



Volunteer UNITED

UNITED WAY OF JOHNSON & WASHINGTON COUNTIES
VOLUNTEER EXPRESS

July & August 2025



**Boys & Girls Club of Iowa City
Summer Club Volunteer Support**

1059 US-6 E, Iowa City

July 8-August 16 Monday through Friday 9:00am-5:00pm

Volunteers can sign up for 2-4 hour shifts

Individual or Small Group Volunteers are needed to assist with:

- Reading with youth in grades K-6
- Facilitating "Money Matters", a national program teaching teens financial literacy
- Serving lunch to members
- General engagement and support during club hours

Volunteer Information and Sign-up:

Email or call to get started. A background check is required and volunteers will be assisted with the process.

Contact: Ronnie Smith, Unit Director 319-330-3832 rsmith@inmyclub.org



CORALVILLE
COMMUNITY
FOOD PANTRY

Coralville Community Food Pantry

804 13th Ave, Coralville

Summer Lunch Program June 10 – August 22

Tuesday-Friday 11:00am-1:30pm

The Coralville Community Food Pantry will be providing a free meal and fun activities to local kids every Tuesday-Friday.

Volunteers are needed to welcome kids and their families, serve food, and play games. Use these links to review volunteer opportunities and sign-up:

[July Summer Lunch Sign up](#)

[August Summer Lunch Sign up](#)



Summer of the Arts
Rhythms at Riverfront Crossings
July 12, July 26, Aug 2, Aug 16, Aug 30
1.5-2.5 hour late afternoon and evening shifts

Volunteers are needed with event set-up and tear down, and with monitoring the entrance/exit by the stage (Big Grove Brewery serves beverages at the event site).

Volunteer Information and Sign-up:

<https://summerofthearts.volunteerlocal.com>

Links to the Volunteer Application (at the bottom) and Event Sign-Ups are on one landing page (this is a two-step process)

For questions or more information, contact Andrea Truitt, Director of Engagement:
andrea@summeroftheARTS.org



Back to School Supply Distribution
August 15 Noon-7:00pm August 16 10:00am-3:00pm
Johnson County Fairgrounds Building A

United Way of Johnson & Washington Counties, The Salvation Army, Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County, Big Brothers Big Sisters of Johnson County, and Open Heartland have teamed up to provide local families with school supplies.

Over 150 volunteers will be needed to assist with distributing school supplies. Click here to volunteer: [Opportunities | United Way Volunteer Center](#)

Donations are also needed to meet the local need.

Click here to learn more about the event and how you can help meet the school supply need: <https://www.unitedwayjwc.org/backtoschool>



Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County
National Night Out
Tuesday, August 5 5:30pm-8:00pm
Weatherby Park 2400 Taylor Drive, Iowa City

Volunteer assistance is needed for Set-up, Parking/Traffic Directing, and Tear-Down for this event. Utilize the link below for more information or to sign-up:

[NCJC Volunteers: National Night Out 2025](#)



Domestic Violence Intervention Program and Rape Victim Advocacy Program Summer Events Volunteer Sign-up

Help make a positive impact in the communities served and volunteer with DVIP & RVAP advocates at local events.

Click here for more information and volunteer sign-up:

[Johnson County Fair, IC Farmer's Market, Solon Beef Days](#)



Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County End of Summer Jam Saturday, August 23 2:00pm-5:00pm Willow Creek Park 1117 Teg Drive, Iowa City

Join an unforgettable celebration bidding farewell to an incredible summer and gearing up for the new school year at the "End of Summer Jam" block party!!

Volunteer assistance is needed for a variety of volunteer activities for this event. Utilize the link below for more information or to sign-up:

[NCJC Volunteers: End of the Summer Jam 2025](#)



Shelter House – Johnson County Fair Volunteers

July 19, July 20, July 21

Assist Shelter House at the Johnson County Fair

The Johnson County Fair is coming up quickly and the Fairgrounds are looking for volunteers to help with entry for attendees. Volunteers will help take tickets, handle cash transactions, and admit guests at the gates during the Fair.

Visit this link to review volunteer shift options and to signup:

<https://bit.ly/jcountyfair2025>

For questions or more information contact: volunteer@shelterhouseiowa.org



Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County & St Andrew Presbyterian Church Pheasant Ridge Lunch Bunch Volunteers Needed Monday-Friday 12:00-1:00pm

Help serve free lunch to youth during the 9-week Summer Lunch Bunch program. Currently serving 100 neighborhood kids daily and volunteer help is needed.

Sign-up to volunteer here:

[JULY Lunch Bunch @ Pheasant Ridge 2025](#) [AUGUST Lunch Bunch @ Pheasant Ridge 2025](#)

Contact Molly Schintler for questions: lunchbunch@saintandrew-ic.org



United Action for Youth

July 17 and July 18

Individual and Volunteer Groups

UAY Main Office 1700 1st Ave, Suite 14, Iowa

Volunteers are needed to assist with sorting, organizing, and putting together items for the maternity group home.

For more information or to schedule a volunteer time, contact Olanthda Fields: Olanthda.fields@unitedactionforyouth.org or by phone 574-366-0628



Ronald McDonald House

Prepare A Meal for Families

Bring your group to prepare a meal for families.

We need your help! Summer is the hardest time of year to find groups to make meals for families.

Returning from the hospital to a hot and fresh dinner is definitely the most appreciated amenity offered to guests of the Ronald McDonald House.

Meal groups determine the menu and provide groceries for their meal. All the necessary equipment needed to prepare your meal is available in the kitchen. Dinner is served daily at 5:30pm, and groups are welcome to come anytime starting at 2pm to prepare.

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](#)



Agape Café

Meal Prep Tuesday Afternoons 1:00pm-3:00pm

Breakfast Service Wednesday Mornings 9:00am-11:00am

26 East Market Street at Old Brick Church, Iowa City

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

Volunteers are needed to assist with a Tuesday afternoon prep period and Wednesday service. The afternoon prep involves setting up the dining hall at Old Brick and assembling ingredients for the following morning's breakfast. Wednesday morning volunteer activities include washing dishes, putting away supplies, tables and chairs, etc.

Flexibility with volunteer hours is available. Come early and enjoy a great breakfast.

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



Crowded Closet
MCC THRIFT SHOP

Crowded Closet Thrift Shop

Students: make your summer count!

Crowded Closet is excited to host new and returning student volunteers and community volunteers to help in a variety of roles across donation processing and retail.

Invest in yourself and your community as a Crowded Closet volunteer. You'll gain skills, build your resume, serve locally and make an impact globally! Plus earn Silver Cord hours. Flexible shifts available. Learn more at crowdedcloset.org/volunteer1, or contact the Volunteer Manager at crowdedcloset.schedule@gmail.com or call 319-337-5924 x12.

Crowded Closet Thrift Shop receives donated items and sells them locally to support relief, development, and peacebuilding around the world and in our local community.



Community Crisis Services and Food Bank

Current volunteer needs include the Food Bank, Mobile Pantry, Grocery Delivery Driver, and Financial Services Support

Food Bank Volunteer Signup: [HERE](#)

Mobile Pantry Volunteer Signup (by location): [HERE](#)

Grocery Delivery Driver Volunteer Signup: [HERE](#)

Financial Support Services Volunteer Information: [HERE](#)



Fields of Faith

Planting, weeding, harvesting, and packing produce

**Saturday Mornings May through September 8:00am-10:30am
2554 Cemetery Road NW, Oxford IA 52322 (Johnson County)**

Fields of Faith is a nonprofit farm dedicated to growing and sharing fresh produce with local churches, food banks, and community organizations. Learn hands-on farming and sustainability practices... no experience necessary! Groups welcome.

Volunteers are needed every Saturday morning, May through September.
There will be a special Harvest Day on Saturday, July 5th

Information and Volunteer Sign-up: [Volunteer Opportunities - Fields of Faith](#)
Contact: Jeff Disterhoft (319)-930-5987 or info@fofiowa.org



Houses into Homes

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!!

Delivery and Warehouse Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for furniture deliveries on Saturday July 12, Saturday July 19, Sunday August 10, Saturday August 23: [Click here to sign-up](#)

Volunteers are needed to assist in the warehouse: [Click here to sign-up](#).

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



Shelter House - Individual Volunteer Opportunities

Shifts are flexible to volunteer schedules

Volunteers are needed to help with the following:

- Sorting donations
- Fulfilling client donation requests
- Assisting in the Job Lab to help clients use computers to apply for jobs, create resumes, and apply for housing.

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

Contact: volunteer@shelterhouseiowa.org

Meals on Wheels of Johnson County Flex Meal Delivery Drivers Needed

The Johnson County Meals on Wheels program is looking for additional Flex Drivers. Flex Drivers are substitute drivers who are available to fill in for last minute volunteer cancellations to deliver meals.

Meal delivery takes place Monday-Friday with pick up time between 10:15am and 10:30am. Routes typically take between one to two hours. Meal pickup location is at the Meals on Wheels Coralville office, 2210 9th St. Coralville, IA 52241.

New volunteers will fill out a volunteer application for Johnson County on our [website](#) or with this direct link: <https://www.volgistics.com/appform/196250922> Once approved, volunteers can sign up for this position through the volunteer portal or through Cara directly. Flex volunteers are typically notified the day before the delivery shift.

For additional information or questions, please contact:
Cara Brady, Johnson County Volunteer Coordinator 319-375-3160



Iowa City Free Medical & Dental Clinic Summer 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/>

Use this link to review detailed volunteer role descriptions:
[Volunteer Descriptions – Free Medical and Dental Clinic \(freemedicalclinic.org\)](#)

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



Iowa Valley Habitat for Humanity Construction Volunteers Needed – Iowa City Locations Volunteer shifts available Thursday-Saturday every week 8:00am-12:00pm & 1:00pm-5:00pm

Iowa Valley Habitat for Humanity is always looking for construction volunteers to help with the progress of current builds in the Iowa City area.

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



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/>



Neighborhood Centers of Johnson County New Onsite Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteers are needed to assist with the following:

- **Sewing Class Assistant** – Assist with supporting participants during weekly sewing classes (August Mondays 12:00-1:00) Iowa City Family Resource Center
- **Front Desk Volunteer Assistant** – Greet families and staff as they arrive and help create a welcoming, helpful lobby environment. Assist with communications between parents, teachers, and staff. M-F 7:30am-9:00am Broadway or Pheasant Ridge Neighborhood Center locations (Iowa City)
- **Early Learning Classroom Helper** – Support Early Childhood teachers and toddlers in the classroom. M-F 9:00am-11:00am or 3:30pm-5:30pm
- **Summer Camp Mentor/Helper**– Support school-aged youth at NCJC Summer Camp locations. Mark Twain Elementary and Alexander Elementary. Any hours between 7:30am-5:30pm. Morning volunteers most needed.

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



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



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 don't 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](#)



UnityPoint Health
AbbeHealth Services

Aging Services, Inc. - Pathways Adult Day Health Center Day Program for Seniors and Adults with Disabilities Volunteers Needed - Variety of Activities Available

Pathways can create a custom volunteer experience for individuals or groups and offer one-time or short-term volunteer options. Volunteers can assist with anything from 1:1 time with participants (playing a game, talking, or assisting them during a big group program), helping out with main group activities during crafts or games, coming to help with a holiday party, or administrative tasks such as filing or mailing letters.

If you are interested in learning more about how you can make a difference at Pathways in Iowa City, reach out to Hannah Lenth by e-mail or phone:

Hannah.lenth@unitypoint.org 319-339-6162



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



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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