



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

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JI COMMUNITY SERVICE LEAGUE VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Alzheimer & Parkinson Association of IRC

Serves IRC residents with disorders affecting memory and movement through support, education, and connections.

Volunteer Opportunities: Assistance in the office, resource library, art and movement classes, special events, social respite program, memory screenings, education and support groups, community outreach and publicity. Training provided. www.alzpark.org

Contact: Agency at info@alzpark.org or call 772-563-0505

The Arc of Indian River County

Supports and empowers individuals with special needs to achieve their life goals through services, education, and advocacy.

Volunteer Opportunities: Social media, office work, assisting with day program activities (similar to a chaperone role but always with an Arc employee present as the purpose is to have more caring hands available to enjoy activities, not replacing staff). www.arcir.org

Contact: Agency at 772-584-9511

Ballet Vero Beach

Promote the art of dance through performances, educational and community engagement programs.

Volunteer Opportunities: Volunteers are needed for performances, boutique sales special events, administrative support & publicity. www.balletverobeach.org

Contact: Complete a volunteer application at balletverobeach.org/volunteer/

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Indian River County

Create and support one-to-one mentoring relationships that ignite the power and promise of youth.

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentor or tutor a child weekly, participate in a single day reading event or extracurricular activity, help with office work, publicity, and special events. www.bbbsbig.org

Contact: Macalayah Khan, Community Development Specialist, macaylah.khan@bbbsbig.org, 772-466-8585

Boys & Girls Clubs of Indian River County

Inspires and enables all young people, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with reading & math homework for younger students, assist in the Art Room, coach in the athletic department or help with special projects.

www.bgcirc.org

Contact: Complete an application at www.bgcirc.org/ways-to-give/volunteer/ or contact Tina Jensen at tinajensen@bgcirc.org 772-299-7449

Childcare Resources of Indian River County

Promotes quality early childhood development and education in IRC, focusing on challenged children and families.

Volunteer Opportunities: Turtle Classroom – Rock babies, read, and aid teachers as needed; Duckling classroom – one-on-one time with students helping them to recognize letters & numbers, read, write and with school projects. www.childcareresourcesir.org

Contact: Tiffani Atteo, Executive Assistant, Development Coordinator, tiffani@childcareresourcesir.org 772-567-3202

Coalition for Attainable Homes

Ensures the availability of high-quality affordable housing to income eligible residents and provides hope and encouragement to families who demonstrate a need and desire to maintain their own home.

Volunteer Opportunities: www.coalitionforattainablehomes.com

Contact: Agency at 772-774-7576

Crossover Mission

Supports and redirects at-risk youth through recreational activities and enrichment programs for children ages 8 through high school.

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentor and coach students in academics, basketball, and football using the love of sport to motivate. Volunteers needed for fundraising and strategic planning. www.crossovermission.com

Contact: Beth Ratliff, Manager of Academic Programs, 772-257-5400

Early Learning Coalition

Partners with parents, childcare providers, and communities to ensure quality early learning experiences through program and financial support.

Volunteer Opportunities: www.elcirno.org

Contact: Agency at 772-220-1220

Economic Opportunities Council of IRC

Works to empower low-income families and strengthen communities: pre-school classes, ages 2 to 5.

Volunteer Opportunities: Teachers' aides, readers, bus monitors, maintenance, gardening, landscaping, and office work. www.eocofirc.net

Contact: Complete a volunteer form at www.eocofirc.net/volunteer/ or call 772-562-4177

Gifford Youth Achievement Center

Offers quality programs for children to develop self-esteem and teach character, encouraging each individual to reach her/his potential, nurtures partnerships with various community entities in Gifford and surrounding municipalities in Indian River County.

Volunteer Opportunities: Classroom assistance, reading, math, science, and music tutoring, clerical support, recreational support, assistance with senior/adult food programs. www.mygyac.org

Contact: Complete a volunteer form at www.mygyac.org/volunteer or call 772-794-1005

Gifford Youth Orchestra

A youth enrichment/cultural arts program that includes music, drama, dance, and vocal art lessons with a focus on stringed instruments.

Volunteer Opportunities: www.gyotigers.org

Contact: info@gotygers.org or call Stephania Wright-Osmet, Assistant to the Executive Director & Office Manager, 772-778-5118

Hibiscus Children's Center

Provides a safe shelter, mental health, preventive care, and life skills for at risk children and families.

Volunteer Opportunities: Homework tutors, career mentors. ("Career Pathways to Independence Program"), creative teachers (sewing, cooking, art, music lessons, or exercise classes), party planners (organize activities and holiday parties), Santa's Elves, graphic design assistants, Birthday Club Committee (donate cakes and gifts), office help.

www.hibiscuschildrenscenter.org

Contact: Donna Clements at dclements@hcc4kids.org 772-299-6011 x 334

Hope for Families Center

Transition families from homelessness to sustainable, permanent housing by providing a safe, clean environment with supportive services.

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with children's programs, fundraising events, tutor or mentor a child, holiday helper, assist with employment education, cooking or supplying a meal, property management (organizing shelves, mulching & painting).

www.hopeforfamiliescenter.org

Contact: Lydia Lander at llander@hfcvero.org 772-567-5537

Indian River Education Fund

The Indian River Education Fund was incorporated in May 2024 to serve as a vehicle for private sector intellectual and financial investment in our public schools. Better Schools Are Everybody's Business.

Volunteer Opportunities: The Education Fund's board of directors is considering ways to leverage our community through volunteer opportunities.

Contact: Janet Knupp, Executive Director, janet.knupp@indianriverschools.org

Indian River Healthy Start Coalition

A local system of care that optimizes the health of moms, babies, and their families living in Indian River County.

Volunteer Opportunities: Doula training, event volunteers (Mother's Day Garden and Dancing with Vero's Stars), FIMR (community action and case review teams), Board of Directors and philanthropy committee. www.irchealthystart.org

Contact: Agency at info@irchealthystart.org, 772-563-9118

IRSC Foundation - Take Stock In Children

Promotes personal growth, accountability, academic success and IRSC scholarship attainment through mentoring relationships for low- income high school students.

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentoring high school students, and provide career coaching skills virtually. <https://irsc.edu/take-stock-in-children/>

Contact: Karen Aldana, Program Director, kaldana@irsc.edu 772-462-7252

Learning Alliance

Dedicated to helping children develop better reading skills - The Learning Alliance's vision is to have 90% of all third graders reading on grade level, which motivates their work.

Volunteer Opportunities: Moonshot mentors enjoy a book or literacy activity with a student once a week during the student's lunchtime or assist with assembling Learning Kits to be distributed to Moonshot families. Volunteer as a Reading Tutor - work 1:1 with kindergarten students once a week. www.thelearningalliance.org

Contact: Pat Shaw, Volunteer Coordinator, Pshaw@thelearningalliance.org
877-548-READ (7323)

LifeBuilders of the Treasure Coast

Seeks to reduce crime, recidivism, and to assist low-income individuals who come in contact with the Treasure Coast Court system as a consequence of criminal behavior or drug dependency.

Volunteer Opportunities: Application processing, client communications (phone + email), fundraising events (planning, implementation, securing donations, ticket sales), and office support. www.lifebuilderstc.com

Contact: Complete a volunteer application at www.lifebuilderstc.com/donate.html/ or call Eric Kohrhamer, Community Resource Coordinator, 772-462-2381

Literacy Services of Indian River County

Deliver comprehensive and innovative learning opportunities to local adults seeking English language and literacy skills to achieve their goals.

Volunteer Opportunities: Tutoring adults in reading and second language skills (meet once or twice a week for 60 to 90 minutes a session, no experience required and training provided). www.literacyservicesirc.org

Contact: Agency at info@literacyservicesirc.org 772-778-2223

Mental Health Association

Provides immediate access with no barriers to mental health care for families, children, and adults and offers walk-in services in Vero Beach.

Volunteer Opportunities: Serve on a Board Committee (Marketing & Philanthropy, Programs & Client Services, Governance & Finance). Committees meet once per month. Assist with events & fundraising www.mhairc.org

Contact: Amy Wagner, Director of Philanthropy & Marketing, amy@mhairc.org 772-569-9788 x 122

Mental Health Collaborative

Establish and promote a continuum of care to mental health and substance misuse.

Volunteer Opportunities: Board of Directors, event planning, and Mental Health First Aid Instructors Seminars. www.mhcollaborative.org

Contact: Agency at 772-217-3663

Pelican Island Audubon Society

Continues its initiative to run a campaign to combat “nature- deficit disorder” for K-12 students, with lagoon science education programs.

Volunteer Opportunities: Gardening, research around mental health and the positive influence of being in nature, art instruction, publicity, newsletter, cooking, and special projects. www.pelicanislandaudubon.org

Contact: Send inquiry to piasvolunteer@gmail.com or call 772-567-3520

Safe Families for Children

A program that provides support for families in crisis.

Volunteer Opportunities: Contribute through one of four programs – temporary host family for a child, befriend a family, serve as a family coach, or be a resource friend. safe-families.org/involvement

Contact: Jessie Ray at jray@safefamilies.net 772-217-5467

Safe Space

Offers safety and education to victims of domestic violence, empowering them to create a life free from violence.

Volunteer Opportunities: Crisis hot-line (requires experience), administrative assistance, Board Member, and special events www.safespacefl.org.

Contact: Janet Farnan-Dyer, info@safespacefl.org 772-223-2399

Samaritan Center for Homeless Families (Catholic Charities)

Offers transitional housing and guidance to homeless families in Indian River County and prepares them to live independently.

Volunteer Opportunities: Advisory Committee, fund raising, special projects, childcare, tutoring, meal preparation, maintenance and repairs, and clerical work.

www.ccdpb.org/get-involved/volunteer.html

Contact: Katy Ryan at kryan@ccdpb.org 772-770-3039

Senior Resource Association

Provides services to support and advocate for older adults through nourishment, supervised socialization, transportation, and information referral services for seniors and their families.

Volunteer Opportunities: Meals on Wheels, Navigation Program Call Center (answer phones and make referrals), adult enrichment and respite, office support, Silver Tones Choir, and interacting with seniors and Adult Day Care. www.seniorresourceassociation.org

Contact: Agency at info@sramail.org 772-569-0760

Special Equestrians of the Treasure Coast

Provides adaptive riding and equine-assisted activities for special needs children and adults.

Volunteer Opportunities: Help with riding lessons, barn work, horse care, facility repairs, office duties, and special events. Volunteer information packet available at www.specialequestriantreasurecoast.org/volunteer

Contact: Complete Volunteer Application at the site above or contact Agency at 772-562-7603

Substance Awareness Center

Helps families, children, and adults, lead healthier lives by reducing the incidence of substance misuse in IRC through education, prevention, treatment, and recovery programs.

Volunteer Opportunities: www.sacirc.org

Contact: Carrie Maynard-Lester, Chief Executive Officer, clester@sacirc.org 772-770-4811

Suncoast Mental Health Center

Provides best-practice and research-based assessment, counseling, case management, and psychiatric services to children, their families, and adults.

Volunteer Opportunities: Board members, volunteer coordinator, event coordinator, event volunteers and community outreach. www.suncoastmentalhealth.org

Contact: Tracy Hernandez, Director of Development thernandez@smhcinc.org
772-489-4726 x 2024

Sunshine Physical Therapy

Provides affordable outpatient rehabilitation to people on a limited income.

Volunteer Opportunities: Administrative staff experienced with Excel and database systems, capital campaign fund raising, someone to assist in attracting individuals to tour our facility, and Board members. <https://www.sunshineptc.org/>

Contact: Ginny Blossom at executivedirector@sunshineptc.org 772-562-6877

The Source

A Christian social outreach organization that serves its homeless neighbors through core programs that include culinary training, a catering and food truck business, two mobile overnight emergency shelters that sleep 36 nightly, 20 affordable housing units, as well as services that instill a sense of community.

Volunteer Opportunities: Work at front desk, organize and sort new donations, meal prep and table service, administrative assistance, special events support, assorted program leadership. www.iamthesource.org

Contact: Linda Cutler, Volunteer & Programs Coordinator, linda.cutler@iamthesource.org
772-564-0202 x. 220.

Treasure Coast Community Health

Provides accessible, comprehensive, cost-effective, high quality medical and dental care to all persons regardless of their socio-economic status.

Volunteer Opportunities: Serve as a patient escort, provide clerical assistance, volunteer at booth during events, Dinner Planning Committee. www.tcchinc.org

Contact: Agency at 772-257-8224

Treasure Coast Homeless Services Council

Works to prevent and alleviate the conditions of the homeless in IRC by providing a continuum of care that provides housing and financial assistance to avoid homelessness and rapid re-housing assistance for those who have become homeless.

Volunteer Opportunities: www.tchelpspot.org

Contact: Agency at 772-213-9040

Tykes & Teens

Prioritizing children's mental health in our families, schools and communities through prevention, education and treatment.

Volunteer Opportunities: www.tykesandteens.org

Contact: Linda Gallagher, Director of Philanthropy, 772-220-3439

United Against Poverty

Serves those in poverty by providing crisis care, case management, food and household subsidies, employment training, and placement, personal empowerment training and active referrals to other service providers.

Volunteer Opportunities: Life skills mentor, mock job interviewer, staff food pantry, assist thrift center, support annual events or membership desk. www.UPIRC.org.

Contact: Matt Tanner at mtanner@unitedagainstpoverity.org 772-564-9365

United Way of Indian River County

Improves lives by mobilizing the caring power of communities, and to proactively build a strong, healthy, and caring community.

Volunteer Opportunities: Various

Contact: Agency at www.volunteerindianrivercounty.org

Visiting Nurse Association and Hospice of IRC

Provides compassionate, innovative care of the highest quality for patients and caregivers needing health, hospice, and community health services.

Volunteer Opportunities: Provide physical, emotional, and spiritual support to patients and families, administrative support, and thrift shop staff.

www.vnatc.com/volunteer/

Contact: Sarah Bumgarner at sbumgarner@vnatc.com 772-494-6161

Whole Family Health

Provides high quality, caring and accessible health care services to adults and children.

Volunteer Opportunities: Greet and escort patients, assist with fundraising efforts, or help with a special event or project. www.wfhcfl.org

Contact: Colette Heid, Director of Compliance & Administration, cheid@wfhcfl.org
772-925-8200

Willis Sports Association

Empowers disadvantaged children and youth to become successful individuals with integrity and character through academic achievement and the game of baseball.

Volunteer Opportunities: Reading with children for 30 minutes, assist on the ball field after school and at events, hands-on with Baby Ballers on Saturday mornings and assistance at the concession stand. willis.leagueapps.com

Contact: April Willis at 772-370-5858

Youth Guidance Mentoring Academy

Enrich the lives of IRC youth through mentoring relationships that inspire trust, self-esteem, and positive futures.

Volunteer Opportunities: Mentor or provide afterschool academic tutoring, share or support teaching of life skills (cooking, gardening, computer) or skilled trades www.youthguidanceprogram.org.

Contact: Jenn Moore at jmoore@youthguidanceprogram.org 772-492-3933



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