



United Way of Lake County

2022
Holiday Guide
to giving & volunteering

Happy Holidays!

United Way of Lake County is proud to present our annual Holiday Guide, an easy-to-use guide filled with holiday volunteering and giving opportunities throughout the Lake County community.

Donate as an individual or unite your friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers to spread the holiday cheer with children and families in need and deserving of our help. When we work together and LIVE UNITED, we make a tremendous impact on our community!

We wish you a safe and happy holiday season,

United Way of Lake County



Be sure to tag us on social @unitedwaylakeco when volunteering throughout Lake County this holiday season!

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Note: If you wish to organize a collection drive or volunteer project, please contact the agency first to confirm the need and plan for collection details.

Please keep in mind that these organizations need help every day, and that opportunities to volunteer change frequently during the holiday season. Opportunities listed in this guide do not represent all available opportunities. For more information on volunteer and donation opportunities, please visit 211LakeCounty.org.

WAYS TO SUPPORT UNITED WAY OF LAKE COUNTY

One of the best ways to experience the spirit of the holidays is to give back to those in need.

At United Way of Lake County, we believe that preparing children to thrive in school and creating safe and stable families is the best way to disrupt poverty. That's why we engage in activities that are focused on ensuring children are ready for their first day of school, students are reading at grade level, youth are graduating from high school with a plan for their future, and families have the resources they need to thrive.

This holiday season, please consider making a gift to support children and families who need and deserve our help.

Visit LIVEUNITEDlakecounty.org/donate to make your holiday gift.

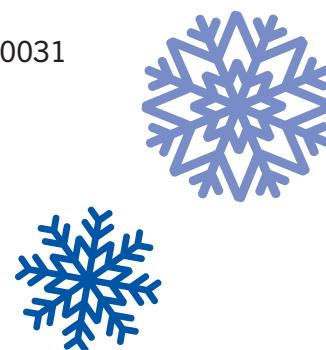
When you invest in our community, our neighbors, our children – together we achieve long-lasting results. **GIVE LOCAL. LIVE UNITED.**

For more information, contact United Way of Lake County:

Contact: Bobbi.Selvik@uwlakeco.org

Phone: (847) 775-1022

Address: 330 South Greenleaf Street, Gurnee, IL 60031



UNITED WAY WISHLIST



In-Kind Donations

- Tissues
- Clorox wipes
- Construction paper
- Puzzles for 0 to 5 year-olds
- Learning games for 0 to 5-year-olds (Blocks, Legos)
- Play-Doh
- Diapers
- Paper towels



Clothing

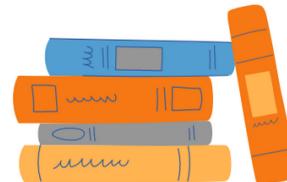
Schools are often in need of new underwear for children who have had accidents or need a clean change. Up to child size 12.

Warm winter outerwear such as coats, hats, mittens, gloves, boots, and socks are in need during the long winter months.

Books

Help us collect books for our Success By 6 Program.

- New children's books, ages 0 to 10.
- Spanish language children's books



School Supplies

- Crayola crayons
- Crayola markers
- Earbuds or headphones
- Dry-erase markers
- Personal sized (9x12) lined white/dry erase boards
- Glue sticks
- Index cards
- Clorox wipes



- Pink erasers
- Plain single colored 17" backpacks
- Pencil sharpeners
- Pencil boxes
- Pocket folders
- Sandwich bags
- Spiral notebooks
- Scissors

Warm Winter Clothing Drive

United Way of Lake County will be collecting new and gently used warm winter clothing through **December 8th**.

- Donate coats and jackets sizes infant to teen
- Donate boots sizes infant to teen
- Donate hats, gloves, and scarves for all children



United Way of Lake County's office is open Monday through Thursday between 9 am and 4 pm. To drop off items outside of these days or times, please schedule a donation drop-off time with **Bobbi Selvik** at bobbi.selvik@uwlakeco.org. Please note that the office will be closed for the holiday season between December 21 through January 2.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

A SAFE PLACE



A Safe Place is the leading advocate for eliminating domestic violence and human trafficking in Northern Illinois. A Safe Place provides a 24-hour crisis line, case management, legal advocacy, emergency shelter, individual and group therapy, art therapy, affordable transitional and permanent housing, scattered site housing, outreach and supportive services to survivors of domestic violence and their children, mentoring for adolescent boys, supervised custody exchanges, supervised family visitations, education on healthy relationships for teens, community and professional education, and intervention services for abusers to learn accountability for their choices and actions.

A Safe Place volunteer opportunity:

Thanksgiving for all. Please help us give our clients something to be thankful for this Thanksgiving by providing them with food baskets. Volunteers will help put baskets together. These baskets will be given to clients to celebrate Thanksgiving. If you're unable to volunteer, consider donating a Thanksgiving basket!

We need 2 to 4 volunteers the week of November 7th. Volunteers must be 18 years of age or older.

Contact: Teresa Martinez-Guzman

Phone: (847) 731-7165 (ext. 1025)

Email: tmartinezguzman@asafeplaceforhelp.org

Address: 2710 17th St.
Zion, IL 60099

BEACON PLACE



At Beacon Place, our mission is to inspire and guide the children and families in our neighborhood toward a brighter tomorrow. We do this through a community center and core programs that focus on building healthy lifestyles, academic education and enrichment, and programs that build stronger families and communities.

Beacon Place volunteer opportunity:

We are looking for volunteers to staff our after-school Education and Enrichment programs for students grades 1-7. There are openings for both Classroom Lead and Assistant roles. In short, Lead volunteers are responsible for leading the classes through the lesson plans that are created by our staff. Assistants provide additional support to the students and lead volunteers as needed, as well as help with tasks like check-in and dispersing nametags. Lead volunteers must submit a criminal background check, and experience working with children is preferred.

Dates and times: Monday through Wednesday after school and Saturday mornings through November 19th.
Sign-Up online at beacon-place.volunteerhub.com/vv2

Contact: Dan White

Phone: (847) 497-5787

Email: d.white@beacon-place.org

Address: 603 S. McAlister Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085



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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

BIG BROTHERS BIG SISTERS OF METROPOLITAN CHICAGO

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Chicago is an affiliate of the nation's largest donor and volunteer-supported mentoring network. We provide high-quality 1:1 mentoring services to over 2,000 children and their families across Cook, DuPage and Lake Counties in Illinois and Indiana. We carefully match children, whom we call "Littles," with positive volunteer mentors, whom we call "Bigs." Throughout their mentoring relationship, we monitor and support the match, providing safety and quality measures, activity ideas, and goals. Our programs are proven to keep kids in school, out of trouble and on the path to post-graduate success.

Big Brother/Big Sister volunteer opportunity:

Being a Big Brother or Big Sister is one of the most enjoyable things you will ever do. Not to mention one of the most fulfilling. You will be matched in a one-to-one mentoring relationship with a child in your community. Bigs and Littles spend quality time sharing local culture, exploring new educational opportunities, and developing new skills and hobbies. You have the chance to help shape a child's future for the better by inspiring positive change.

Role and responsibility of volunteer type: Meet with your mentee ("Little") for a few hours 2-4 times a month. All volunteers enroll for a one-year commitment but many choose to continue their match relationship.

Age restrictions: 21+ years

Contact: Muna Walker
Phone: (847) 497-5787
Email: walker@bbbsschgo.org
Address: 560 W. Lake St., 5th Floor
Chicago, IL 60661

CASA LAKE COUNTY

Court Appointed Special Advocates volunteers help abused and neglected foster children in the juvenile court system.

Role and responsibility of volunteer type: No experience necessary, 30 hours of virtual training every eight weeks (day and night sessions offered). Volunteers devote approximately ten hours a month to advocacy roles. Additional responsibilities include monthly visits to the foster home, writing about four court reports a year, attending court hearings, and communicating with the child's teachers, doctors, social workers, etc. Ensuring the child is safe and healthy during their time in foster care.

Age restrictions: 25+ years

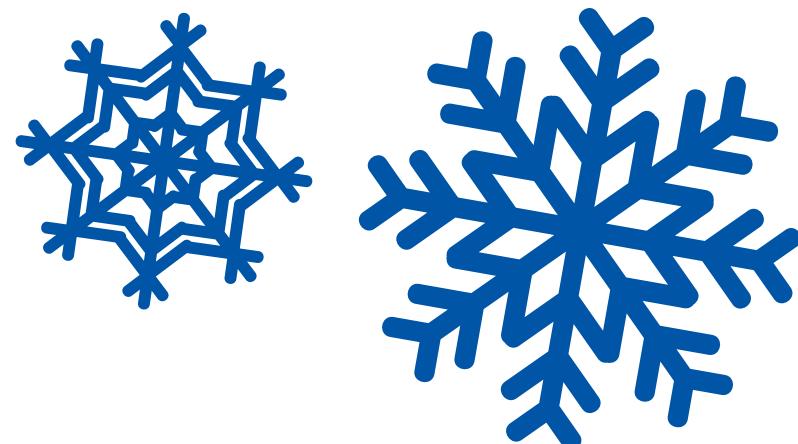
Dates and times: 2-year Commitment, 10 hours per month

Contact: Lori Petersen

Phone: (847) 782-4126

Email: lpetersen@casalakecounty.com

Address: 700 Forest Edge Dr.
Vernon Hills, IL 60061



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

THE CATHOLIC CHARITIES



The Catholic Charities Christmas Gift Program provides gifts to needy families, children and seniors throughout Lake County. Disadvantaged families and seniors are matched with donors who purchase gifts based on the recipient's wish list. Donors may be individuals, churches, corporations, schools or donor groups. Recipients are screened to determine need. Religious affiliation for donors or recipients is not a criterion. Volunteers are needed to check, sort and hand out the gifts.

Several volunteer opportunities are available:

12/05 -12/07: Volunteers are needed to receive, sort and check gifts as donors drop them off.

12/08 - 12/10: Volunteers must hand out gifts to recipients.

12/12: Volunteers are needed in various capacities to give out the remaining gifts.

12/13: 9 am to noon. Volunteers to help us pack up and clean up.

Age restrictions: Must be 12 or older.

Volunteers under 16 must be accompanied by an adult

Contact: Susan Fowler

Phone: (847) 782-4126

Email: sfowler@catholiccharities.net

Address: 671 S Lewis Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085

COMMUNITY ACTION PARTNERSHIP OF LAKE COUNTY



Community Action Partnership of Lake County (CAPOLC) helps low-income families reach self-sufficiency through emergency assistance from immediate aid, case management, prevention services, and scholarships. Our organization also helps families by providing access to preschools, veteran housing, and other opportunities. We serve more than 24,000 people a year. We work to strengthen, promote, and represent the voice of more than 30 million people living in poverty.

Community Action Partnership of Lake County volunteer opportunity:
Holiday Food Basket Volunteers will serve approximately 400 households during the Christmas Holidays.

Roles and Volunteer types needed:

- Unload approximately two truckloads of food (perishable and non-perishable)
- Food Sorting, then packing food into Holiday Baskets
- Distribution of Food Baskets (includes on giveaway dates, assisting recipients with their vehicle, heavy lifting)
- Driver (26' dock-level truck)
- Clean up
- Packing up and reloading remaining food items onto the truck
- Unloading remaining food items into Food Pantry
- Stacking and organizing remaining food items in the Food Pantry

Volunteer assignments will include lifting, standing, bending, and customer service skills. All volunteers will be required to maintain social distancing and follow COVID-19 guidelines

Age restrictions: Must be 18 or older

Contact: Lisa Hayes

Phone: (847) 249-4330

Email: lisa.hayes@caplakecounty.org

Address: 2424 Washington St.
Waukegan, IL 60085

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



COOL MINISTRIES

The mission of COOL Ministries is to give comprehensive assistance to families in need by reducing hunger and homelessness while encouraging personal growth and self-sufficiency.

Cool Ministries volunteer opportunity:

Volunteers assist with stocking groceries and help make food boxes a week before Thanksgiving and a week before Christmas. Maximum of 5 volunteers.

Age restrictions: Children ages 14 and older are welcome to participate if accompanied by an adult.

Contact: Cindy Hinkemeyer,
Pantry Operations Manager

Phone: (847) 662-1230

Email: chinkemeyer@coolministries.org

Address: 800 West Glen Flora Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - LAKE COUNTY

Habitat for Humanity Lake County has provided homes for more than 200 families in Lake County, providing permanent housing for more than 600 people. HFHLC also tithes 10% of our undesignated funds to build homes internationally. Every night over 1700 people sleep in a safe, decent and affordable home through the efforts of HFHLC's volunteers, donors, partners, and staff.

Habitat for Humanity LC volunteer opportunity:

Spectacular Sales Floor / Wonderful Warehouse Volunteers in our ReStore - Gurnee

Role duties:

- Customer Service
- Organize and price merchandise
- Keep store stocked, clean, organized, and safe
- Help inform the customers about ReStore, Habitat for Humanity and volunteerism.
- Assist customers and donors in loading/unloading vehicles
- Building/putting together furniture for our sales floor

Age restrictions: 15 -17 year-olds; must be with an adult volunteer

Dates and times: Monday - Saturday 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

We ask that shifts are at least two hours within this window, but you are welcome to sign up for as long as you like! No commitment necessary.

Contact: Rebecca Frese

Phone: (847) 623-1020

Email: rfrese@habitatlc.org

Address: 315 N MLK Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

KIDS ABOVE ALL



Kids Above All provides individually tailored services, such as counseling, early childhood education, foster care and adoption, and housing, to vulnerable children and families in Cook, DuPage, Kane, and Lake counties. Kids Above All in-home, trauma-informed programs ensure that our clients build a strong foundation for the best possible life.

Kids Above All volunteer opportunities:

Toy Room Helper

Assist with sorting, organizing, and packing presents for the children in our programs during the Kids Above All Holiday Gift Drive.

The Toy Room is open from December 6 thru December 12, Monday thru Friday from 9 am to 6 pm and weekends from 10 am to 2 pm.

Volunteers must be ten years of age or older.

Sponsor a Child

Make sure the holiday wishes of a child in our care come true by donating new toys, clothes, and books during our Holiday Gift Drive in early December.

Contact: Zulma Colon,
VP of Resource Development

Phone: (773) 867-7361

Email: zcolon@kidsaboveall.org

Address: 8765 W Higgins Rd., Suite 450
Chicago, IL 60633

KEEPING FAMILIES COVERED

Keeping Families Covered provides diapers and other basic needs to families at no cost. Our mission is to eliminate barriers to accessing basic human needs for the most vulnerable residents in our community.

Keeping Families Covered volunteer opportunities:

Pack period supply kits!

Help pack period supply kits for women and girls in our community! Pick up all the supplies needed to pack 50 kits at our Waukegan office (between 10 am and 2 pm on Friday) and return your completed kits the following Monday. Please call our office when you are on your way to pick up supplies and when you plan to drop off the kits.

Create cards of cheer for families!

Help make cards of cheer for the families we serve! Pick up all the supplies needed to create 25 cards at our Waukegan office (between 10 am and 2 pm on Monday) and return your completed cards the following Friday. Please call our office when you are on your way to pick up supplies and when you plan to drop off the completed cards.

Be a subdivision superhero:

Get neighbors to help neighbors by hosting a contact-free diaper drive! Just give us a call between 10 am and 2 pm to pick up all the supplies you will need at our Waukegan office and then get your neighbors to drop off diaper donations in the box on your front porch. It is that easy!

Contact: Ann Marie Mathis

Phone: (224) 637-1644

Website: keepingfamiliescovered.org

Address: 3250-B N. Oak Grove Ave.
Waukegan, Illinois 60087

LOVE INC OF LAKE COUNTY

The mission of Love in the Name of Christ (Love INC) is to mobilize local churches to transform lives and communities, In the Name of Christ. Our churches help meet the tangible needs of our community while building relationships that lead to lasting change.

Love INC of Lake County volunteer opportunities:

Lots of opportunities!

Our ministries are vast, so are the serving opportunities! Join us at an orientation to learn more about how we serve and where you can connect.

Check out some options on our website: loveinlakecounty.org/share-your-time

Age restrictions: Children under 16 are welcome to serve when accompanied by an adult.

Dates and times: Days and times vary.

Contact: Laurie Mueller Comilla

Phone: (847) 782-8630 x120

Website: keepingfamiliescovered.org

Address: 339 Lakewood Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60087



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

NORTHERN IL FOOD BANK



Northern Illinois Food Bank is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and proud member of Feeding America. Our distribution centers are located in Geneva, Lake Forest, Rockford, and Joliet. Nearly 1,000 volunteers help us evaluate, repack, and distribute food each week.

Northern IL Food Bank volunteer opportunity:

In order to solve hunger in our 13-county service area, we rely on our generous donors, volunteers, and community partners — the local food pantries and feeding programs, food manufacturers and retailers, companies, foundations, and individuals who join with us in our vision for no one to be hungry in Northern Illinois. Volunteers assist with evaluating, sorting, labeling, and packing items such as frozen meat, oatmeal, produce, etc. With this help, we can distribute the product to our network partners.

Age restrictions: Volunteers must be 8 years of age or older

Contact: Sucely Garcia

Phone: (630) 443-6910

Email: sgarcia@northernilfoodbank.org

Address: 13950 W. Business Center Dr.
Lake Forest, IL 60045



WAUKEGAN TOWNSHIP STABEN HOUSE

Waukegan Township Staben House provides transitional housing and community enrichment service to homeless women with children. We strive to develop goals with families, assist them in establishing and sustaining permanent housing, increasing skill, income, and achieving greater self-determination.

Waukegan Township Staben House volunteer opportunity:

Volunteer opportunities are available to assist our residents with various in-house activities during this holiday season. Whether it's hosting a meal or donating time to provide tutoring for our children, any help is welcome. Please get in touch with us for more details on how to help.

- Host breakfast, lunch or dinner for our residents
- Providing a Thanksgiving or Christmas meal
- Cooking class
- In-house activities for our children: reading, piano, painting, or tutoring

All volunteers are required to wear a face mask for the health and safety of our families.

Age restrictions: Volunteers must be 8 years of age or older

Contact: Loretta Pable

Phone: (847) 244-9944

Email: lpable@waukegantownship.com

Address: 3000 Grand Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085

AGENCY WISH LISTS

A SAFE PLACE



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You can help A Safe Place clients celebrate the holidays this season by donating holiday gifts for the women and children in our program, or household supplies that our clients are in great need of. All items collected are greatly appreciated!

Donations will be accepted until Friday, December 17, 2021. Please email Maria Dittmer at mdittmer@asafeplaceforhelp.org to schedule a donation drop off time.

Wish List:

- Small appliances (toaster, blender, crock pots, pots, pans)
- Gift cards to Target or Walmart
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Detergent pods
- Hairbrushes
- Baby wash, shampoo, lotion, etc.
- Ethnic hair products
- Men's and momen's deodorant
- Body wash

Contact: Teresa Martinez-Guzman

Phone: (847) 731-7165 (ext. 1025)

Email: tmartinezguzman@asafeplaceforhelp.org

Address: 2710 17th St.
Zion, IL 60099

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In preparation for our Holiday events at Beacon Place, we will be collecting new toys and household items for oue annual Holiday Boutique.

Wish List:

(Children ages 5 and up, teens, young adults and adults)

Gifts for kids (new condition only please)

- Legos
- Jewelry Making Kits
- Trucks
- Dolls
- Puzzles & games
- Squishmallows
- Crafting experiences

Gifts for teens

- Sweatpants
- Sweatshirts
- Make-up
- Jewelry
- Small speakers for phones

Household Items

- Dental hygiene products
- Shower and bath products
- First-aid products
- Toilet paper
- Blankets
- Tampons and pads
- School supplies
- Household sanitation products
- Underwear and socks
- Etc.

Contact: Dan White

Phone: (847) 497-5787

Email: d.white@beacon-place.org

Address: 603 S. McAlister Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085

AGENCY WISH LISTS

CASA LAKE COUNTY

CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) Lake County, advocate for abused and neglected foster children in the juvenile court system.

Gift cards:

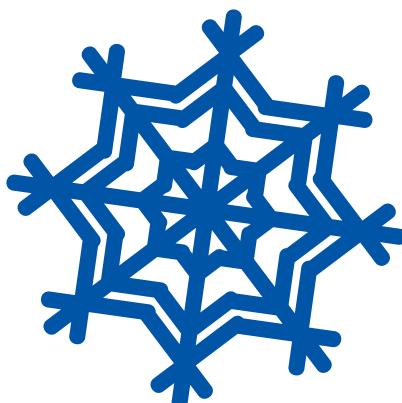
- Target
- Walmart
- Gas stations
- Grocery stores

Contact: Lori Petersen

Phone: (847) 383-6260 x205

Email: lpetersen@casalakecounty.com

Address: 700 Forest Edge Dr.
Vernon Hills, IL 60061



FAMILY FOCUS

Family Focus has been operating in Lake County since 1984. Our goal is to promote the well-being of children from birth by supporting and strengthening families in and with their communities.

The Family Focus staff serving Lake County families is facing a new challenge following the mass shooting in Highland Park on the 4th of July. Many of our participants residing in Highland Park and Highwood and the surrounding communities attended the parade with young children, have family members who were injured or shot, or are close to someone who lost his or her life. Parents lost wages, are afraid to leave their homes, are experiencing heightened levels of anxiety, and need constant support. Children are having nightmares, are fearful of sirens and other loud noises, and are struggling when family members leave the home.

Wish List:

- Food/food baskets
- Bilingual books for young children, focusing on feelings
- Soft toys
- Soft blankets
- Scented comfort toys
- Educational toys
- Dolls with faces depicting feelings
- Transportation or gas station gift cards
- Warm winter clothes for children birth to 5 year-olds

Contact: Bobbie Hinden, Director

Phone: (847) 433-0377 ext.1

Email: bobbie.hinden@family-focus.org

Address: 330 Laurel Ave.
Highland Park, IL 60035

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY LAKE COUNTY

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You can help our Partner Families' holiday wishes come true by donating building materials that will go toward the first home they will call their very own.

Wish List:

- 2 inch siding nails
- 2 inch cap roofing nails
- 1 1/4 inch drywall screws
- 1 1/4 drywall nails
- Chalk lines
- Caulk guns
- 25 ft measuring tape
- Utility knives
- K-95 dust masks
- Safety glasses
- Work gloves
- Broom
- Push broom

Contact: Rebecca Frese

Phone: (847) 623-1020 ext.1

Email: rfrese@habitatlc.org

Address: 315 N Milwaukee Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085

AGENCY WISH LISTS



HOUSE OF PEACE

The House of Peace Shelter provides a secure, temporary residence for women and children suffering from domestic violence. The House of Peace is part of Catholic Charities. The House of Peace mission is to Heal, Empower and Sustain.

Wish List:

- New pillows
- Laundry detergent
- Toilet paper
- Twin bed size sheet sets
- Shampoo and conditioner
- Clorox wipes
- Bar soaps
- Toothpaste

Contact: Aida Segura, Director

Phone: (224) 430-4977

Email: asegura@catholiccharities.net

Address: 671 South Lewis Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085



HP COMMUNITY EARLY LEARNING CENTER

HP Community provides high-quality, licensed, early childhood education and cares to children ages 2 to 5. We are committed to providing a safe, educational and nurturing environment where children feel safe, cared for and respected. Children and families are nurtured and supported, and diversity is celebrated. We offer affordable programs with fees based on a sliding scale (through the Dept. of Human Services) and scholarships (based on application). A third of our students attend school through the State of Illinois Child Care Assistance Program, a third attend on scholarship, and a third are full-fee families.

Our lower-income students need winter snow wear such as waterproof mittens, snow pants and boots. Many children also need warm socks to change into if they arrive at school with wet shoes from walking in the snow.

Wish List:

- Gift Cards to Target, Amazon to purchase waterproof mittens
- Waterproof snow mittens (ages 3-5 & ages 5-8)
- Snow boots for children (ages 3-7)
- Winter hats
- Socks (ages 3-5)

Contact: Paula

Phone: (847) 433-3301

Email: paula@hpcommunity.org

Address: 640 Ridge Rd.
Highland Park IL 60035

INDEPENDENCE CENTER

Independence Center provides services to adults with severe and persistent mental illness including housing, job placement, therapy, case management, crisis intervention, psychosocial rehabilitation and community support.

We serve adults with mental illness who live in poverty and many of whom do not have homes.

Wish List:

- Small denomination gift cards
- Toiletries
- Laundry detergent
- Socks
- Winter weather gear
- Towels
- Pots and pans
- Dinnerware
- Flatware
- Utensils

Contact: Katrina Haywood

Phone: (847) 360-1020

Email: khaywood@icwaukegan.org

Address: 2025 Washington St.
Waukegan IL 60085



AGENCY WISH LISTS

KEEPING FAMILIES COVERED



Keeping Families Covered provides diapers and other basic needs to families at no cost. We also raise awareness about diaper need and period poverty while working to build sustainable programs in Lake County. Our mission is to eliminate the barriers that exist to accessing basic human needs for the most vulnerable residents in our community.

Parenting is challenging, but it is even more difficult when you lack the necessities. Diapers are a basic need for children—as essential to their health and well-being as food, shelter and a parent's love. Yet many families struggle to afford them, and limited resources exist to help them. Keeping Families Covered believes that every parent should be able to provide basic needs for their children. With your support, we can provide families with the basics they need to thrive and reach their full potential.

Wish List:

- Disposable baby diapers (Sizes 4, 5 & 6)
 - Boys/Girls training pants (Sizes 3T-4T & 4T-5T)
 - Baby wipes
 - Boys & Girls clothing - all seasons (Size 24M through youth size 12)
 - Children's books (0-5 range)
 - Adult incontinence products
 - Pads & tampons
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- Stuffed animals
 - Board books (Spanish and English)
 - New hats and gloves, all ages
 - Coloring books
 - Crayons
 - Board games
 - Puzzles
 - Educational toys
 - Play-Doh
 - Body lotions
 - Hair accessories
 - Nail polish kits
 - Sports equipment (football, basketball, soccer ball)
 - Books (ages 13-19)
 - Socks (all ages)
 - Underwear (all ages)
 - Undershirts (for ages 13-19)
 - Coats (all ages)
 - Hoodies
 - Diapers

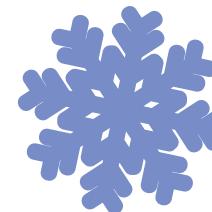
Contact: Ann Marie Mathis

Phone: (244) 637-1644

Email: annmarie@keepingfamiliescovered.org

Address: 3250-B N. Oak Grove Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085

Website: keepingfamiliescovered.org



KIDS ABOVE ALL



Kids Above All provides individually tailored services, such as counseling, early childhood education, foster care and adoption, and housing, to vulnerable children and families in Cook, DuPage, Kane, and Lake counties.

Wish List:

- Stuffed animals
- Board books (Spanish and English)
- New hats and gloves, all ages
- Coloring books
- Crayons
- Board games
- Puzzles
- Educational toys
- Play-Doh
- Body lotions
- Hair accessories
- Nail polish kits
- Sports equipment (football, basketball, soccer ball)
- Books (ages 13-19)
- Socks (all ages)
- Underwear (all ages)
- Undershirts (for ages 13-19)
- Coats (all ages)
- Hoodies
- Diapers

Contact: Zulma Colon,
VP of Resource Development

Phone: (773) 867-7361

Email: zcolon@kidsaboveall.org

Address: 8765 W Higgins Road, Suite 450
Chicago, IL 60633

AGENCY WISH LISTS

LAKE COUNTY HAVEN



The Lake County Haven empowers homeless women and their children to achieve permanent, independent living. The Haven offers a variety of services to each of its residents, such as counseling, case management, life-skills training, etc.

You can help the women and children residents at our shelters stay safe and healthy this holiday season.

Meal Donations: Sign up to donate a meal or groceries at lakecountyhaven.org/get-involved/volunteer/meal-donations

Wish List:

- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Bottles of liquid hand soap (no hand sanitizer, please)
- Powder (only) laundry detergent
- Bleach
- Powder (only) dishwasher detergent
- Bottles of liquid dishwashing detergent
- Spray bottles of all-purpose cleaner—without bleach (e.g., Spic & Span, Lysol)
- Disinfectant wipes for surfaces (no hand disinfectant/antibacterial wipes, please)
- Bottles of household cleaners (e.g., Lysol, Pine-Sol, Mr. Clean, Fabuloso)
- Spray bottles/cans of glass cleaner (e.g., Windex)
- Spray cans of furniture polish (e.g., Pledge)
- Toilet bowl cleaner & toilet bowl brushes
- Heavier-duty cotton (or microfiber) string mops & mop head replacements
- Household brooms
- Sandwich bags (e.g., Ziploc)
- Gallon freezer bags (e.g., Ziploc)

- Large garbage bags (30 gallon)
- Tall kitchen garbage bags (13 gallon)
- Body wash (full-size bottles)
- Hair conditioner (full-size bottles)
- Bath towels (new)
- Bathroom hand towels (new)
- Individual plastic shower caddies with handles
- Small bedside electric alarm clocks
- Plastic clothes hangers (adult standard size), bundles of 10+
- Women's slippers - M, L & XL (new)
- Women's bathrobes - M, L, XL & XXL (new)
- Standard-size bed pillows (new)
- Standard pillowcases (new)
- Twin-size sheet sets-adult (new)
- Twin-size navy, gray or black blankets-adult (new; no throws, please)
- Ice melt (salt or comparable product for driveways/walkways)
- Gift cards: Target, Walmart, Menards, Aldi, Jewel, Walgreens & Visa (adult, new)

Contact: Jeff Lyall

Phone: (847) 680 -1870

Email: volunteer@lakecountyhaven.org

Address: 117 McKinley Ave.
Libertyville, IL

LOVE INC OF LAKE COUNTY

The mission of Love In the Name of Christ (Love INC) is to mobilize local churches to transform lives & communities, In the Name of Christ. Our churches help meet tangible needs of our community, while building relationships that lead to lasting change.

Through our Furniture & Household Starter Kit ministries, our churches share basic items with individuals and families in need. People get connected to us through local caseworkers, schools, and churches.

Wish List:

- Full-sized blankets and comforters
- Full-sized sheet sets
- Full & twin mattress pads
- 10" or 12" skillets
- 2- or 3-quart saucepans
- Cookie sheets
- Baking dishes
- Toasters
- Microwaves
- More items on our Amazon wish list: bit.ly/HouseholdWishlist
- Walmart or VISA gift cards

Contact: Laurie Mueller Comilla

Phone: (847) 782-8630x120

Email: zcolon@kidsaboveall.org

Address: 339 Lakewood Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085



AGENCY WISH LISTS

NICASA BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES



Nicasa Behavioral Health Services is a behavioral health and social service agency that has been serving the residents of Lake County since 1966. Our mission is to transform one life at a time through our behavioral and social health services by being the premier behavioral and social health service provider.

This giving season you can help children and families in Nicasa's Family Advocacy Center receive basic food essentials. At a time when many are still struggling to find employment and manage their finances due to COVID-19, giving a family the gift of relief through food is more important than ever. You can also help teens (14-17 year-olds) receive meaningful holiday gifts. This age group is often excluded from other gift request programs. Your help would be amazing this year as we often have about 20-25 young people in this age range. All items are greatly appreciated! Donations will be accepted until Friday, December 16, 2022 at the following address: 2031 Dugdale Road, North Chicago, IL 60064

Wish List:

- Non-Perishable meal kits for families

Gifts for teens:

- Headphones (earbuds and over-the-ear styles)
- Social/Emotional craft sets (please no sharp tools)
- Clothing (all genders - all sizes)
- Fidget Spinners or sensory puzzles
- Wireless speaker
- Light-Up sports balls
- Hair care or hygiene kits
- Blankets (especially weighted to help with anxiety)

Contact: Vicky Tello

Phone: (847) 716-1064

Email: vtello@nicasa.org

Address: 31979 N. Fish Lake Rd.
Round Lake, IL 60073

NORTHERN IL FOOD BANK



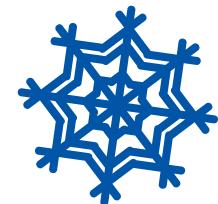
Northern Illinois Food Bank is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization and proud member of Feeding America. Our distribution centers are located in Geneva, Lake Forest, Rockford and Joliet. Nearly 1,000 volunteers help us evaluate, repack, and distribute food each week.

You can join our mission of ensuring everyone in Northern Illinois has access to nutritious food by hosting an online fundraiser or food drive. Every \$1 donated can help provide \$8 in groceries for neighbors in need.

For more information or to register your drive, visit SolveHungerToday.org/Fundraiser

Wish List:

- Canned fruit in juice
- Canned vegetables (low sodium preferred)
- Dry whole beans
- Lentils
- Canned chicken in water
- Canned tuna in water
- All-natural peanut butter
- Whole grain cereal
- Oatmeal
- Whole grain pasta
- Brown rice
- Instant breakfast drink mix (no sugar added)
- Pasta sauces (low sodium preferred)
- Soups (low sodium preferred)
- Spices & seasonings



Contact: Sucely Garcia

Phone: (630) 443-6910

Email: sgarcia@northernilfoodbank.org

Address: 13950 W. Business Center Dr.
Lake Forest IL 60045

AGENCY WISH LISTS



WAUKEGAN TOWNSHIP STABEN HOUSE

Waukegan Township Staben House provides transitional housing and community enrichment service to homeless women with children. We strive to develop goals with families, assist them in establishing and sustaining permanent housing, increasing skill, income, and achieving greater self-determination.

Please consider donating during the holiday season by giving the gift of warmth to the women and children of Staben House. All items collected are distributed to our families and are deeply appreciated!

Please call our office at (847) 244-9944 to schedule a donation drop-off time or contact us via email at lpable@waukegantownship.com

Wish List:

- Women's coat (sizes S, M, L, XL)
- Male and female children coat (S, M, L)
- Men's coat (s, m, l, xl for our teenage boys)
- Women's winter boots (6, 7, 8, 9, 10)
- Children's winter boots (infant, toddler, little kids, big kids)
- Men's winter boots (9, 10, 11, 12, 13 for our teenage boys)
- Women's house shoes (6, 7, 8, 9)
- Men's house shoe (9, 10, 11, 12, 13 for our teenage boys)
- Children house shoes (infant, toddler, little kids, big kids)
- Winter hats
- Winter gloves
- Winter scarfs
- Women's and children's robes
- Twin bedding
- Other items needed
- Lysol or Clorox spray/wipes
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Garbage bags

Contact: Loretta Pable

Phone: (847) 244-9944

Email: lpable@waukegantownship.com

Address: 3000 Grand Ave.
Waukegan, IL 60085



YOUTHBUILD LAKE COUNTY

Our mission is to provide underserved young adults with the education, training and life skills necessary to become gainfully employed and build a better future. Here at YouthBuild, we believe that every young person has the power to succeed and create a better life for themselves and their families with access to the right resources and support system. We offer free programs for underserved youth in Lake County to obtain their high school diploma, earn industry-recognized credentials and certifications, develop career readiness skills, and complete hands-on work experience so they can move into careers, college or vocational schools.

You can help YouthBuild's young people (ages 16-24) celebrate the holidays this season by donating holiday gifts for the young people in our program. Gift cards will allow our young people to purchase items they need. Many can use new winter wear items, as well as lunch and snack items.

Wish List:

- Gift cards: Target, Walmart, Dollar General, McDonald's, Wendy's, Burger King, Taco Bell, Dunkin' Donuts, Popeye's, or Domino's Pizza.
- Winter wear items, such as solid color (crewneck, non-hoody) sweatshirts, solid color long-sleeve shirts — all sizes for men and women.
- Individually sized/packaged ramen in a cup (all varieties), hot chips (such as Flamin' Hot Cheetos, Takis), individual packages of Oreos, Chips Ahoy, breakfast bars, etc.

Contact: Carlos Argueta

Phone: (847) 473-3483

Email: cargueta@youthbuildlakecounty.org

Address: 2303 Kemble Ave.
North Chicago, IL 60064

FOOD PANTRIES

ANTIOCH

Antioch Township - Food Pantry
1625 Deep Lake Road, Lake Villa, IL
mladewig@antiochtownshipil.gov
(847) 395-3378

Service Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Open Arms Mission - Food Pantry
1548 South Main Street, Antioch, IL Service
info@openarmsmission.org
(847) 395-0309

Hours: Tue 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm,
Wed 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm, Thu 4:30 pm - 6:30 pm

BARRINGTON

Cuba Township - Food Pantry
28000 W. Cuba Road, Barrington, IL
info@cubatwpil.gov
(847) 381-1924

Service Hours: Hours vary

BUFFALO GROVE

Beth Am - Food Pantry
1370 Abbott Court, Buffalo Grove, IL
admin@bethambg.org
(847) 383-5017

Service Hours: 2nd Sun each month:
12 pm - 2:00 pm

Vernon Township Food Pantry
3050 N. Main Street, Buffalo Grove, IL
nancy@vernontownship.com
(847) 634-4600

Service Hours: 1st & 3rd Tue each month:
9:00 am - 1:00 pm

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Take a moment and call a local food pantry to ask how you can help a hungry neighbor.

DEERFIELD

West Deerfield Township
601 Deerfield Road, Deerfield, IL
foodpantrywtd@sbcglobal.net
(847) 945-0614

Service Hours: 1st and 3rd Wed of the month:
8:30 am - 4:30 pm

GRAYSLAKE

Lord of Glory Lutheran Church - Food Pantry
W. Belvidere Road, Grayslake, IL
foodpantry@lordofglory.org 607
(847) 986-4223

Service Hours: Tue 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm,
Thu 12:30 pm - 2:30 pm, Sat 10:00 am – Noon

Our House of Hope Rescue - Pet Food Pantry
256 Commerce Drive Unit A, Grayslake, IL 60030
ourhouseofhope@yahoo.com
773-552-4673

Service Hours: Sat: 9:00 am - Noon

Wildwood Presbyterian Church - Food Pantry
18630 W. Old Gages Lake Road, Grayslake, IL
OfficeManager@wildwoodpc.net
(847) 223-0073

Service Hours: Second Sat each month
8:00 am - 10:00 am

GURNEE

Warren Township Food Pantry
caserworker@warrentownship.net
(847) 244-1101 x101

Service Hours: Mon-Fri: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

HIGHLAND PARK

Moraine Township Food Pantry
800 Central Avenue, Highland Park, IL
lupe@morainetownship.org
(847) 432-3240

Service Hours: Tue 10:00 am – Noon,
Wed 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm, Thu 11:30 am - 1:30 pm

HIGHWOOD

Saint James Catholic Church - Food Pantry
140 North Avenue, Highwood, IL
stjames-north@archchicago.org
(847) 433-1494

Service Hours: Thu: 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm,
3:00 pm - 7:00 pm

INDIAN CREEK

Saint Mary of Vernon - Sharing Hands Food Pantry
236 U.S. Highway 45, Indian Creek, IL
smv@maryofvernon.org
(847) 362-1069

Service Hours: Tue: 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm,
Sat: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

INGLESIDE

Avon Cares Food Pantry
25519 West Route 134, Ingleside, IL
twilke@avoncares.us
(847) 912-9278

Service Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

FOOD PANTRIES

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Grant Township Food Pantry

26725 West Moldor Road, Ingleside, IL
kstarostovic@granttownshipcenter.org
(847) 740-2233

Service Hours: Mon-Fri: 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

St. Vincent de Paul of Chicago

- St. Bede Food Pantry
36455 N. Wilson Road, Ingleside, IL
info@svdpchicago.org
(847) 587-2251

Service Hours: Hours vary - call for an appt.

LAKE BLUFF

Shields Township - Phoenix Rising Food Pantry

906 West Muir Avenue, Lake Bluff, IL
PhoenixRisingFdn@gmail.com
(847) 579-9739

Service Hours: Hours vary - call for an appointment

LAKE FOREST

Church of the Holy Spirit - Food Pantry

400 E. Westminster Avenue, Lake Forest, IL
Johncharper@gmail.com
(847) 235-1107

Service Hours: Tue 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm,
Wed 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm, Thu 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm

LAKE VILLA

Antioch Township - Food Pantry

1625 Deep Lake Road Suite B, Lake Villa, IL
mladewig@antiochtownshipil.gov
(847) 395-3378

Service Hours: Mon-Fri 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

Lake Villa Township - Food Pantry

37908 N. Fairfield Road, Lake Villa, IL
supervisor@lakevillatownship.org
(847) 356-2116

Service Hours: Mon-Thu 7:00 am - 3:00 pm

Millburn Congregational Church - Food Pantry

19073 West Grass Lake Road, Lake Villa, IL
secretary@millburnchurch.org
(847) 356-5237

Service Hours: Contact for details

Rahmah Foundation - Food Pantry

134 West Monaville Road, Lake Villa, IL
contact@rahmahfoundation.net
(847) 312-9776

Walk-In Service Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00 am - 5:00 pm

Drive-Thru Service Hours: Sat: 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

LAKE ZURICH

The Hope Collective - Food Pantry

23153 W. Miller Road, Lake Zurich, IL
hopecenter@thehopeco.com
(847) 540-8280

Service Hours: Sat: 9:00 am - 11:00 am

St. Vincent de Paul of Chicago - Food Pantry

135 S. Buesching Road, Lake Zurich, IL
parishoffice@stfrancislz.org
(847) 726-4890

Service Hours: Thu 5:15 pm - 7:00 pm

LIBERTYVILLE

First Presbyterian Church - Mobile Food Pantry

219 W. Maple Avenue, Libertyville, IL
office@boxp.net
(847) 362-2174

Service Hours: Third Sat every month
8:00 am - 9:30 am

Hope Food Pantry - Food Pantry

125 West Church Street, Libertyville, IL
hopefooddistribution@gmail.com
(847) 362-2110

Service Hours: 2nd, 4th and 5th Sat of the month
Sat: 8:00 am - 10:00 am

Libertyville Township - Food Pantry

359 Merrill Court, Libertyville, IL
info@libertyvilletownship.us
(847) 816-6800

Service Hours: Tue: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Saint Joseph - Food Pantry

112 North Milwaukee Avenue, Libertyville, IL
aroeser@stjoseph-libertyville.org
(847) 362-2073

Service Hours: Mon 11:00 am - 1:00 pm, Wed &
Fri 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm, Thu 11:30 am - 1:00 pm,
Sat & Sun 10:00 am - Noon

MUNDELEIN

Fremont Township Food Pantry

22385 W. Highway 60, Mundelein, IL
caseworker@fremonttownship.com
(847) 223-2847

Service Hours: Mon-Fri 8:00 am - 3:30 pm

FOOD PANTRIES

Saint Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Chicago - Food Pantry

116 North Lake Street, Mundelein, IL
parishoffice@stfrancislz.org
(847) 949-8300

Service Hours: Tue & Sat 10:30 am – Noon,
Thu 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm

NORTH CHICAGO

Mount Moriah Christian Center - Food Pantry

523 10th Street, North Chicago, IL 60064
secretary@mmccwaukegan.org
(847) 662-5683

Service Hours: Tue 10:00 am – Noon

ROUND LAKE

PLAN - Emergency Assistance Food Pantry

1892 Nicole Lane, Round Lake Beach, IL
mpacts@aol.com
(847) 302-9904

Service Hours: Mon & Thu 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Tue, Wed, Fri 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

WAUCONDA

Wauconda/Island Lake Food Pantry

505 Bonner Road, Wauconda, IL 60084
infowilfp@gmail.com
(847) 526-8684

Service Hours: Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat 10:00 am -Noon
Tue & Thu 10:00 am - Noon and 4:30 pm - 6:00 pm

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WAUKEGAN

Most Blessed Trinity - Food Pantry

912 8th Street, Waukegan, IL
parishoffice@mbtparish.org
(847) 623-2112

Service Hours: Wed 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Saint Anastasia - Food Pantry

624 Douglas Avenue, Waukegan, IL
lgarcia@stanastasiaparish.org
(847) 623-8320

Service Hours: Thu 9:00 am - 11:00 am

Shiloh Baptist Church - Food Pantry

800 South Genesee Street, Waukegan, IL
shiloh.b@shilohbcw.org
(847) 662-6325

Service Hours: 2nd and 4th Sat 10:00 am - Noon

UMMA Center - Basic Needs Food Pantry

221 Washington Street, Waukegan, IL
info@ummacenters.org
(847) 336-6136

Service Hours: Mon & Wed Noon - 2:00 pm

ZION

Christian Assembly of God - Food Pantry

2929 Bethel Boulevard, Zion, IL
christianassembly@outlook.com
(847) 872-3541

Service Hours: Wed 10:00 am - 1:00 pm *Closed the 5th Wednesday of the month

Our Lady of Humility - Food Pantry

10655 Wadsworth Road, Zion, IL
info@ourladyofhumility.org
(847) 872-8778

Service Hours: Hours Vary - Call for more details

DID YOU KNOW?

211 is a free, confidential, 24-hour information and referral helpline for everyone in Lake County, IL.

Individuals and families can connect to a wide range of health and human services by phone or text, and an expert navigator will guide them to the help they need, regardless of the time of day, the language they speak, or where they live.

CALL 211, TEXT your zip code to 898211, or VISIT 211LakeCounty.org

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