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## December 31 — New Year's Eve Volunteers

**Tuesday, December 31: 4:30-8:30 p.m.**

The Green Bay YMCA needs volunteers for their Rockin' New Year's Eve Green Bay event, which will take place at the East Side, Ferguson Family, and West Side Ys. Duties include assisting with food and refreshments, arts and crafts, inflatables, and more at this family-friendly celebration. Volunteers younger than 14 must be accompanied by a parent. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or [volunteer@greenbayymca.org](mailto:volunteer@greenbayymca.org).

## January 7-February 4 — Learning with Legos Volunteers

**Tuesdays: 4:20-5:20 p.m.**

The Green Bay YMCA is seeking volunteers ages 14 and older who would like to help expose 2nd and 3rd grade children, in an after-school program, to science and math through fun and engaging Lego projects. Volunteers will work with students to teach lessons in problem-solving, as well as learning about the components and engineering of simple machines. Location is Baird Elementary School in Green Bay. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or [volunteer@greenbayymca.org](mailto:volunteer@greenbayymca.org).

## January 25 — Winterfest Volunteers

**Saturday, January 25: various shifts from 9:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.**

On Broadway is in need of volunteers for their Winterfest event. Duties include setting up, tearing down, and monitoring the soup stop and activity areas. Sign up at [www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e45a8ae2da5ff2-winterfest3](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080e45a8ae2da5ff2-winterfest3) or **contact** Sam Maass at 920-569-3436 or [samantha@onbroadway.org](mailto:samantha@onbroadway.org) with questions.

## January 25 — Father/Daughter Dance Volunteers

**Saturday, January 25: 2:30-5:30 p.m.**

The Green Bay YMCA would like volunteers ages 14 and older to help at their father/daughter dance. Assistance is needed with set-up, clean-up, check-in, cookie decorating, arts and crafts, and serving refreshments. Location: Broadview YMCA, 380 Broadview Dr., Green Bay. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or [volunteer@greenbayymca.org](mailto:volunteer@greenbayymca.org).

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## January 31 — Memory Café Volunteers

### **Friday, January 31: 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (plus additional dates listed below)**

Brown County will host a new memory café at Barkhausen Waterfowl Preserve in Suamico on four occasions in 2020 (additional dates are March 27, September 25, and December 4). If you are age 21 or over and enjoy the company of others, the elderly, and those with early memory loss, and can initiate and contribute to the conversation, assist with an indoor/outdoor activity or craft, assist with s'mores by the fire or hot chocolate, or play table games, this may be the volunteer opportunity you are looking for. These memory cafés provide a safe place where individuals with early memory loss and their companion/caregiver can socialize with others on the same journey, engage, relax, and have fun. A packet of volunteer materials, including a background check, will be provided upon request and must be completed *before* you can start volunteering. **Contact** Connie Roberts at 920-412-9960 or [croberts@curativeconnections.org](mailto:croberts@curativeconnections.org).

## Looking Ahead

## February 19-March 27 — Learning with Legos Volunteers

### **Wednesdays: 4:00-5:00 p.m.**

The Green Bay YMCA is in need of volunteers ages 14 and older who would like to help expose 2nd and 3rd grade children, in an after-school program, to science and math through fun and engaging Lego projects. Volunteers will work with students to teach lessons in problem-solving, as well as learning about the components and engineering of simple machines. Location is Beaumont Elementary School in Green Bay. **Contact** Laurie Zastrow at 920-436-9577 or [volunteer@greenbayymca.org](mailto:volunteer@greenbayymca.org).

## Ongoing Opportunities

### Blood Drive Volunteers

#### **Various dates, flexible schedule (during regular business hours)**

The American Red Cross would like volunteers ages 18 and older to assist at blood drives doing tasks such as registering people, handing out snacks, and interacting with donors.

**Contact** Lee Borofka at 920-737-9974 or [lee.borofka@redcross.org](mailto:lee.borofka@redcross.org).

## Girl Scout Assistant Leader Volunteer

### **Two hours every other Saturday, plus other events occasionally**

Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes would like an individual age 18 or older to help build girls of courage, confidence, and character by serving as an assistant troop leader in the East Green Bay, Sullivan Elementary School area. The volunteer will assist with planning and running troop meetings, as well as help with the upcoming cookie program season. All Girl Scout volunteers are background-checked. **Contact** Michaela Hofer at 920-955-3422 or [mhofer@gsnwgl.org](mailto:mhofer@gsnwgl.org).

## Volunteer Guardians

### **Flexible, based on needs of the ward**

Brown County Health and Human Services is seeking individuals ages 18 or older to act as legal guardians, which are decision-makers and advocates for those who are incompetent due to aging, a developmental disability, chronic mental illness or alcohol and drug abuse (i.e., ward). Guardians ensure that the individual's rights to proper housing, nutrition, and medical care are met. A guardian is expected to visit their ward at least once a month and complete an annual report. A legal guardian does not financially support the ward, take care of the ward on a day-to-day basis, or personally provide a place for the ward to live. **Contact** Jenna Durkee at 920-448-6023 or [jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov](mailto:jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov).

## 'Be a Big' Volunteers

### **Flexible schedule**

Big Brothers Big Sisters has more than 100 children waiting to be matched with an adult mentor, and more than 60 of those waiting are boys. Could you be a mentor to a child in need of a caring, positive role model? Bigs come from diverse backgrounds just like Littles. They are regular people, just like you. You don't need any special degrees or job skills. You just have to want to positively impact a young person and be age 18 or older. Learn more at [bbbsnew.org/be-a-big](http://bbbsnew.org/be-a-big) or **contact** Jeanne Jauquet at 920-498-2227 or [jeannej@bbbsnew.org](mailto:jeannej@bbbsnew.org).

## Scrabble Bee Planning/Preparation Volunteers

### **Through February, dates and times to be scheduled at volunteers' convenience**

Literacy Green Bay is in need of volunteers ages 18 and older to assist with preparation for their Scrabble Bee fundraising event. Opportunities include being part of the event planning committee, helping recruit businesses and individuals to sponsor a table or donate raffle prizes, assisting in assembling silent auction baskets, and completing other related administrative tasks prior to the event. **Contact** Robyn Hallet at 920-435-2474 or [rhallet@literacygreenbay.org](mailto:rhallet@literacygreenbay.org).

## Pals Volunteers

### **Two to three times per month**

Brown County Health and Human Services would like volunteer mentors ages 18 or older to spend time in a recreational or learning activity with a child (age 3 or older) who has been referred by Brown County Child Protective Services. Mentors help the child adjust to the separation or loss of a parent, enhance self-esteem and confidence, and learn new skills. Matches are invited to attend a fun activity each month that is free of charge. Matches are based on compatibility and can continue for as long as both parties are interested, though it is hoped that volunteers would engage with their Pal for a minimum of one year. **Contact** Jenna Durkee at 920-448-6023 or [jenna.durkee@browncountyiwi.gov](mailto:jenna.durkee@browncountyiwi.gov).

## Pet Companion Volunteers

### **Flexible, based on volunteers' availability**

AseraCare Hospice would like volunteers ages 18 and older who have pets that would do well visiting hospice patients throughout the Green Bay and Appleton areas. **Contact** Alison Holbrook at 920-339-9065 or [alison.holbrook@aseracare.com](mailto:alison.holbrook@aseracare.com).

## Electrical Function Tester Volunteer

### **Monday-Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

If you are a bit of a gadget fan (figuring out how they work and making sure they are safe to use), this is a great volunteering role for you. St. Vincent de Paul's West location needs volunteers to test the electrical equipment donated to them to make sure it is suitable and safe for sale. **Contact** Joycea Aiello at 920-435-4040 x107 or [joycea@svdpgb.org](mailto:joycea@svdpgb.org).

## Court-Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Volunteers

### **Once a week for one hour; dates and times vary**

CASA is dedicated to providing a voice for abused and neglected children who are under the legal protection of the court system. They are seeking volunteers ages 21 and older to visit with a child weekly and submit a monthly report to the judge about the child's safety and well-being to help the judge make important decisions about the child's future. Volunteers will be professionally trained and supported by staff. **Contact** Sarah Quinette at 920-437-2272 x104 or [sarah@casabc.org](mailto:sarah@casabc.org).

## Hospice Volunteers

### **Flexible schedule**

AseraCare Hospice is looking for volunteers to provide companionship to their patients by reading to them, playing cards, going outside with them for fresh air or simply talking. Minors should be accompanied by an adult. **Contact** Alison Holbrook at 920-339-9065 or [alison.holbrook@aseracare.com](mailto:alison.holbrook@aseracare.com).

## Girl Scout Leader Volunteers

Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes is seeking volunteers ages 18 and older (out of high school) to help empower young girls by leading troops. This is a wonderful way to spend time with your family member while making a difference in your community. Training and resources are offered to all volunteers. Available openings:

De Pere

- Kindergarten leader for Susie C. Altmayer Elementary
- Kindergarten leader for Westwood Elementary

Green Bay

- 2nd and 3rd grade leaders for MacArthur Elementary
- Kindergarten/1st grade leader for Howe Elementary
- Kindergarten/1st grade leader for Sullivan Elementary
- Kindergarten leader for Baird Elementary

Howard

- Kindergarten leader for Meadowbrook Elementary
- Kindergarten/1st grade leader for St. John the Baptist

**Contact** the Girl Scouts at 888-747-6945 or [info@gsnwgl.org](mailto:info@gsnwgl.org).

## Visual Merchandising Volunteer

**Monday-Saturday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., 1:00-4:00 p.m. or 4:00-7:00 p.m.**

**Sunday, 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. or 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

St. Vincent de Paul's East and West locations would like volunteers to highlight and organize important, seasonal, and other merchandise to create a better shopping experience for everyone. **Contact** Joyce Aiello at 920-435-4040 x107 or [joycea@svdpgb.org](mailto:joycea@svdpgb.org).

## Parent Pals Volunteers

**Two to three times per month**

Brown County Health and Human Services is looking for volunteer mentors ages 18 or older to spend time with parents referred by Brown County Child Protective Services who have identified an interest in having an informal support in their lives. This often involves helping parents of minor children develop new skills that empower the family to live and function in a safe and healthy manner. Matches are based on compatibility and can continue for as long as both parties are interested, though it is hoped that volunteers would engage with their Parent Pal for a minimum of one year. **Contact** Jenna Durkee at 920-448-6023 or [jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov](mailto:jenna.durkee@browncountywi.gov).

## Bilingual Girl Scout Recruitment Volunteer

**Days and times are as needed and vary, usually weeknights**

The Girl Scouts of the Northwestern Great Lakes would like volunteers ages 18 and older to assist Girl Scout staff members in recruiting Spanish-speaking girls and communicating information to parents. **Contact** Kayla Beyersdorf at 920-955-3404 or [kbeyersdorf@gsnwgl.org](mailto:kbeyersdorf@gsnwgl.org).