

VolunteerMankato

CLOVE

***The Council of Local Organizations for
Volunteer Enhancement***

A family of people helping each other!

For more information, call 507-345-7787.

Web: www.hickorytech.net/~rsvp/

What is CLOVE?

The Council of Local Organizations for Volunteer Enhancement (CLOVE) is a support network for the coordinators of Southern Minnesota volunteer efforts. CLOVE provides a way for volunteer coordinators to connect with and learn from each other. This networking is a valuable tool for enhancing the programs of individual members.

CLOVE meets on a monthly basis to consider issues pertaining to volunteer work. Each meeting is an interactive discussion involving a speaker, panel or presentation. The topics selected are intended to help volunteer leaders and their organizations improve their operations, navigate difficult situations and find new resources. Members enjoy a chance to meet with other group leaders on a personal level and create relationships which benefit all involved.

For more information, call 507-345-7787.

***Alterra Sterling House of Mankato
(Assisted Living)
100 Teton Lane
Mankato, MN 56001
Contact: Holly Resner
507-386-1779***

Alterra Sterling House is a small, family-oriented assisted living residence. Our mission is to set the standard for maximizing quality of life and dignity of older adults. We offer three meals and unlimited beverages every day, provide laundry and housekeeping services, as well as social activities. Our highly trained staff are able to provide the services and support to meet the individual needs of our residents. Volunteers who are interested in spending time at Alterra Sterling House must have comfort in working with older adults. All ages are welcome to volunteer.

LEEP

Leisure Education for Exceptional People

***Contact: Becky Kroc, Executive Director
or Meghan Colburn, Program Coordinator***

929 North 4th Street

Mankato, MN 56001

507-387-5122

Leep@hickorytech.net

Www.mankatoleep.org

LEEP provides recreational and leisure opportunities for people over the age of four with developmental disabilities so that they might achieve optimal levels of socialization and independence in the community. Our goals are: to provide recreation opportunities for people with disabilities, to teach lifelong leisure skills, to assist with integrating people into existing community activities and to increase community awareness of the abilities of all people. ***Volunteers are needed*** for Special Olympics (11 sports), classes, day program, Drop In Center, Teen Rec Club, Adventure Program, Little Leepers and special events.

***Theresa House
512 East Mulberry Street
Mankato, MN 56001
507-388-1664
Contact: Pat Rodgers
Thpat@hickorytech.net
Www.theresahouse.org***

The mission of Theresa House is to provide emergency assistance and short-term transitional housing to families and single women, as well as assistance in meeting basic needs and accessing area social services. Theresa House is especially attentive to the needs of refugees and immigrants.

Volunteers are needed to support Theresa House guests by providing services according to the organization's policies and procedures and may include the following:

- Educational support
- Study support
- Transportation
- Maintenance
- Cleaning
- Visiting guests
- Helping with crafts or other special projects

***Mankato Area Living at Home/
Block Nurse Program
PO Box 4314
Mankato, MN 56002-4314
507-345-2985
Contact: Cindy Chadwick***

The Living at Home/Block Nurse Program helps people who are 65 and older to remain living independently in their own homes for as long as is safely possible.

Volunteer Needs:

- Transportation
- Respite Care
- Board Members
- Committee Members
- Yard/Household Chores

Partners for Affordable Housing
512 East Mulberry Street
Mankato, MN 56001
Contact: Tracy Walberg
507-387-2115
Fax: 507-387-1321
Email: pah2@hickorytech.net
Web: www.p4ah.org

Volunteers are needed to serve as community companions, arts coordinators, birthday bash coordinators, activities coordinators, and homework helpers in our Journey Home program for children and youth.

Volunteers are also needed to serve as shelter aids at the Welcome Inn homeless shelter.

The Arc SW
929 N. 4th Street
Mankato, MN 56001
507-345-4223
Contact: Trish Johnson
trishj@hickorytech.net

The Arc SW is dedicated to improving the quality of life for people with mental retardation and developmental disabilities and their families through education, leadership, advocacy and support.

Volunteer Needs:

- Office Assistance
- Transportation for people with disabilities
- Events & Fundraisers

***VINE Faith in Action
1618 Third Avenue
Mankato, MN 56001
507-387-1666***

Contact: Claudia Collier

vinevolunteers @vinevolunteers.com

Web: www.vinevolunteers.com

VINE Faith in Action provides care-giving services of companionship, chore assistance, respite care and transportation through the efforts of volunteers. Whatever the task, we know you will leave with an experience that will enrich your life and that of those you help.

Volunteer Needs:

- Volunteer Drivers
- Respite Caregivers
- Household and Seasonal Chores

Harry Meyering Center, Inc.

109 Homestead Drive

Mankato, MN 56001

Contact: Judy Arzdorf

507-625-1705. Ext. 35

Fax: 507-387-8237

Email: jarzdorf@harrymeyeringcenter.org

HMC assists persons with developmental disabilities in realizing their maximum potential for personal and social functioning.

Volunteers are needed to participate in leisure and recreational activities such as craft club, game night and card making.

***Immanuel St. Joseph's
Mayo Health System
1025 Marsh Street
PO Box 8673
Mankato, MN 56002-8673
507-389-4611***

Email: Madison.Roberta@mayo.edu

***Contact: Robbie Madison, Director of Vol-
unteer Services***

Volunteer Needs:

- Gift Shop
- Receptionists
- Escorts
- Flower Delivery
- Music and Art Cart
- Lifeline Installers
- Junior Volunteers (13-17 yrs.)
- Office and Mail Projects
- Intensive Care Lounge Hosts

***Mankato Family YMCA
1401 South Riverfront Drive
Mankato, MN 56001
507-345-9809***

Brother/Sister Program: 507-345-9815

Contact: Chris Boyce

Web: www.mankatoymca.org

The Mission of the Mankato Family YMCA is to provide quality programs and services offering opportunities for all families and individuals in our community to develop their physical, spiritual, social, mental and recreational well-being.

Volunteer Needs:

- Coaches for Youth Sports
- Youth Group Leaders
- Brother/Sister Program

***YWCA of Mankato
603 South 2nd Street
Mankato, MN 56001
507-345-4629***

Contact: Volunteer Coordinator

Volunteer Needs:

- Club Girlz World Mentors - We are looking for adult women who are willing to volunteer about 2 hours a week mentoring girls in 5th—7th grades.
- Kids Connection Volunteers - Volunteers needed for our after school enrichment program for grades k-6.
- Bright Beginning Volunteers - Volunteers are needed for our all-day preschool and child care centers.

***Foster Grandparent and
Senior Companion Programs
Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota
PO Box 156***

Windom, MN 56101

***Contact: Sarah Henfling,
Senior Programs Coordinator
507-831-4751; 866-312-9889;***

Cell 507-822-1499

Email: shenfling@lssmn.org

Web: www.lssmn.org/seniorcorps

The Foster Grandparent and Senior Companion Programs enroll persons 60 and over to work in the Greater Mankato Area. Volunteers serve 10-20 hours a week with a flexible schedule and are reimbursed with a tax-free stipend, transportation expenses, a meal and other benefits. The programs are supported by Lutheran Social Services of Minnesota. Foster Grandparents are needed to work one-on-one with children and youth. Senior Companions are needed to work one-on-one with isolated adults.

***South Central Minnesota
Retired and Senior Volunteer Program
(RSVP)
518 south 5th Street
Mankato, MN 56001
Contact: Nadene Ruthenbeck, Director
or Darcy Young, Coordinator
507-345-7787; 800-584-5450
Fax: 507-345-3668
Email: rsvp@hickorytech.net
Web: www.hickorytech.net/~rsvp/***

RSVP matches persons 55 and over with meaningful volunteer opportunities in their communities to enhance their retirements and to help community agencies with volunteer activities. South Central MN RSVP serves Blue Earth, Brown, Le Sueur, Nicollet and Waseca Counties. ***Volunteer Needs:*** Persons 55 and over to help with literacy programs, transportation, Seniors for Habitat and other programs which provide services for moderate to low income families and individuals. Persons under 55 for office help.

***Habitat for Humanity
Of
South Central Minnesota
512 Mulberry Street
PO Box 222
Mankato, MN 56002
Contact:
Julie Schmillen, Executive Director
or Nola Speiser, Volunteer Coordinator
507-388-2081
Fax: 507-388-1618
Email: hfhscmn@hickorytech.net
Web: www.hickorytech.net/~hfhscmn***

Habitat for Humanity of South Central Minnesota is a non-profit, Christian housing ministry dedicated to eliminating poverty housing and homelessness from the earth. Habitat for Humanity of South Central Minnesota serves the Mankato, North Mankato, St. Peter, Le Sueur, Henderson and Kasota communities. ***Volunteer Needs:*** building/construction, committee chairs and members, monetary and in-kind donations.

*Friends of Deep Valley Libraries and
Pages Past Bookstore
100 East Main Street
Mankato, MN 56001
Contact: Sarah Beiswanger
507-387-1856, ext. 243
Fax: 507-387-6029
Web: [www.beclibrary.org/
deep_valley.php3](http://www.beclibrary.org/deep_valley.php3)*

Friends of the Libraries is a group dedicated to supporting libraries in Blue Earth County and North Mankato. We are a non-profit organization. Pages Past Bookstore is a used bookstore located in the Blue Earth County Library. It has been a fundraiser for Friends since August, 1997. The bookstore is staffed by over 50 volunteers and features the *Betsy Tacey* series by Mankato-based author, Maud Hart Lovelace. **Volunteers are needed** to serve as officers and sit on committees, for projects, and to volunteer in the bookstore.

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Thrift & More
Minnesota Valley Action Council, Inc.
482 Raintree Road
Mankato, MN 56001
Contact: Heather Hotovec
507-345-2409*

Store Hours:
Monday, Friday, Saturday 9:30 AM-6 PM
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday -
9:30 AM-8 PM

Volunteer Needs: accepting, sorting, tagging, hanging, or displaying items received for resale; light cleaning, organizing merchandise, sewing, repairing, measuring fabric, cashiering and bagging sold items.

***Blue Earth/Nicollet County
Guardian ad Litem Program***

***The Mankato Area
Community Action Team (CAT)
Contact: Kari Fletcher
507-387-4799 or 888-801-0132***

The Mankato Area Community Action Team (CAT) is part of the Minnesota Recruitment Project which is managed by the non-profit organization NCAAC (The North American Council on Adoptable Children). We are committed to raising community awareness about the need for foster and adoptive families. Currently, there are 11,000 children in Minnesota foster homes, and 700 of those children are in immediate need of adoptive families, since courts have determined that they cannot safely return home.

Volunteers are needed to become members and to help make contacts in the community. We would also appreciate volunteers who would be willing to talk to businesses about how they can support these families.

A Guardian ad Litem is an advocate for the best interest of children in court proceedings involving abuse, neglect and other child protection issues. Training is provided. For more information, call ***Paul Horrisberger at 507-934-0271 or email at paulhorrisberger@courts.state.mn.us***

***Blue Earth County
Sexual Violence Resource Center
410 South 5th Street
PO Box 3526
Mankato, MN 56002-3526
Contact: Jayme Jackson
507-389-8295
Jayme.jackson@co.blue-earth.mn.us***

Volunteer Needs: Men and women age 18 and over to provide advocacy and support services to victims of sexual violence. Must make a one-year commitment, pass a background check and successfully complete 44 hours of training.