

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT UPDATE

SEPTEMBER 2019



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Welcome to our monthly update on community engagement opportunities for students, faculty, & staff at Mercy College of Ohio.

Have a service opportunity or a community partner you'd like us to share? Contact Annie Devine, Director of Campus Ministry & Service Learning at 419-251-1866 or annie.devine@mercycollege.edu

Mercy College Opportunity

Toledo Campus

Mercy College STEM Team

Service Opportunity: STEM in the Park

Date & Time: Sept 28, 8am-11am or 11am-2:30pm

Location: BGSU - Perry Fieldhouse

Info: Interact with and educate kids about the health care field.

Lunch provided. **Sign up by Sept 4!**

Contact: Scott Hevner, 419-251-1493

scott.hevner1@mercycollege.edu





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NORTHWEST OHIO



ALUMNI BANQUET

Date & Time: Saturday, Sept. 21, 2019 (4:00-8:00pm)

Location: The Premier, 4480 Heatherdowns Blvd.
Toledo, OH 43614

Info: Help with check-in, greet and direct alumni to their assigned tables. Contact Karen to sign up and/or get more info.

Contact: Karen Dziengelewski, 419-260-8947

karen.dziengelewski@mercy.com

ALUMNI BRUNCH

Date & Time: Sunday, Sept. 22, 2019

Location: Mercy College of Ohio, J3302

Info: Students are needed to help check-in and direct alumni to their tables. Serve as a resource to alumni board members organizing the event who might be in need of help.

Contact: Karen Dziengelewski, 419-260-8947

karen.dziengelewski@mercy.com

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SOUTHERNCARE HOSPICE

Service Opportunity: Clerical Assistant and Patient Visitors

Date & Time: ongoing need; flexible times

Location: SouthernCare Office
6545 W Central Ave. Suite 103
Toledo, Ohio 43617

Info: Clerical duties in office or visiting patients in surrounding Toledo Area facilities.

Preferred Attire: Casual

Contact: Dani Beamer, 740-408-3953

danielle.beamer@southerncareinc.com

www.southerncarehospice.com



BETHANY HOUSE

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Service Opportunity: Fall & Spring Cleaning

Date & Time: Fall & Spring, date and time is flexible

Location: Toledo, Ohio

Info: We are looking for a group of 10-20 to commit to bi-yearly cleaning at Bethany House, a domestic violence shelter in Toledo, Ohio. Groups must sign confidentiality forms as our address is not publicized for the safety of our program participants.

Preferred Number of Volunteers: group of 10-20

Preferred Attire: Cleaning clothing

Contact: Delray Busch, (419) 727-4948,

engaged@bethanyhousetoledo.org

www.bethanyhousetoledo.org



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FRANKLIN AVE MEDICAL CENTER

Service Opportunity: Mercy Health Activity Academy; Starting Fresh Program; Food Pantry, Clothing Closet

Date & Time: Activity Academy: Wednesdays, 4:30-5:45pm; Other programs happen weekly at various times throughout the weekday.

Location: Franklin Ave Medical Center, 2213 Franklin Ave. Toledo, OH 43620

Info: The Mercy Health Activity Academy and the Starting Fresh Program are community outreach programs aimed at educating youth of the inner city on nutrition, mindfulness, exercise, and other health-related topics. Volunteers are needed on a weekly basis to help with making snacks and assisting instructors with activities. Opportunities also exist to help with the Food Pantry and Clothing Closet during the week. These programs run year round.

Contact: Sam Adams, 419-251-2578

sadams1@mercy.com

EMS TRAINING DAY

Service Opportunity: Volunteer to be a “victim” or to help with the logistics for EMS Training Day

Date & Time: Wed. Sept. 18, 11am-3pm

Location: Owens Community College

Info: EMS Training Day is a full day of Emergency Medicine Resident hands-on education in Fire and EMS. We are looking for 20 volunteers to serve as victims, and possibly help us coordinate the event. This will be a great opportunity to get involved in the education of young physicians, work with our local Fire and EMS personnel, learn about disaster response, and see how realistic we can be with our simulated injury “moulage” makeup and special effects.

Contact: Tara Linker, TLinker@mercy.com



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Service Opportunity: Friday Night Lunch Packing; Saturday Mini-Mobiles

Date & Time: Lunch Packing: Fridays at 6pm; Mini-Mobiles: Saturdays 10:00am & 11:30am

Location: Trinity Episcopal Church, 316 Adams St. Toledo, OH

Info: Volunteers assist us with packing lunches for our Saturday mini-mobiles. We welcome groups and people of all ages and abilities to help with packing lunches. On Saturday mornings, we get to know our neighbors as we share the lunches we've packed with people throughout the downtown Toledo area. Individuals and groups accompany Food for Thought on our normal bus stop routes as we provide food, water or coffee — as well as conversation with the people we meet — sunshine or snowfall.

Contact: Caitlin, caitlin@feedtoledo.org

www.feedtoledo.org

**Check out the flyers
on the back for more
info from other orgs**



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Catholic Charities

Diocese of Toledo

Helping people of all faiths

LA POSADA FAMILY SHELTER

Service Opportunity: Enrichment Volunteer

Date & Time: Ongoing opportunity; once a week, Mon-Fri, 3-4pm

Location: La Posada Family Shelter
435 Eastern Ave. Toledo, OH 43609

Info: Volunteers read, play board games, and help with student homework. Volunteer commitment is one day a week for two months.

Contact: Byron Wynn, 419-276-8334 (text)

bwynn@toledodiocese.org

HELPING HANDS OF SAINT LOUIS

Service Opportunity: Multiple opportunities available with the Clothing Center, the Garden, Opportunity Kitchen, and the Pantry.

Date & Time: Various days/times

Location: Helping Hands of Saint Louis
443 6th St. Toledo, OH 43605

Info: Clothing Closet: help with light lifting, sorting of clothing donations, and helping guests make selections. T, W, TH from 9-noon, some Saturdays; Opportunity Kitchen Assistant: assist instructor in a teaching kitchen environment, provide support and encourage students. Group meal at the end of each class. M and W for 10 weeks, starting 9/10, 1:30-6pm
Pantry Vols: organize & stock food, help guests make grocery selections; must be able to lift 5-20lbs; Tues & Thurs, 9am-noon.

Garden: help with weeding, mulching, and plant care.

Contact: Byron Wynn, 419-276-8334 (text)

bwynn@toledodiocese.org



METROPARKS TOLEDO

WATER QUALITY MONITORING

Date & Time:

Mon. Sept. 16: 6:00-8:00pm (Side Cut Metropark)

Fri. Sept. 20: 6:00-8:00pm (Farnsworth Metropark)

Sat. Sept. 21: 9:00-11:00am (Providence Metropark)

Location:

Side Cut Metropark: Maumee, OH

Farnsworth Metropark: Waterville, OH

Providence Metropark: Grand Rapids, OH

Info: Assist Metroparks staff in the use of biological monitoring to determine the water quality of streams and rivers in and near Metroparks. Age 12+ (must be accompanied by an adult if under 18).

Contact: Meredith Busic

meredith.busic@metroparkstoledo.com

STEWARDSHIP WORKDAYS

Date & Time: Every Saturday, 9am-noon

Location:

Sept. 7, 14, 21: Oak Openings Preserve /Blue Creek

Sept. 28: Wildwood Preserve

Info: Volunteers assist with removing invasive species and restoring native habitat. Age 12+ (16 & under must be accompanied by an adult).

Contact: Meredith Busic

meredith.busic@metroparkstoledo.com

NATIONAL PUBLIC LANDS DAY

Date & Time: Sat. Sept. 28, 10:30am-1:30pm

Location: Glass City Metropark (downtown Toledo)

Info: Join us in celebrating National Public Lands Day and help us clean up the site for our up-and-coming Glass City Metropark. Get a sneak peek at a park that is not yet open to the public!

Contact: Meredith Busic

meredith.busic@metroparkstoledo.com



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SOUTHEAST MICHIGAN



CAPUCHIN SOUP KITCHEN

Service Opportunity: Various Opportunities assisting with the outreach programs of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen

Date & Time: Varies, year round opportunities available

Location: 3 different sites in Detroit, MI

Info: Volunteer opportunities include serving meals, assisting in kitchens., sorting clothing, preparing emergency food packages, tutoring and mentoring children and teens. Find out more info or complete an online application here:

www.cskdetroit.org/ways_to_give/volunteer

Contact: Services Center - Candice Wroblewski, cwroblewski@cskdetroit.org, 313-925-1370 ext. 3206

Conner Kitchen – Maxwell Morrison, mmorrison@cskdetroit.org, 313-822-8606 ext. 4210

Meldrum Kitchen – Rita Johnson, rjohnson@cskdetroit.org, 313-579-2100 ext. 2213

EARTHWORKS URBAN FARM

Service Opportunity: Volunteer at Earthworks Urban Farm, a program of the Capuchin Soup Kitchen

Date & Time: Our volunteer schedule is seasonal. We have outdoor gardens as well as a greenhouse and hoophouse so we can work rain or shine. 9am-noon on the following days: Wednesdays (2/6-12/18), Saturdays (4/6 - 11/16), Thursdays & Fridays (6/7 - 8/30)

Location: 1264 Meldrum, Detroit, MI 48207.

Info: Various volunteer activities (depending on time of year, weather, etc.) including making soil blocks or germination trays, turning compost, planting/seeding, harvesting/processing produce, cultivating/weeding beds, general cleanup and other tasks generally related to gardening or farming. Unless you're coming with a large group, no need to RSVP. Just show up ready to work. More info about what to expect and what to wear is here:

www.cskdetroit.org/earthworks/get_involved/volunteer

Contact: Patrick or Tyler, earthworks@cskdetroit.org, (313)-579-2100 ext. 2204

GOD WORKS FAMILY SOUP KITCHEN

Service Opportunity: Volunteer to assist with community dinners throughout Monroe County

Date & Time: Dinners are served at 6pm on various days & at various locations.

Location: Monroe County, MI

More location info here: <https://bit.ly/2ZoB64w>

Info: God Works was founded in 2005 in an effort to feed the less fortunate in Monroe County on a

regular basis. Before God Works began opening meals, there were only two meals per week served in all of the county. Within one year of opening our first meal, we had increased the meals in the city of Monroe to include every night of the week. Every one who comes to the meals are served without charge and there are no strings attached. God Works is a non-denominational organization that serves each of our meals in a different church.

Contact: Call the God Works Volunteer Hotline 734-241-8181





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YOUNGSTOWN AREA



UNITED WAY OF YOUNGSTOWN AND THE MAHONING VALLEY

Service Opportunity: United Way's Day of Caring

Date & Time: Friday, Sept. 6, 2019

Location: Various Locations in Mahoning County

Info: United Way partners with the Youngstown Neighborhood Development Corporation, City of Youngstown, and the American Red Cross to complete the City's largest "Fight Blight" project of the year. More than 1,000 volunteers sign up for the Day of Caring with 700 of those volunteers working on the YNDC/ City of Youngstown Project. The rest of the volunteers go to United Way's partner agencies throughout Mahoning County. More info can be found here:

www.ymvunitedway.org/day-caring

Contact: Roxann Sebest, (rsebest@ymvunitedway.org) or Whitney Winch (wwinch@ymvunitedway.org) or call 330-746-8494



Second Harvest Food Bank

of the Mahoning Valley

SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK

Service Opportunity: Sort & re-pack food

Date & Time: Mondays – Fridays, 9:00am-noon; and Tuesday afternoons, 2:00-4:00pm

Location: 2805 Salt Springs Road
Youngstown, Ohio 44509

Info: Volunteers are especially needed to sort and re-box food in the warehouse and occasionally work on special projects like Taste of the Valley and Harvest for Hunger. You'll have the satisfaction of knowing that your work is helping to feed people in our community—a child will go to bed with a belly full of food or a senior will be able to eat and purchase the medicine they need because of your efforts.

Volunteers must be able to lift 20 lb. boxes. This is an ongoing need, not a single event. More info can be found at: www.mahoningvalleysecondharvest.org

Contact: Christina Wagner, 330-792-5522 ext. 102, chwagner@shfbmv.org

THE WAY STATION

Service Opportunity: Various Volunteer roles

Date & Time: Varies

Location: 769 Springfield Rd. Columbiana, OH 44408

Info: Volunteers are the lifeblood of our great organization. We are always looking for loving, compassionate individuals to help in various areas: Clothing Desk Clerk, Childcare Provider, Office Help, Consignment Store Liaison, Display Designer, Cashier/Receptionist, Retail/Stock Clerk, Household Merchandiser, Food Pantry Assistant. People interested in volunteering are asked to complete an application and return it to The Way Station.

Contact: Vicki Ritterspach, 330-482-5072, www.thewaystationinc.org



Looking for Service Hours???

Join the Mercy College STEM Team!!



Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics

What: Interact with & educate kids about the health care field

When: September 28, 2019, 8 AM-11 AM OR 11 AM-2:30 PM

****Lunch Provided****

Where: Bowling Green State University, Perry Fieldhouse

Contact Kelly Seward (kelly.seward@mercycollege.edu) or
Scott Hevner (scott.hevner1@mercycollege.edu)
for more info or to sign up by September 4!



FANS Network Donation Drive

Who: Anyone willing to donate items.

When: September 26th, 2019 during Goodwill's normal business hours

What: Please bring items that can be donated to Goodwill and state that you are donating items on behalf of the FANS Network of the Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

How this Helps: The bins for all items will be noted at the time of donation. Goodwill Industries will then provide vouchers for individuals being served by The Lucas County Board of Developmental Disabilities. The number of vouchers provided will be based on the number of bins filled on this day. These vouchers can then be used to purchase any needed items in any of the Goodwill Stores in Northwest Ohio.

Where:

Goodwill Stores at the following locations:

2021 S Reynolds Rd, Toledo, Ohio 43614

2600 W Sylvania Ave, Sylvania, Ohio 43613

Hours for all above locations: 9:00am-9:00pm

3249 Navarre Ave Oregon, Ohio 43616

5917 Weckerly Rd, Whitehouse, Ohio 43571

Hours for all above locations: 9:00am-8:00pm

Donation Stations at the following locations:

3022 Glendale Ave, Toledo, Ohio 43614

3015 Holland Sylvania Rd, Toledo, Ohio 43615

7634 W Sylvania Ave, Sylvania, Ohio 43560

5810 Monroe St, Sylvania, Ohio 43560

741 Michigan Ave, Waterville, Ohio 43566

Hours for all above locations: 9:00am-6:00pm

Goodwill Industries of Northwest Ohio, Inc.'s mission is to help people with disabilities get jobs by providing vital workforce training programs.