

**COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES
&
EVENTS**

**For More Information
Call 302-515-3020**

<https://volunteer.delaware.gov-delaware50>



S u s s e x C o u n t y

Volunteer Delaware 50+ is a statewide program offered through the State Office of Volunteerism within the Department of Health and Social Services. The mission is to engage persons 50 and older in volunteer service, to meet critical community needs and to provide a high quality experience that will enrich the lives of volunteers.

- January 1 – New Year's Day.
- January 1 – Global Family Day– World Peace Day.
- January 4 – World Braille Day.
- January 19 – World Religion Day.
- January 20 – Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.
- January 23 – World Freedom Day.
- January 25 – Chinese New Year.
- January 27 – Holocaust Remembrance Day

Happy New Year! I'm going to give you something exciting to get ready for! Our neighbors are in need and Volunteer Delaware 50+ is going to jump in to this NEW YEAR head first to help! Coordinating with our Governor-Elect Matt Meyer, Volunteer Delaware 50+ in Sussex is taking on a drive in Sussex County. Our staff has decided to help our unhoused neighbors in need, Love, INC. of Delmarva and Milford Advocacy for the Homeless (please see next 2 pages). Danielle, Bobbi Jo, Holly and I will need YOUR help!

First, go to your **closets!** Needed are gently used winter **coats**, think of outdoor hiking-type coats! **Gloves, scarves and hats** are also in need. Keeping with the theme, think of being outdoors all day. Also, remember **gently used** items! Now search the rest of your home. Maybe you have unopened **toiletries** on the page 3 list. These nonprofit agencies can use these items. Perhaps you received a gift card? Nothing feels better than to use a gift card for someone needing **food** and **clothing**.

Next, bring your donations to us! We will hold a drive for the goods at **Adams State Service Center, Tuesday, January 14, 2025 from 10:30 AM to 1:30 PM.** Drive to the main entrance, closest to route 113 and we will receive your donations in person in the parking lot. Alternately, you can bring them to **any** State Service Center between 8 AM and 4 PM, January 13 and 17 (Milford Annex, Adams, Pyle, Laurel, Shipley, or Bridgeville).

Last but not least, **help Governor-Elect Matt Myer sort and pack** items at **Shipley Service Center Saturday, January 18, from 11 AM to 2 PM.** He wants to meet the wonderful volunteers of the State of Delaware the weekend before his inauguration. So, clean a closet, grab a donation, help in whatever way you can, then stop by and serve alongside your soon-to-be new Governor! *Ann Gorrin*



Spotlight page: 2 and 3

Volunteer Opportunities:

Pages 4 - 10

Community Events:

Pages 11-15

Community Partners:

Page: 16



GOVERNOR-ELECT MATT MEYER'S DONATION DRIVE:
 HONORING DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.'S LEGACY OF SERVICE



In Partnership With:
 The State Office of Volunteerism
 Volunteer Delaware 50+
 Supporting: Milford Advocacy for the Homeless and Love, INC of Delmarva

CALL TO ACTION:

FOOD & CLOTHING DRIVE:

DATE: TUESDAY, JANUARY 14 **TIME:** 10:30 AM TO 1:30 PM **LOCATION:** ADAMS STATE SERVICE CENTER, 546 SOUTH BEDFORD STREET, GEORGETOWN

DROP-OFF LOCATIONS AND TIMES:

DATES: JANUARY 13-17 **TIME:** 8:00 AM TO 4:00 PM **LOCATIONS:** STATE SERVICE CENTERS IN SUSSEX COUNTY - MILFORD (ANNEX), ADAMS, PYLE, SHIPLEY, BRIDGEVILLE, LAUREL

SORTING AND PACKING EVENT:

DATE: SATURDAY, JANUARY 18 **TIME:** 11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM **LOCATION:** ANNA C. SHIPLEY STATE SERVICE CENTER, SEAFORD, DE 19973
 GOVERNOR-ELECT MATT MEYER WILL BE JOINING US AS WE SORT AND PACK DONATIONS FOR OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED.

Items Needed:

- New and/or gently used clothing (coats, hats, gloves, scarves) for men, women, and children
- Hand warmers
- Toiletries (toothpaste, soap, shampoo, feminine hygiene products)
- Non-perishable food
- To-go meal kits

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING FOR THE EVENT, PLEASE CONTACT ANN GORRIN AT ANN.GORRIN@DELAWARE.GOV



MLK Day Drive Items Needed

Clothing

In general, the most commonly requested sizes for men are medium to extra large and the most commonly requested sizes for women are small to large

Item	Current Level of Need			Notes
	Normal	Elevated	High	
Socks	X			Normal level of need other than the bullet points specified below
• Ankle-Length			X	
• Women's Long			X	
Sneakers, Boots, and Sandals			X	Good practical walking shoes
Underwear			X	We often run out of men's medium boxers, and women's small and medium underwear
Jeans		X		Normal level of need other than the bullet points specified below
• Men's Size 32-34 Waist			X	The most commonly requested jean sizes for men are 32/32 and 34/32
• Women's Size 2-4			X	
Casual/Comfy Long Pants			X	Sweatpants, athletic pants, stretchy pants
Casual/Comfy Shorts	X			Athletic shorts, stretchy shorts, drawstring shorts
Belts			X	Practical; fashion belts not needed
Bras			X	Bras that have general sizing fit a wider variety of people than bras with specific number/letter sizing
T-Shirts		X		Casual, comfy, everyday t-shirts
Sweatshirts and Hoodies			X	
Jackets			X	Our neighbors typically look for zip-ups with hoods
Coats			X	Our neighbors typically look for practical, durable, comfy coats with hoods (think of coats you would want to hike up a mountain with) instead of fancy or flashy coats

Dignity Items

Item	Current Level of Need			Notes
	Normal	Elevated	High	
Bodywash		X		Men's or neutral scents needed the most right now
Shampoo		X		Men's or neutral scents needed the most right now
Conditioner		X		
Hairbrushes and Combs	X			
Dry Shampoo	X			
Toothbrushes	X			
Toothpaste			X	
Toothbrush Covers			X	
Floss	X			
Chapstick			X	
Deodorant			X	Men's needed the most right now
Body Wipes	X			
Disposable Razors			X	
Travel-Size Items	X			Shampoo, conditioner, bodywash, lotion
Tissue Pocket Packs			X	
Travel-Sized Hand Sanitizer			X	
Lotion		X		
Bug Spray	X			
Sunblock	X			
Sunburn Relief Items	X			
Bandaids	X			
Antibiotic Cream	X			
Travel-Sized First Aid Kits	X			
Women's Liners	X			Our neighbors typically prefer thinner pads (not maxi pads)
Women's Overnight Pads			X	Our neighbors typically prefer thinner pads (not maxi pads)
Women's Tampons	X			Unscented tampons work for a wider variety of people

Cleaning and Papergood Items

Item	Current Level of Need			Notes
	Normal	Elevated	High	
Disinfectant Wipes			X	
Cleaning/Disinfectant Sprays			X	Lysol especially
Lavender Fabuloso			X	
Toilet Bowl Cleaner		X		
Laundry Detergent	X			
Bleach		X		
Dish Soap	X			
Sponges			X	
Cleaning Rags	X			
Hand Soap	X			
Hand Sanitizer			X	
13gal. Trash Bags			X	
33gal. Trash Bags			X	
55gal. Trash Bags			X	
Paper Towel Rolls			X	
Tri-Fold Paper Towels			X	
Toilet Paper			X	
Tissue Boxes			X	
12oz. Disposable Bowls	X			
10oz. Disposable Bowls with Lids			X	For to-go soup
Clamshell To-Go Containers			X	
Napkins			X	
Disposable Spoons			X	
Disposable Forks	X			
Disposable Cold Cups	X			
Disposable Coffee Cups			X	
Disposable Coffee Cups with Lids			X	
Wooden Coffee Stirs			X	No straws, please
Plastic Wrap	X			
Aluminum Foil	X			
Disposable Gloves	X			Latex-free small, medium, and large
Sandwich Bags			X	Must be sealable, no fold-overs
Paper Grocery Bags		X		Full sized, please

Food Items

Item	Current Level of Need			Notes
	Normal	Elevated	High	
Single-Serve Fruit Cups			X	
Single-Serve Snack Items			X	Chips, crackers, trail mix, etc.
Single-Serve Meat Pouches			X	
Granola Bars			X	
Bottled Water			X	
Single-Serve Water			X	
Flavoring		X		
Bulk Drink Mix Canisters		X		
Sandwich Bread			X	
Lunch Meat and Cheese			X	
Peanut Butter			X	
Jelly			X	
Macaroni and Cheese		X		
Spaghetti Noodles		X		
Pasta		X		
Pasta Sauce		X		
Rice			X	
Instant Potatoes		X		
Canned Vegetables			X	
Canned Fruits			X	
Canned Tomatoes		X		
Canned Beans		X		
Canned Meats			X	
Canned Soups			X	
Canned Meals			X	SpaghettiOs, chili, etc.
Shelf-Stable Microwave Meals			X	
Cereal		X		
Oatmeal		X		
Pancake Mix	X			
Shelf-Stable Milk			X	
Powdered Milk	X			
Juice			X	
Single-Serve Hot Chocolate Packets		X		
Single-Serve Coffee Packets		X		
Sugar Packets			X	
Creamer			X	



DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Division of Social Services
State Office of Volunteerism



CareWear

Thank You

The CareWear Project collection was a true success this year! The Sussex County CareWear Project collected 5,546 items to be donated to twenty-nine agencies in Sussex County. Your dedication and passion to keeping Sussex County warm is greatly appreciated.

Thank you, from the staff of Volunteer Delaware 50+





SHOES THAT FIT- DELAWARE CHAPTER SEEKS VOLUNTEER HELP IN SUSSEX AND KENT COUNTY FOR GROWING NEEDS.

IN 2024 THE SHOES THAT FIT ORGANIZATION PROVIDED NEW BRAND-NAME SNEAKERS AND SOCKS FOR 738 SUSSEX COUNTY AND 681 KENT COUNTY STUDENTS IN NEED. (HOMELESS OR LOW INCOME). IN 2025 WE HAVE PLANS TO OPEN A STUDENT SHOE BANK IN SUSSEX COUNTY AS WELL AS EXPAND OUR SERVICES TO FOSTER CHILDREN.

To sustain our current impact and continue to grow we need volunteers in the following areas:

- Run sock drives for students ages 5-18 (no show or low rise)
 - Research grants to find funding to purchase sneakers
- Help with Public relations to gain community/corporate support for Shoes That Fit (funding, volunteers)
- Find corporate/community sponsors for a specific school



IF YOU HAVE A PASSION FOR HELPING CHILDREN IN OUR STATE AND WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT OUR MISSION TO PROVIDE NEW SNEAKERS AND SOCKS TO THESE VULNERABLE/AT RISK STUDENTS, PLEASE CONTACT BOBBI JO TICE BY EMAIL BOBBI.TICE@DELAWARE.GOV OR CALL 302-515-3024

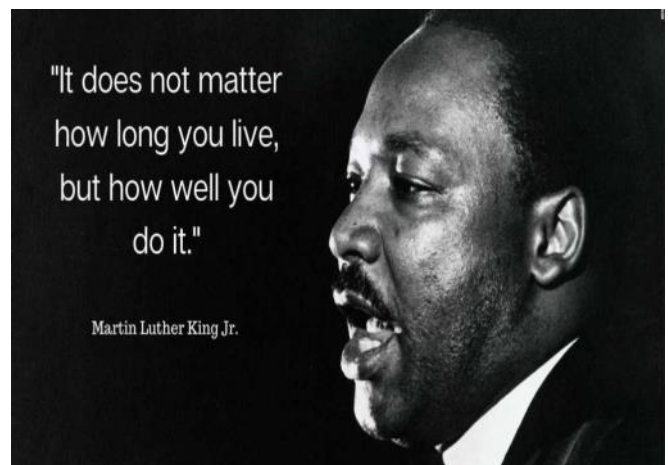
Cape Henlopen Senior Center
is seeking a

SPANISH TEACHER

1st, 2nd and 3rd Fridays
Classes are from 10:30 to Noon

11 CHRISTIAN ST,
REHOBOTH BEACH,
DE 19971

For more information call Bobbi Jo Tice 302-515-3024 or
email: Bobbi.Tice@delaware.gov



VOLUNTEER DELAWARE 50+ ADVISORY COUNCIL

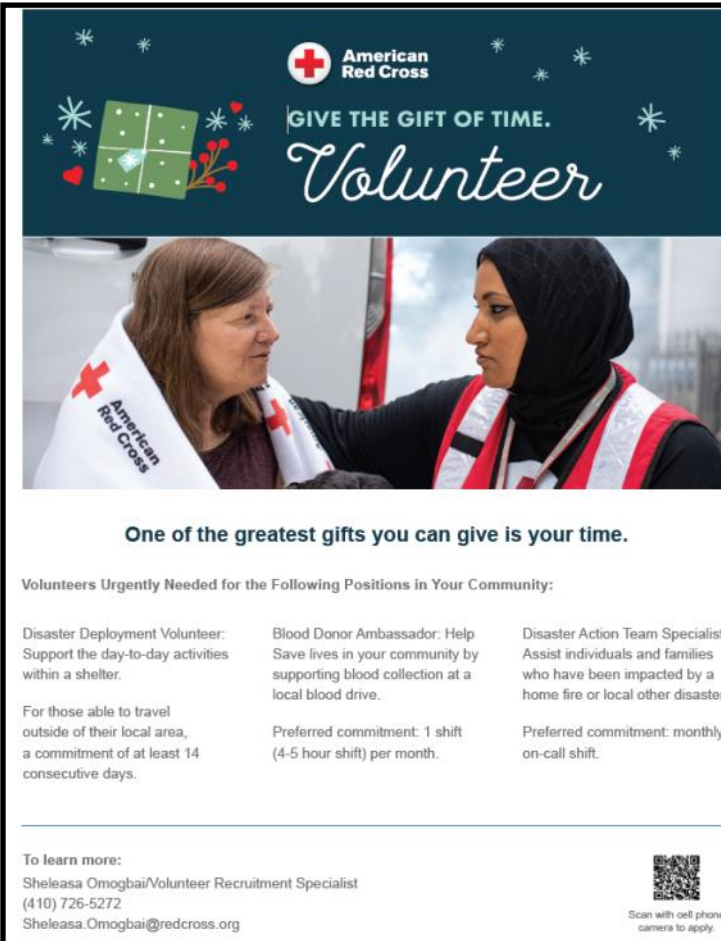
JOIN US

We are looking for a few good volunteers/and or community partners to help our Advisory Council grow.

Advisory Roles and Responsibilities

- Meet 6 times per year 12:00PM-2:00PM (centrally located)
- All members shall strive to exhibit personal, moral and ethical standards which reflect highly on Volunteer Delaware 50+ programs.
- Assist with fundraising and in-kind resources.
- Provide information and advice concerning strategies to effectively use volunteers.
- Offer advice and support coordination of community partner programs.
- Promote constructive relationships with key community individuals and agencies.
- Help plan, implement, and participate in volunteer recognition events.
- Provide ideas and/or contacts for developing new community partners or programs.
- Provide ideas and/or contacts for recruiting prospective hard-to-reach volunteers.

Contact Danielle Briggs at 302-515-3029



American Red Cross

GIVE THE GIFT OF TIME.


Volunteer

One of the greatest gifts you can give is your time.

Volunteers Urgently Needed for the Following Positions in Your Community:

<p>Disaster Deployment Volunteer: Support the day-to-day activities within a shelter.</p> <p>For those able to travel outside of their local area, a commitment of at least 14 consecutive days.</p>	<p>Blood Donor Ambassador: Help Save lives in your community by supporting blood collection at a local blood drive.</p> <p>Preferred commitment: 1 shift (4-5 hour shift) per month.</p>	<p>Disaster Action Team Specialist: Assist individuals and families who have been impacted by a home fire or local other disaster.</p> <p>Preferred commitment: monthly on-call shift.</p>
---	---	---

To learn more:
Sheleasa Omogbai/Volunteer Recruitment Specialist
(410) 726-5272
Sheleasa.Omogbai@redcross.org



Scan with cell phone camera to apply.



DELAWARE TRANSITIONS
A Service of Delaware Hospice

Volunteers NEEDED

We need your help.
Delaware Transitions by Delaware Hospice offers free, non-medical support for individuals and their families struggling with all aspects of a serious illness.

Join our volunteer team to help by:

- Running errands for clients
- Providing transportation
- Visiting clients

Please call for more information:
Danielle Briggs
302-515-3029
Or email
Danielle.Briggs@delaware.gov

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS!



We need help with:

- Assist with administrative work
- Act as an ambassador at community events
- Give informative presentations
- Counsel Medicare beneficiaries with their questions regarding suspected Medicare fraud and abuse

Help Delaware prevent, detect and report Medicare fraud.

Interested?

MORE INFORMATION
302-255-9774
vicki.crockett@delaware.gov



This project was supported, in part, by grant #90MMPG0097-01-00 from the US Administration for Community Living, Dept. of Health and Human Services, Washington, D.C. 20201.

Visit our website for more information: <https://smp.dhss.delaware.gov/>

Use your compassion and talents to make a difference. Volunteer with AccentCare® Hospice today.

You can support our local patients and families by becoming a:

- Ambassador Volunteer**
 - Community outreach, volunteer recruitment
- Legacy Volunteer**
 - Create legacies: books, journals, CDs, memory bears, crafts
- Office Volunteer**
 - Administrative assistance
- Social & Companionship Volunteer**
 - Reading, walking, caregiver relief
- Music Companionship Volunteer**
 - Play, sing and share music with patients, families and friends
- Children's Bereavement Camp Volunteer**
 - Work with camp staff and children
- Bereavement Volunteer**
 - Emotional support for patient family and friends
- Spiritual Presence Volunteer**
 - Support patient's faith related requests
- Vigil Volunteer**
 - Companionship during patient's last hours
- Pet Visitation Volunteer**
 - Patient visits with certified Pet Partners or Therapy Dogs
- Special Projects Volunteer**
 - Volunteer support for special groups or events like We Honor Veterans

For more information contact

Danielle Briggs
at 302-515-3029



accentCare.

www.accentcare.com/volunteer

AccentCare welcomes all persons in need of its services and does not discriminate on the basis of race, ethnicity, sex, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, gender, gender identity and/or gender expression, sexual orientation, or source of payment.
© 2023 AccentCare, Inc. All rights reserved.



40TH ANNIVERSARY DELAWARE HOSPICE

Apply Today!

Seamstress and Crafter Volunteers Needed



Delaware Hospice is looking for crafty volunteers who would like to share their skills with our patients and families.

A One-of-a-Kind Memory of Your One-of-a-Kind Loved One

Memory Bears are crafted at no charge for families of patients in one of our Delaware Hospice programs. Bear patterns and supplies are provided for all orders and made possible through program donations.



Twiddle Muffs are knitted and crocheted muffs which help to alleviate agitation and restlessness in patients with Alzheimer's disease and Dementia. Patients and families benefit from the calming sensory objects.

Contact Danielle Briggs for more information
302-515-3029

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Delaware Hospice is taking every precaution to keep our volunteers, staff, patients, and families safe. PPE will be provided free of charge upon request.



Will You Provide Comfort and Care to the Most Vulnerable?

Join us! Our hospice volunteers become part of our team, building careers and lifelong friendships.

VITAS® Healthcare volunteers add to hospice patients' quality of life during their remaining months, weeks, and days. By providing companionship, volunteers ensure patients and their loved ones, have the support they need. As a VITAS volunteer, you'll receive comprehensive training to better assist patients and families. You'll become part of our professional team of doctors, nurses, aides, chaplains, and social workers—and forge alliances that you'll carry with you, possibly for life.

Areas Served:

Our patients are all over Sussex County, (Lewes, Rehoboth, Bethany, Millville, Georgetown, Laurel, Seaford, Millsboro)

For more information contact

Danielle Briggs at
302-515-3029

VITAS Healthcare
VITAS.com/Volunteer
Since 1980



Scan the QR code to learn more.

Play Hooky With Us!

Our dogs would love to spend time out of their kennels with you! Volunteer to take an adoptable dog for a fun outing such as a hike, a coffee date, or a meal at a pet-friendly location. Field trips can last from an hour to all day. Whatever works for you, works for us!

Want to give a shelter dog a skip day?

- Participants can stop by a participating campus nearest you to choose a dog to sign out for an hour, an afternoon, or the whole day.
- West Chester, New Castle, Dover, and Georgetown Campuses, as well as the Animal Rescue Center, are all open to Shelter Skip Day participation.
- Shelter Skip Days are available to members of the public Tuesday - Sunday.



Play Hooky With Us!

Our dogs would love to spend time out of their kennels with you! Volunteer to take an adoptable dog out for a fun outing such as a hike, a coffee date, or a meal at a pet friendly location. Field trips can last from an hour to all day. Whatever works for you, works for us!



Scan for more info!



What is a CASA?

A CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) is a specially trained volunteer appointed by a Family Court Judge to advocate for the best interest of a child experiencing foster care.

What do CASAs do?

- Advocate for children experiencing foster care due to abuse and neglect.
- Establish strong, stable connections with their assigned youth.
- Advocate to ensure the child receives needed essential services.
- Attend meetings and gather information from parties involved in the child's life.
- Work with the Child Attorney and CASA Coordinator to make recommendations in court for what's best for the child.
- Remains involved in the case until the child is reunified with their family or when that is not possible, works to find a safe and permanent home.
- Meet with the child face-to-face at least once a month.
- Attend all court hearings to testify to their findings and recommendations as the child's advocate.

Interested in Volunteering? Please call our office at

302-515-3020 so we can connect you with CASA.

accentCare.

Become a Loyal Friends Pet Team Hospice Volunteer!

Loyal Friends Pet Team volunteers share their dog's unconditional love with patients and families who could benefit from some animal companionship.

Pets and their handlers must be certified by Pet Partners or Therapy Dogs International and are required to be up-to-date on vaccinations. After (human) volunteers have completed orientation and training as a Direct Patient Care Volunteer and pets have a behavioral assessment by the Volunteer Department, they can make visits to patients at home, nursing facilities and our inpatient centers. Hours are flexible, depending on your schedule. For more information about the pet certification process, check out www.accentcare.com/volunteer/akc

For more information contact

Danielle Briggs at
302-515-3029



AccentCare welcomes all persons in need of its services and does not discriminate on the basis of age, disability, race, color, national origin, ancestry, religion, gender, gender identity and/or gender expression, sexual orientation, or source of payment.

© 2022 AccentCare, Inc. All rights reserved.

www.accentcare.com



Veteran Volunteers Needed

Are you a Veteran with a compassionate heart, a willingness to listen, and a desire to make a difference? We are looking for **Vet-to-Vet Volunteers** to support fellow Veteran patients across Delaware.

- ☑ No prior volunteer experience necessary. All volunteers will receive comprehensive training and ongoing support.
- ☑ Offer emotional support, companionship, and practical assistance to patients.
- ☑ Visit with patients and talk about their military experiences.
- ☑ Attend patient bedside ceremonies.

Make a Difference in a Fellow Veteran's Life. Contact Us Today!

Contact Danielle Briggs at 302-515-3029



Delaware Hospice is a proud We Honor Veterans Level Four Partner.




Volunteer with AccentCare® Hospice

Do you play an instrument or sing? AccentCare is looking for **volunteer musician companions**.

AccentCare has developed several specialty roles, which allow volunteers to utilize their own strengths and interests. This offers a meaningful and rewarding volunteer experience, and enhances the quality of life for our patients and their families.

Use your **compassion** and talents to **make a difference**.




Contact Danielle Briggs
302-515-3029 or email.
Danielle.Briggs@delaware.gov



accentcare.com/volunteer

AccentCare understands all persons in need of its services and does not discriminate on the basis of race, disability, sex, color, religion, origin, ancestry, religion, gender, gender identity and/or gender expression, sexual orientation, or source of payment. © 2024 AccentCare, Inc. Maryland's Most Compassionate Volunteer Team



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Do you have a group of friends interested in volunteering with Habitat?
Employees that could benefit from TEAM building activities?

Contact Bobbi Jo Tice 302-515-3020
or email
Bobbi.Tice@Delaware.gov





villagevolunteer.org
(302)-703-2568
info@villagevolunteer.org



Helping Older Adults Live Independently



Volunteer Application

VOLUNTEERS & PARTNERS NEEDED



To support and enhance the lives of older adults and improve community quality of life through services, programs, and advocacy.

Become a Business Partner

- Offer meaningful volunteer opportunities for your employees
- Sponsor an event or an activity
- Donate monetarily or time/talents

Volunteer with Us!

- Flexible schedule - pick a day/time that's convenient for you
- Build meaningful connections
- Feel the joy of giving back

Serving Milton, Lewes, Rehoboth Beach & Dewey Beach



Office Support Volunteers Needed

Apply Today!

At Delaware Hospice, our team of volunteers offer a wide range of talents to support our patients, families, and staff.

Office Support Volunteers May Assist With

- File documents.
- Assemble patient information packets.
- Assist with mailings.
- Provide clerical support.
- Run errands.
- Assist with medical records.
- Answer telephones.



Contact Danielle Briggs for more information

302-515-3029 or email. Danielle.Briggs@delaware.gov



THE ARK VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

The Ark is looking for volunteers to help make the world a better place by tutoring students/Assist with homework. Grades: K-12, Subject: Math or Reading. Setting: One-on-One.

Mentoring Opportunities

208 E. Front Street
Laurel, DE 19956

Contact
Danielle Briggs

At
302-515-3029

Benefits: This is your opportunity to volunteer and give back to your community. You'll get a sense of personal satisfaction, meet new people, earn volunteer hour etc. Students: Experience, Letter of recommendations, scholarship opportunities etc.



American Red Cross **Disaster Action Team** volunteers are there day and night, to turn tragedy into hope.

To learn more, visit redcross.org/dat or contact your local office:

Volunteer Recruitment Specialist
 Sheleasa Omogbai
 Sheleasa.Omogbai@redcross.org (410) 726-5272



Volunteer Opportunities EVENT COMMITTEE VOLUNTEER



Look Who's Cooking

Members of this Committee will be finding volunteer chefs to prepare food to share at the event as well as ensure we have community support in the form of sponsorship and attendance.



Annual Golf Outing

Annual Golf Outing Volunteer helps plan the outing from start to finish. We have the date and location-but everything else is open to have fun with. Sponsors, games, prizes, and food etc.



Baskets

Do you have a talent for gathering donations to put together for baskets to be auctioned off or for a drawing? We are looking for people to solicit donations from businesses so we can then put together baskets for silent auctions and tricky trays



For more information contact Bobbi Jo Tice at 302-515-3020 or email Bobbi.Tice@delaware.gov

POWER PAK TEAM LEADER

for Brunch 8 days per month

- ✓ Coordinates
- ✓ Collaborates
- ✓ Schedules




ASK for details



VOLUNTEER MINI-BUS DRIVERS NEEDED

- ✓ Provide transportation to and from Code Purple - Sussex County locations in Milford
- ✓ Morning Shift: 6:30 - 7:30 AM
Evening Shift: 7:30 - 8:30 PM
- ✓ Volunteer for just one day or multiple days—whatever fits your schedule!
- ✓ No CDL required, but a clean driving record is a must.



ASK for details



PRIME HOOK NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

Prime Hook Fishing Area Clean-Up

Our fishing areas at Fowler Beach Rd and Petersfield Ditch are a mess! In order to provide a higher quality recreational opportunity, we need some help! We're looking for a few people or a family/group to do a weekly clean up at one or both locations. Adopt-a-fishing spot! We'll provide the bags, gloves, and trash pickers

Contact Bobbi Jo Tice at 302-515-3020 or
email at Bobbi.Tice@delaware.gov



DelawareLibraries.org



Pilot Project

Determine if social activities & skills practice with peers help speed up learning processes for adults enrolled in the ESL program offered by Sussex Tech and hosted by the Georgetown Public Library.

Volunteers are needed, 30 to 60 minutes, to plan & implement activities i.e. cards, board games, conversation groups, or reading circles.

Georgetown Public Library

123 W. Pine Street
Georgetown, DE 19947

If interested please contact Danielle Briggs
302-515-3029 or Danielle.Briggs@delaware.gov





302-316-3112
 30181 Commerce Drive
 Millsboro, DE 19966

Fundraiser

Read Aloud Delaware
 Monday, January 13th, 2025
 3pm-9pm

10% Donation Night

Support Read Aloud Delaware by printing and presenting this flyer to your server at the Millsboro location and Texas Roadhouse will donate 10% of your total food purchases to us!

(Not valid with other offers including Early Bird Specials.)

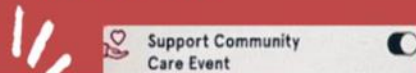


FUNDRAISER

SUPPORTING GEORGETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY

Tuesday, January 7, 2025
 Time: 7am-9pm

10% will be donated to the Georgetown Public Library! Orders must be placed on the Chick-Fil-A app, and the button labeled "Support Community Care Event" must be clicked:



DON'T FORGET TO REGISTER FOR THE PLUNGE

❄️ CAN YOU BEAR IT? ❄️

In-Person: Sunday, February 2 at Rehoboth Beach - 1:00 p.m.

Virtual: Anytime, any place!

Be part of a Delaware tradition and join us for the 34th Annual Lewes Polar Bear Plunge.

When you get cold, you give our athletes a chance to win the gold.

[Register here](#) or learn more at www.PlungeDE.org

Opportunities to volunteer for Plunge will open in early January.



❖ ❖ Nominations Are Now Open for Adults and Youth Awards! ❖ ❖

2025 GOVERNOR'S VOLUNTEER SERVICE AWARDS

Together We Shine!

NOMINATIONS OPEN!

Submit Your Nominations by January 19th, 2025

State Office of Volunteerism
DELAVOLUNTEER
 volunteer.delaware.gov

Nominations are open for the 2025 Governor's Volunteer Service Awards! This year, we're introducing a Young Environmentalist Stewardship category, recognizing one youth honoree committed to protecting Delaware's environment. Submit your nomination by January 19, 2025, at the Volunteer Delaware's website <https://volunteer.delaware.gov/>

Links for Nomination Forms:

2025 Governor's Outstanding Volunteer Service Awards: <https://bit.ly/3ZgFPTp>

2025 Governor's Youth Volunteer Service Awards: <http://bit.ly/4fIWW63>

THE KITCHEN SCHOOL - A FREE TRAINING PROGRAM FOR ADULTS WITH DISABILITIES

TRAIN NOW FOR A NEW CAREER

2022 Superstar in Education WINNER

The sky is the limit with the Food Bank of Delaware's new 12-week vocational training program, The Kitchen School! Gain the needed training and experience to land a new job in the food service industry!

- HANDS-ON**
Learn cooking skills, food safety and sanitation in an industrial kitchen.
- JOB COACHING**
Students will spend four weeks transitioning to permanent employment through on-site job coaching and individualize job plans.
- SUPPORTIVE**
Transportation cost assistance, uniform and textbook provided.
- JOB MATCHING**
We will use our industry connections to help students obtain employment.

CLASS SCHEDULE: Millford: Start date January 13, 2025

Equal Opportunity Employer/Program
 Auxiliary aids and services are available upon request to individuals with disabilities
 Funded by Delaware Workforce Development Board and Department of Labor in partnership with the Delaware Restaurant Association

LEARN MORE: Marie Frazier
 mfrazier@fbd.org
 (302) 424-3301 ext 149

WWW.FBD.ORG/THEKITCHENSCHOOL

Georgetown Public Library

Genealogy 101: Little-known resources at the Delaware Public Archives

Monday, January 13 at 1:00pm

This presentation will include the most common records used by genealogists but will take a deeper look into those little-known resources that can be most helpful when researching your family tree. Some of the little know resources that will be discussed include Pauper Records, Legislative Petitions, Apprentice Indentures, City Directories, and Enrolled Bills.

Sign up online at georgetown.lib.de.us.



Respite Voucher Program

Take a Break through Easterseals Respite Grants

Are you...

- Caring for an aging parent?
- Raising your grandkids?
- A senior taking care of someone with a disability?



Respite grant funding is available

While caregiving is rewarding, it requires an immense amount of time and energy, and often leads to caregiver burnout. By providing a temporary break in caregiving, respite allows you to relax a bit, clear your mind and/or attend to other family needs. Respite helps to keep family caregivers physically and emotionally healthy by reducing the likelihood of depression, anxiety, and isolation.



Through Easterseals respite services, caregivers can receive a voucher to be used to pay for the care of your loved one while you take a break. It could be a date night with your significant other, lunch with a good friend, or sitting outside reading a book. A friend, a neighbor, or an agency may provide the care.

Contact us to learn how you can take a break!



DELAWARE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities

*Partially funded through the state Division of Services for Aging and Adults with Physical Disabilities through the National Family Caregiver Support Program, Title III-E of the Older Americans Act

de.easterseals.com

302-221-2087 - resources@esdel.org

Community Partners

Alzheimer's Association	Delaware Botanic Gardens	Milford Advocacy for the Homeless
American Legion Aux. #17	Delaware Hospice/South Division	Milford Public Library
American Red Cross of Delmarva	Delaware Senior Medicare Patrol Program	Milford Wellness Village
American Veterans Thrift Store	Delaware Veterans Home	Milton CHEER Center
Atlantic Shores Rehab & Health Care	Easter Seals	Nanticoke Senior Center
Autism Delaware	First Tee-Delaware	Nanticoke Watershed Alliance Creek Watchers
Auxiliary of Stockley Center	Food Bank of Delaware	New Life Thrift Shop
Back Bay Strummers	Georgetown CHEER Center	Ocean View Volunteers
Bayhealth Medical Center	Georgetown Public Library	Ombudsman Program
Beebe Healthcare	Georgetown VA Clinic	Overfalls Foundation
Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Delaware	GFWC Women's Club of Indian River	Pathways to Success, Inc.
Blood Bank of Delmarva	GFWC Zwaanendael Women's Club	PAWS for People
Boys & Girls Clubs of Delaware	Good Samaritan Aide Organization, Inc	Possum Point Players
Brandywine Living at Seaside Pointe	Greenwood CHEER Center	Prime Hook National Wildlife Refuge
Brandywine Valley SPCA	Habitat for Humanity	Read-Aloud Delaware
Bridgeville Senior Center	Habitat ReStore	Robin Hood Thrift Shop
Cancer Support Community	Harbor Health Care Center	Ronald McDonald House of Delaware
Cape Henlopen School District (K-12)	Harbour Lights CHEER Center	Roxana CHEER Center
Cape Henlopen Senior Center	Indian River School District (K-12)	Shoes That Fit
CareWear Project	Indian River Senior Center	South Coastal Library
CASA Program	Laurel Senior Center	Special Olympics Delaware
Casa San Francisco	Lewes Senior Activity Center	The ARK Educational Consulting, Inc.
CHEER Coastal Leisure Center	Little Grace Kids	Thresholds, Sussex Correctional Institute
ChristianaCare Hospice in collaboration with Delaware AccentCare	Long Neck CHEER Center	TidalHealth-Nanticoke
Coastal Concerts, Inc.	Love INC of Mid-Delmarva	Village Volunteers
Community Resource Center	Manor House	VITAS Healthcare
Connecting Generations	Mason-Dixon Woodworkers	Volunteer Delaware 50+ Advisory Council, Inc.
Contact Lifeline	Matter of Balance	Volunteer Delaware 50+ Technical Assistance
DCRAC (DE Community Reinvestment Action Council)	Meals on Wheels Lewes-Rehoboth	Women's Club of Milton