteer Opportunity

As Fields of Faith heads into the growing season, extra help is needed during the weeks to support weekly garden operations, including harvesting, pruning, weeding, and general upkeep.

Volunteers are invited to join the “Weed Warriors,” a flexible opportunity to help whenever your schedule allows. No experience is necessary.

Volunteers can sign up to receive a short weekly email with available opportunities to choose when to participate. You can sign up at this link: [Sign up](#)

Contact: Jeff Disterhoft (info@fofiowa.org)



**CORALVILLE
COMMUNITY
FOOD PANTRY**

Coralville Community Food Pantry Individual Volunteer Opportunity 804 13th Avenue Coralville, IA

The Coralville Community Food Pantry is seeking volunteers to support their Summer Lunch Program. This program helps provide meals to children and families in the community during the summer months.

Individuals interested in volunteering are asked to complete a volunteer application. Once submitted and approved, volunteers will receive access to sign up for Summer Lunch shifts.

Click here to fill out a volunteer application: [Click here](#)

Contact: Shané Ahmedoska (shane@coralvillefoodpantry.org)



DVIP/RVAP Individual Volunteer Opportunities

DVIP/RVAP is looking for more volunteers. Volunteers have an opportunity to pursue either direct service or indirect service. Direct service requires a commitment contract and minimum of 6 hours each week including some on-call commitments.

Learn more and sign up to volunteer at this link:

https://secure.lglforms.com/form_engine/s/JD4kCqs5rx_a_wG5C5OZ94Q

Contact: amandag@dvipiowa.org

CYCLING
WITHOUT
AGE



Cycling Without Age Johnson County Individual Volunteer Opportunity

Cycling Without Age Johnson County is seeking a volunteer to help them review, implement, and test a ride-booking system. This role will support their participation in a test group for new software designed specifically to manage and coordinate schedules with their volunteer pilots. The ideal volunteer would be someone who is organized, comfortable with technology, a good communicator, and interested in improving how rides are scheduled.

If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information contact Nancy Footner: nfootner@gmail.com

To learn more about Cycling Without Age: <https://icbikelibrary.org/cycling-without-age>



HACAP Food Pantry – Washington, Iowa 2176 Lexington Blvd

Volunteers are needed to assist in the HACAP Food Pantry in Washington.

- Sort and organize food donations during the week
- Assist with grocery store pick-ups of donated food
- Ensure food is distributed quickly and safely to those in need
- Volunteer shifts are flexible and can be tailored to volunteer availability

For more information or to volunteer contact:

Renella Crawford, Washington Operations Director
319-653-7275 or rcrawford@hacap.org



4C's of Johnson County Individual Volunteer Opportunity 1500 Sycamore St, Iowa City, IA 52240 Shifts available M-F 9am-4:30pm

4C's is looking for volunteers to help remove old office furniture, scan items into folders, and separate documents into shred/no shred sections.

To sign up: Call 319-338-7684 or email Terrie at terrie@iowa4cs.com



Mark Twain Lucas Farms Food Pantry at Faith UCC 1609 Deforest Ave., Iowa City

- **2nd & 4th Wednesday 2:00pm-6:00**
- **2nd & 4th Tuesday late morning to unload the food truck**

Volunteers are needed to assist in serving an increasing number of families. Interpreters are also needed.

Volunteers welcome and assist guests, help carry groceries for shoppers, and restock shelves with available items.

For questions or more information, contact Faith UCC by phone or e-mail:
Faith UCC: 319-338-5238 or faithucc2014@gmail.com or 57czahradnek@gmail.com



Houses into Homes Individual Volunteer Opportunities

Houses into Homes provides gently used beds, furniture, and household items for families and individuals in Johnson County who are exiting homelessness, domestic violence, and other crisis situations.

This work is only possible with the support and service of community members!! Volunteers are needed for furniture deliveries as well as a variety of tasks in the warehouse.

[Click here to view all Houses into Homes volunteer opportunities.](#)



Crowded Closet
MCC THRIFT SHOP

Crowded Closet Thrift Shop Individual and Group Volunteer Opportunities

Crowded Closet is looking for volunteers to help after hours during a 'Work Night'. Volunteers will help with clothing processing, tagging, and other tasks. To sign up for this event click: [Here](#).

Students: Make your summer count by investing in yourself and your community as a volunteer at Crowded Closet. You will gain skills, build your resume, serve locally, and make an impact globally! Plus earn Silver Cord hours. Flexible shifts available. To sign up for volunteer shifts click: [Here](#)

For more information email: crowdedcloset.volunteer@gmail.com



**Iowa Valley Habitat for Humanity
ReStore Volunteers Needed - Help ReStore Sort Cans!
Volunteer shifts available Tuesday-Saturday each week
9:30am-1:00pm & 1:00pm-5:00pm (No Wed. am shift)**

Iowa City ReStore is looking for additional ReStore volunteers throughout June and July to help with sorting cans. When volunteers fill up a truckload of cans, IVHFH receives roughly \$1,000 that helps fund our mission.

Volunteers will help ReStore staff sort through cans and put them into the correct bundles before loading them into one of the ReStore trucks.

Age Restrictions: All volunteers must be at least 14 years old. All volunteers under 18 must have a liability waiver filled out and signed by a parent or legal guardian.

Sign up to volunteer here: [Volunteer Calendar](#)

For questions or more information please contact:

Sammi DeNeui, Volunteer Coordinator, sammi@iowavalleyhabitat.org



**Agape Café
Meal Prep Tuesday Afternoons 12:45pm-3:00pm
Breakfast Service Wednesday Mornings 7:00am-11:00am
26 East Market Street at Old Brick Church, Iowa City**

Agape Café serves a free, hot breakfast each Wednesday for neighbors experiencing homelessness and food insecurity. Breakfast is available for dine-in or to-go service.

Volunteers are needed to assist with Tuesday afternoon meal preparation and dining room set-up, as well as Wednesday morning breakfast service. Volunteer opportunities include food preparation, serving guests, dishwashing, food service assistance, and clean-up/breakdown activities.

Flexibility with volunteer hours is available. Come early and enjoy a great breakfast. Signup [Here](#)

If you are interested in volunteering or learning more, contact Jenny Britton at: 319-400-4879 or agapebreakfast@gmail.com



Ronald McDonald House Weekly Scheduled Volunteers

Weekly scheduled volunteers assist with miscellaneous duties to keep the House a clean, welcoming environment. There are three different positions to choose from:

- Front Desk Volunteers
- Kitchen Volunteers
- In-House Volunteers

If you are interested in learning more complete the online application here:
<https://rmhc-eiwi.org/volunteer-application/>



Crowded Closet
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Crowded Closet Thrift Shop Weekly Scheduled Volunteers

Be part of the award-winning retail team at Crowded Closet Thrift Shop where they provide excellent customer service to their guests. Retail service is a fun way to serve! They have several exciting retail positions awaiting new volunteers. This is a great opportunity for individuals to gain skills, build their resumes, engage with their community, stay active, and to make a difference locally and globally!

If you are interested in learning more complete the online application [here](#): or email at crowdedcloset.volunteer@gmail.com



Iowa City Free Medical & Dental Clinic Volunteers Needed Variety of Volunteer Positions

The Iowa City Free Medical & Dental Clinic is looking for a variety of volunteers:

- Reception
- Clinic Assistant
- Patient Guides
- Interpreters
- Phlebotomist/Laboratory
- Pharmacy

Apply online at: <http://freemedicalclinic.org/give-time/>
[Volunteer Descriptions – Free Medical and Dental Clinic \(freemedicalclinic.org\)](#)

For questions or further information e-mail: volunteer@freemedicalclinic.org

The Johnson County Meals on Wheels program is looking for additional drivers to bring nutritious food and friendly check-ins to neighbors who need them most.

Meal delivery takes place Monday-Friday with pick up around 10:30am. There are typically 4 routes that are open daily. Meal pickup is at Meals on Wheels Coralville office, 2210 9th St. Coralville, IA 52241.

Volunteers will need to complete a short application, background check, and a couple of short videos to watch before starting routes.

To volunteer, call Cara Brady, Volunteer Coordinator for Meals on Wheels at 319-375-3160. Or you can sign up online at horizonsfamily.org



Shelter House - Individual Volunteer Opportunities

Shifts are flexible to volunteer schedules

Volunteers are needed to help with the following:

- Receiving and sorting community donations
- Fulfilling client donation requests and assisting the front desk as needed
- Assisting in the Resource Center to help clients use computers to apply for jobs, create resumes, apply for housing, etc.

Visit <https://shelterhouseiowa.org/volunteer/> for more information and to fill out a volunteer application today!

Contact: brett.mccartt@shelterhouseiowa.org



Ronald McDonald House **Casserole Club Volunteers**

Volunteers are welcome to come in during the day and prepare casseroles for us to freeze and later provide to families when we do not have an evening volunteer meal group.

Groups of 8 can be accommodated. You bring in the ingredients to prepare your casseroles on-site. Our fully stocked kitchen will have everything else you need! We ask that Casserole Club groups wrap up by noon, so if we have a meal group coming in that evening, the kitchen will be available. If you are interested in signing up for a date, you can check availability and sign up on the online calendar here:

[RMHC-EIWI Online Meal Calendar](#)



Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County Onsite Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are needed to assist with the following:

- **Front Desk Volunteer Assistant:** The front desk volunteer assistant is a vital part of creating a safe, kind, and helpful environment in our lobby areas, as well as being a key bridge of communication between parents, teachers, and staff. (7:30am - 9am, 12pm-1pm, or 3:30pm-5:30pm)
- **English or Citizenship Class Volunteer:** Support adult learners in our English or Citizenship classes! As a volunteer, you will assist the lead instructor by guiding participants through activities, holding conversations to build confidence, and providing one-on-one support. This role helps create a positive, engaging learning environment for all participants. (Citizenship classes are held Mondays, and Fridays from 6–8 PM and English classes are held Tuesdays from 6–8 PM - both at our Pheasant Ridge Neighborhood Center.)

For more information or to sign up contact: Bella Williams 319 354 2886 ext. 104
Bella-Arredondo@ncjc.org



UnityPoint Health
AbbeHealth Services

Agging Services, Inc. - Pathways Adult Day Health Center Individual Volunteer Opportunity

Pathways is looking for a volunteer dishwasher for a short-term opportunity starting around June 15th until the end of the summer. The position would preferably be from 12-1:30pm and could be either a daily volunteer or just as they are available M-F.

To sign-up, email joecelynn.taylor@unitypoint.org or call their building at 319-339-6162 and ask for Joecelynn Taylor.



Historical Secret 1883 Octagonal Barn

Barn Restoration Volunteers

Johnson County, 5750 Osage St SE, West Liberty, IA 52776

Volunteer dates and times are flexible. Individual and Group Volunteers are needed to assist with cleaning, repairing, and painting the Historic Secret 1883 Octagonal Barn.

For more information or to schedule a volunteer time, contact Richard Tyler at: rich-tyler@uiowa.edu



Iowa Valley Habitat for Humanity

Construction Volunteers Needed – Iowa City

**Volunteer shifts available Thursday-Sunday every week
8:00am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-5:00pm**

Iowa Valley Habitat for Humanity is looking for additional construction volunteers throughout June and July to help with two current home builds on the North side of Iowa City.

Volunteers will help construction staff through the entire home building process.

No prior experience or knowledge is required! Volunteers are trained and provided with all the tools needed to accomplish the tasks at hand.

Age Restrictions: All volunteers must be at least 16 years old. All volunteers under 18 must have a liability waiver filled out and signed by a parent or legal guardian. Minor volunteers also have slight restrictions regarding the jobs they can help with. If a volunteer is under 18, it is best to contact the Volunteer Coordinator in advance.

Sign up to volunteer here: [Volunteer Calendar](#)

For questions or more information please contact: Sammi DeNeui, Volunteer Coordinator, sammi@iowavalleyhabitat.org



Community Crisis Services and Food Bank Individual Volunteer Opportunities

CommUnity is in need of volunteers for delivery services, pantry preparation, and mobile food preparation

Grocery Delivery:

- Monday-Friday 1:00-3:00pm
- Pick up prepared deliveries at CommUnity and deliver food to local households using your personal vehicle

Staple Bag & Delivery Preparation:

- Monday-Friday, 11:00am-2:00pm
- Help prepared grocery deliveries and staple bags for distribution

Mobile Pantry Helper:

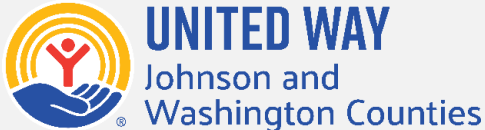
- Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays
- Most shifts are 4:00pm-5:30pm (varies by location)
- Assist with food distribution at mobile pantry sites throughout Iowa City

Sign Up:

<https://volunteer.bloomerang.co/volunteer/#/join-party?k=20gtucd6didsim>

Contacts:

Krystal Kabela, Volunteer Coordinator: krystal.kabela@builtbycommunity.org
Mobile Pantry Staff: mobile.pantry@builtbycommunity.org



United Way of Johnson & Washington Counties Office Volunteers

The United Way of Johnson & Washington Counties is looking for office volunteers to assist with office needs and various projects. Tasks such as reception, donation counting and sorting, mailing projects, inventory of community impact items, organizing, etc.

Volunteer time would typically be during business hours Monday-Friday. Flexible scheduling based upon project needs and volunteer availability.

If you are interested in learning more about volunteering at the United Way office, please contact Wendy Nolan: wendy.nolan@unitedwayjwc.org or 319-338-7823

For information on other volunteer opportunities:
United Way Volunteer Center
<https://www.unitedwayjwc.org/volunteer-center>
319-337-8657 or email: vols@unitedwayjwc.org

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