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# FALL ACTIVITIES

# **Outagamie County Volunteer Services**

The goal of the Thanksgiving Food Basket Program is to ensure that families in need have a more meaningful holiday. Volunteers can donate and deliver a food basket individually, or coordinate a food basket drive for several families. Cash donations are also accepted.

Penny Jane Strauss • 920-832-5515 PennyJane.Strauss@outagamie.org

# ADOPT-A-FAMILY

# **Outagamie County Volunteer Services**

Christmas Adopt-A-Family helps make the holiday a happier time for families in need. Please consider helping a family. **Penny Jane Strauss • 920-832-5515 PennyJane.Strauss@outagamie.org** 

# CHRISTMAS STORES & RETAIL

# **The Salvation Army - Fox Cities**

Volunteers are needed to help families choose gifts from our Toy Shop at our Christmas site. Assist families who have been

# St. Joseph Food Program

Join St. Joseph Food Program as we fight hunger and sustain hope during the holiday season. We are seeking volunteers to pick-up, sort, pack, prepare or distribute grocery items to our registered clients. While we have volunteers Monday through Saturday, most opportunities are Monday, Wednesday, or Friday morning. Most shifts are about 3 hours between 8 AM and Noon. Volunteers should be at least 16 years old, and will need to follow COVID-19 safety protocols. For details, visit us at www.stjoesfoodprogram.org Leah Thibodeau • 920-734-9461 ext. 313 Ithibodeau@stjoesfoodprogram.org

# **CRAFTS & DECORATING**

# **Ascension Mercy Hospital**

Make cards for our patients. The cards can have a holiday theme, get well, thinking of you or other thoughts of caring. Create tray favors for patient meal trays. Make quilts or lap robes (size: 45 X 60 inches) for our patients. Please call or email for guidelines.

### 920-223-0225 · MHVolun@ascension.org

# **ACTIVITIES & EVENTS**

### **SOAR Fox Cities**

adopted to move their gifts from Toy Shop to their vehicles. Traffic control inside and in parking lot, cleaning and other jobs available. Located at 1200 W Kimberly Ave, Kimberly (connected to Fox Valley Christian Fellowship). Dates TBD. Min. age 18.

Karen Vanderwielen • 920-955-1232 karen.vanderwielen@usc.salvationarmy.org

# HOLIDAY PARTIES & MEALS

## Pillars, Inc.

Help serve dinner at Pillars this holiday season. Pillars is seeking individuals and/or groups of up to 6 to serve meals at both Pillars locations. Volunteers over 7 years old are allowed at Pillars Adult & Family Shelter from 4-7 p.m., and 14 years old at Pillars Adult Shelter from 5-8 p.m. Volunteers under age 18 must be accompanied by an adult. Your group does not have to provide the meal, but can provide the meal if you wish. Reserve your spot today!

Tony Schneider • 920-419-0928 tschneider@pillarsinc.org Help make the holidays brighter for people with differing abilities! Seeking 6 to 9 volunteers to help assemble holiday gift bags on December 10th from 1:30-4:00 p.m. Also seeking 4 to 6 volunteers to help prepare the bags for delivery (counting, sorting into delivery containers and labeling) on December 16th from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Both volunteer activities will take place at SOAR Fox Cities, 211 E. Franklin Street, Appleton.

920-731-9831 ext. 127 • volunteer@soarfoxcities.com

### **SOAR Fox Cities**

Spread holiday cheer by delivering holiday treats to individuals with differing abilities! Seeking volunteer drivers (and assistants to ride along) to deliver holiday gift bags to assigned routes on Dec. 16th. Volunteers will report to SOAR Fox Cities (211 E. Franklin Street, Appleton) at 3:30 for directions and to load cars, start deliveries by 4:00 with completion between 6:00 & 7:00 p.m. **920-731-9831 ext. 127 • volunteer@soarfoxcities.com** 

# **The Salvation Army - Fox Cities**

Sign up for our Christmas Programs is now online, so we need volunteers to sign up clients over the phone. Starts in October and goes through early December. Must be able to use a computer/have basic computer skills. Training provided. Min age 18. Located at Housing Services Building 105 S Badger Rd, Appleton.

Gina Cornell • 920-734-2534 or 920-931-2887 Gina.cornell@usc.salvationarmy.org

# **The Salvation Army - Fox Cities**

Bell ringers needed at Red Kettle locations throughout the Fox Cities starting November 13-December 24. Funds raised through bell ringing are used locally to help those in need. No bell ringing on Sundays or Nov 28. 1-hour shifts are available from 8 a.m.-8 p.m. (hrs. vary by location). Min. age 16 (unless w/ parent or guardian) Sign up at registertoring.com.

Alli Oravec • 920-460-9678 allison.oravec@usc.salvationarmy.org

# **CAROLING & VISITING**

# **CP Fox Cities**

Throughout the holiday season our clients would love some holiday entertainment and sharing the spirit. This year, we would plan it via zoom meetings and be a virtual experience. If you have an opportunity, group or play an instrument or sing, and would love to share some holiday cheer, please call or email Rebecca - we are open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday.

# **CASA of the Fox Cities**

All abused/neglected children deserve a voice in the court system as decisions are made about their future. Our advocates build relationships with their assigned child and provide that voice, ensuring that their needs are met while they are in the system. We are looking for volunteers to join our Winter 2021 New Advocate Training Session. Becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) for a child is a unique opportunity to make a profound impact in the life of a child. It you have a passion for helping children, this is the volunteer role for you! Jill Hannemann • 920-257-4733 Jill@casafc.org

# **Outagamie County Mentoring Program**

This one-on-one mentoring program connects youth ages 6 to 17 with adult mentors (age 18+). The program is unique in that all youth are involved in the Child Welfare or Juvenile Justice System and referred for mentoring by county social workers. We always have youth on the waiting list-therefore we always have the need for mentors! We ask mentors to meet with their mentees 4 to 8 hours/month for a minimum of six months. Training and support provided.

Nikki or Kayla • 920-832-5961 hhsmentors@outagamie.org

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Rebecca Kamenick • 920-337-1122 ext 1314 rkamenick@wearecp.org

# **JANUARY IS MENTORING** MONTH

# **Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central** Wisconsin

Now more than ever it is important to make sure that the youth in our communities feel connected and supported. Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central Wisconsin is looking for volunteers that are open to starting a mentoring relationship with a young person in our community. To take the next step, go to: https://www.bbbsecw.org/bigs/application/.





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# HOLIDAY WISH LISTS FROM LOCAL NONPROFITS

Local nonprofits are in need of more than just volunteers. Look over their wish lists for items they need this holiday season and all year long. It's an easy way to make a big impact!

### **Appleton Police Department**

The Appleton Police Department's holiday wish list includes: Hand sanitizers, disposable hand warmers, Keurig pods (coffee or cocoa), pocket packs of tissue, feminine hygiene products, fleece blankets, warm boot socks, flash drives, winter gloves/caps, disinfecting wipes, bottled water, granola bars, fruit snacks, snack packs, pocket sized spiral notebooks, AA, AAA, 9V batteries. **Beth Jasiak • 920-832-5512 beth.jasiak@appleton.org** 

# **Appleton Housing Authority**

All items will go directly to help our Seniors and Families in need! Masks (adult and child), Hand Sanitizer, Hygiene products (both male and female), Coloring books that are sports, animal, or car themed, Word Search and Crossword Puzzles, Gas Cards, Gift cards for Kohl's or Walmart, Books, Cleaning supplies, Socks (all sizes) Gloves (adult and child) Hats (adult and child), Scarves, Blankets, Kleenex, Disinfectant Wipes, Toilet paper.

# **Boys & Girls Clubs of the Fox Valley**

School supplies such as notebooks, folders, pencils & pens, colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, crayons, dry erase markers, glue sticks, calculators. Hygiene products like soap, shampoo & conditioner, tampons, pads and deodorant. Board games, card games, coloring books, puzzles, books, lego sets, dolls, cars. New socks (any sizes), slippers, hats, gloves or mittens. Gift cards for gas, grocery stores, restaurants, Target, or Walmart.

Samantha Packard • 920-750-5834 spackard@bgclubfoxvalley.org

# Big Brothers Big Sisters of East Central Wisconsin

Program needs: backpacks, holiday meal baskets for families, winter gloves and hats, gift cards (restaurants/fast food, groceries, and gas), arts & craft supplies, and board games. **Kathryn Johann • 920-383-4903 kjohann@bbbsecw.org** 

Kari Godsill • 920-882-2100 Karig@appletonhousing.org

# **Ascension Mercy Hospital**

Donate New children's books, crayons, stickers, or colored pencils. New adult or childrens' word search, puzzle books and coloring books are also welcome. 920-223-0225 • MHVolun@ascension.org

# **BEAMING**, Inc.

We need gas cards to offset the cost of transporting our riders between home and the barn (we are a therapeutic horseback riding organization for special needs children and veterans). Other BEAMING needs are: printer paper, postage, in-kind printing, sharpies, laminating paper, metal folding chairs, and gift cards for volunteers. In addition, due to COVID-19 we need Lysol wipes and disinfectant spray, paper towels and disposable gloves and masks.

Katie Samuelson • 920-851-6160 Incbeaming@gmail.com

# **CASA of the Fox Cities**

New Legos, dolls of color, craft kits, STEM toys, action figures, cars/trucks, books with children of color, and any toys that support relationship-building are needed in our resource library. These items are brought into homes by our Court Appointed Special Advocate volunteers (CASAs), who work with abused and neglected children. We also are in need of gift cards from Target and Walmart to purchase holiday and birthday gifts for the children we serve. Large and extra-large gift bags and tissue paper, for both holiday and birthday gift giving. Donations can be dropped at 1500 N Casaloma Drive, Appleton, Suite 200.

Jill Hannemann • 920-257-4733 jill@casafc.org

## **Children's Wisconsin**

Children's Wisconsin is in need of action figures for both boys and girls, small LEGO kits, advanced LEGO kits, headphones, infant nooks, rattles and teethers, newborn clothes, and gift cards (Target, Amazon, iTunes) in small denominations (\$10). All holiday donations must receive by December 15 and will only be accepted by appointment at our Corporate Center. **George Davis • 920-967-9129 GDavis@CHW.org** 

### **Father Carr's Place 2B**

Binders, notebooks, 2021-2022 Planners, highlighters, pens, pencils, socks (women, children, men),

headphones/earbuds, Android/Apple chargers, gift cards (Walmart, Kwik Trip, etc.), coloring books (adult & children), colored pencils, crayons, markers, hats (women, children, men), gloves/mittens (women, children, men), and scarves (women, children, men). All donations can be dropped off at the Mother Teresa Center on 1062 N. Koeller St. Oshkosh, WI 54902 until January 31, 2021 between 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. John Nieman • 920-231-2378

johnnieman@fathercarrs.org

# **Fox Valley Humane Association**

IAMS or Purina One dog food (wet and dry), IAMS or Purina One cat food (wet and dry), canned pate cat food, nonclumping clay litter, new small and medium cat litter boxes, gift cards: gas, Fleet Farm, or any local pet store, Martingale collars, treat dispensing toys, spray cheese, soft dog and cat treats, Greenies dog pill pockets, cat toys, plastic frisbees, kennels, lemon Pine-Sol, bleach, liquid laundry soap, tall kitchen garbage bags, 33-gallon trash bags, powder dishwasher soap, hand soap & hand sanitizer, Dawn dish soap, rubber gloves.

Andrea Sword • 920-733-1717 ext. 111 volunteers@foxvalleypets.org

# Jefferson Elementary and Fox River Academy Community School Resource Center

The Jefferson Elementary and Fox River Academy Community School Resource Center is in need of the following items for our family take-home holiday craft kits: 500 1-gallon Ziploc bags, 200 large craft sticks, 50 each of red, green, black and orange pipe cleaners, 25 pairs (or more) new large white socks, 25 pairs (or more) new colorful holiday fuzzy socks, 500 assorted small-medium buttons, 50 (or more) flameless LED tealights. Gift cards to craft stores, Target, or Aldi. Drop off: Jefferson Elementary, 1000 S. Mason St., Appleton.

Leah Zwiers • 920-832-6349 zwiersleah@aasd.k12.wi.us

# LEAVEN

During the COVID-19 crisis, LEAVEN has remained open virtually to help clients in financial crisis with limited monetary assistance and community referrals. LEAVEN also distributes hygiene items to clients on a limited basis. Needed items include: shampoo, body wash, soap, deodorant, toothbrushes and toothpaste. We also need cleaning products such as: cleaning wipes, disinfectant and garbage bags. Gift cards to local grocery stores also allow us to help families with additional needs. Items can be delivered to LEAVEN Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

Kiara West • 920-257-5696 kiara.west@leavenfoxcities.org

# Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes

Paper (both white and colored), tissue paper, small notebooks, white t-shirts or canvas bags to decorate, stamping supplies, markers, glue, feathers, pipe cleaners, Beanie Babies, & other crafting supplies. Any size or amount will do!

Krissy Hansen • 920-955-3383 khansen@gsnwgl.org

# **Girls on the Run Northeast Wisconsin**

Skinny, washable markers, mechanical pencils, and click pens (pens without caps). We also wish for arts and crafts supplies and colored printer paper. Items can be dropped off at 307 S Commercial Street, Suite 104, Neenah 54956, or we can pick it up.

Kathy Olson • 920-209-5866 kathy.olson@girlsontherun.org

# Linwood Place, a Ministry of Fox Valley Lutheran Homes

Due to COVID, our senior tenants are self isolating and are lonely. Small care package items to let them know that our community is thinking of them could include notes of encouragement, large print crossword puzzle and word find books, 500-1000 piece puzzles, packs of greeting cards, individually wrapped snacks, face masks, hand sanitizer, books, face tissue and adult coloring books and pencils. Lynn Ann Clausing Rusch • 920-734-7225 lynnann.fvlhomes@gmail.com

# **Mosquito Hill Nature Center**

Bird seed, especially black sunflower and Nyjer seed, Gift cards to CHS Larsen Coop, Festival Foods, New London Building Supply, Tractor Supply Co. (all New London), Fleet Farm, Kwik Trip, Michael's, Office Max; rechargeable LED work lights; surge protector power strips; disposable handwarmers; hot cocoa packets. Drop off or mail to Mosquito Hill Nature Center, N3880 Rogers Road, New London WI 54961.

Mary Swifka • 920-779-6433 Mary.swifka@outagamie.org

### **Rawhide Youth Services**

Gently used or new office furniture, recreational equipment, art supplies, Kwik Trip gift cards, Amazon gift cards, backpacks. And as always; cars, trucks, motorcycles, or vans for our vehicle program.

Stacey Eggleston • 920-531-2598 seggleston@rawhide.org

### **SOAR Fox Cities**

Quart size bags, hot cocoa packets, mini marshmallows, Hershey kisses, clear ornaments, mini pom-poms, cinnamon sticks, twine, mini holiday/winter coloring books, small sets of crayons, winter stampers, candy canes, gift cards for Michael's Craft, Hobby Lobby, Amazon, or Walmart, bus passes, mittens/gloves, hats, scarves, blankets, towels, postage stamps, non-perishable food, hygiene products. Donations needed by Dec. 14th. Call or email to schedule a drop off of donations to our office: SOAR Fox Cities, 211 E. Franklin Street, Appleton. **920-731-9831 ext. 127** 

volunteer@soarfoxcities.com

# **St. Joseph Food Program**

St. Joe's relies on the generosity of this great community to provide nutritious food for our qualifying families. Cereal, canned meats, canned fruits and low-sodium soups are helpful. We are also in need of dry-erase markers, paper towels, copy paper, and first-class stamps. Visit our website at www.stjoesfoodprogram.org/hostfood-drive to find a full list of needed foods or to register your own food drive. If you have any questions, call our office and ask for our operations manager. **920-734-9461** 

# **The Salvation Army - Fox Cities**

Toys, games, and puzzles. Teen gifts. Gift cards to local retailers, suggested \$25 min. to \$50 max. value per card. Nonperishable food items: turkeys, hams, and chickens. **Karen Vanderwielen • 920-955-1232 karen.vanderwielen@usc.salvationarmy.org** 

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