

# COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER CALENDAR

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## JANUARY

### Sack Supper Helpers

#### Kids Food Basket

Ongoing need

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## MARCH

### Spring Cleaning

#### Ladder Homes

Help needed each spring

Volunteers are needed to help with spring cleaning.

Contact: 616.786.2606

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## MAY

### French Heating & Cooling, Inc. Track & Field Games

#### Northwest Ottawa Recreation Authority (NORA)

Event typically held in May

This meet emphasizes friendship, sportsmanship and the physical exercise aspects of track and field. Contestants may enter as many as 3 events; one running and one field event must be included.

Contact: 616.850.5125

### Advocates in Action Luncheon

#### Children's Advocacy Center of Ottawa County

Event typically held in May

This luncheon features nationally recognized speakers each year and supports programs for local children who have been abused.

Contact: 616.393.6123

### Tulip Time Party Activities

#### Ready for School

Event held in May, mid-morning to early afternoon

10-15 volunteers are needed to help with kids activities during Tulip Time.

Contact: 616.834.0515

## JUNE

### Summer Lunch Program

#### Ready for School

Every day M-F starting mid-June, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Volunteers are needed to read and do activities with kids during the lunch program.

Contact: 616.834.0515

### Child Abuse Benefit Golf Outing

#### Children's Advocacy Center of Ottawa County

Event typically held in June

This golf outing event supports programs for local children who have been abused.

Contact: 616.393.6123

### Good Sam's Wild Run

#### Good Samaritan Ministries

Typically second Saturday in June

Good Sam's Wild Run is an obstacle run for kids ages 4-13 where the obstacles are created by local companies. All proceeds go to support youth programming at Good Samaritan Ministries that work to end the cycle of generational poverty.

Contact: 616.392.7159

### Herrick Fest Activities

#### Ready for School

Event held in June

Volunteers are needed to help with kids activities.

Contact: 616.834.0515

### Evening for Kids' Sake

#### Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lakeshore

Takes place at Hampton Green Farm in Fruitport

Date changes each year, but the place will be the same

Evening for Kids' Sake is a fabulous night of good food, music, and dance. The agency will be hosting this dinner at Hampton Green Farm in Fruitport. Included in the evening is a dressage horse show and a silent auction.

Contact: 888.499.2447

## JULY

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Every day M-F starting mid-June, 11:30 am – 1:00 pm

Volunteers are needed to read and do activities with kids during the lunch program.

Contact: 616.834.0515

### Miranda's Park Party Activities

#### Ready for School

Event held in July

Volunteers are needed to help with kids activities.

Contact: 616.834.0515

[www.OttawaUnitedWay.org](http://www.OttawaUnitedWay.org)



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Holland, MI 49423

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Grand Haven, MI 49417

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Greater Ottawa County  
United Way

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## Stuff the Bus Backpack & School Supply Drive

### Greater Ottawa County United Way

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Donate backpacks and school supplies to help local kids in need. Backpacks full of supplies are distributed by the Salvation Army organizations in Holland and Grand Haven each August before school begins.

Contact: Shannon at [slahaie@ottawaunitedway.org](mailto:slahaie@ottawaunitedway.org).

## AUGUST

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Contact: 616.834.0515

### National Kids Night Out Activities

#### Ready for School

Event held in August

Volunteers are needed to help with kids activities.

Contact: 616.834.0515

### Lunch Servers

#### The Salvation Army Grand Haven

Ongoing need

Volunteers are needed to help serve lunch to clients.

Contact: 616.842.3380

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## SEPTEMBER

### Day of Caring

#### Greater Ottawa County United Way

Takes place annually on the 3rd Thursday of September

Day of Caring is a fun opportunity for groups to get out into the community and help nonprofit organizations with much-needed projects. More than 650 volunteers participate each year. Lunch and activities take place each year in between the morning and afternoon volunteer shifts.

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## OCTOBER

### MSU vs. U of M Tailgate

#### Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Lakeshore

Place: LST Ship in Muskegon MI

Date and Time changes each year (depending on the game), but the place will be the same

MSU vs. U of M Tailgate is a family friendly event. Watch the foot-

ball game aboard the historic USS LST 393 in Muskegon. There is food, a 50/50 raffle, and silent auction.

Contact: 888.499.2447

### Building Bridges

#### Ready for School

Mid-October, flexible schedule

Volunteers are needed for prep work, packing materials bags and sorting paper materials.

Contact: 616.834.0515

## NOVEMBER

### Rake-A-Difference

#### Greater Ottawa County United Way

Takes place annually in early November

Rake-A-Difference at the homes of local senior citizens and those who need help with raking and fall clean up. Families, friends and groups are welcome to volunteer!

Contact: Shannon at [slahaie@ottawaunitedway.org](mailto:slahaie@ottawaunitedway.org)

### Christmas Parades

#### Ready for School

Events takes place in late November

Volunteers are needed to walk the Christmas Parades, handing out candy/materials, at least 10 people per parade for the Holland Parade of Lights and the Zeeland Magical Christmas Parade.

Contact: 616.834.0515

## DECEMBER

### Annual Breakfast

#### Ready for School

Event takes place in early December

3-5 volunteers are needed to set up at Haworth Center the night before the event.

Contact: 616.834.0515

## ONGOING

### Front Desk Coverage

#### Ready for School

Coverage needed from 8:30am-11:00am

Volunteers are needed to answer phones and welcome guests.

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