

# Allen County Nonprofit and Social Service Organization

## Volunteer and Donation Needs

For any donation needs, consider purchasing and sending items online to minimize contact. Please first check with the organization to see if that is an option.

For any additions or changes to this list, please email Kiersten Gamby at [volunteer@uwacin.org](mailto:volunteer@uwacin.org).

### LOCAL NEEDS

#### American Red Cross of Northeast Indiana (updated 4/16/2020)

- Donation needs:
  - Blood donations (<https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive>)
- Volunteer needs:
  - Blood Donor Ambassadors fill an important position by greeting, checking in, and taking temperatures of each of our donors at blood drives so staff can continue focusing on the live-saving mission of blood collection. All volunteers are provided necessary PPE (<https://www.redcross.org/volunteer/become-a-volunteer/urgent-need-for-volunteers.html>)

#### Associated Churches of Fort Wayne & Allen County (updated 4/3/2020)

- Volunteer needs: Volunteers to pray through specific needs via the prayer calendar (<https://www.associatedchurches.org/prayer-calendar>)

#### Bridge of Grace Compassionate Ministries Center (updated 4/15/2020)

- Volunteer needs: Help sort food and pack boxes for families or help distribute food in a drive-up no contact process with the Temporary Food Distribution Site. Call Cindy at 260.744.4446 ext. 104 or email [creid@bridgeofgracecmc.org](mailto:creid@bridgeofgracecmc.org) to sign up

#### Community Harvest Food Bank (updated 4/3/2020)

- Volunteer needs:
  - Need volunteers to help out in the warehouse (no more than 10 at a time) – interested people can go to [CHFB.com](https://communityharvest.volunteerhub.com/) and click on the volunteer hub to see what times help is needed (<https://communityharvest.volunteerhub.com/>)
  - 10am-12:30pm and 12:30pm-3pm
  - Contact Roy Nevil for more information at 260.447.3696
- Donation needs: (<https://www.communityharvest.org/covid-19-how-to-help/>)
  - Peanut Butter
  - Canned Protein
  - Canned fruits, vegetables, etc.
  - Empty cardboard boxes for grocery distribution
  - Plastic bags, take-home food containers, disposable silverware, other equipment to facilitate “no-touch” distributions to limit the risk of spread at food distributions, food pantries, and hot meal programs



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**Community Transportation Network (CTN)** (updated 4/3/2020)

- Donation needs: PPE (email [support@ridectn.org](mailto:support@ridectn.org) to donate items)

**Early Childhood Alliance** (updated 4/1/2020)

- Donation needs:

**Early Childhood Alliance**

**ECA Learning Centers need the following items:**

- **Digital Thermometers**
- **Disposable Gloves**
- **Boxes of Tissue**
- **Disinfecting Wipes**
- **Color-Safe Bleach**

*Donations can be left outside the main door at either Center between 7am and 5pm, Monday - Friday. Please call to let our staff know it's there.*

**Beacon Learning Center:**  
2125 Beacon St.  
399-2331

**Downtown Learning Center:**  
516 E. Wayne St.  
422-9990

**Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana-Michiana** (updated 4/3/2020)

- Donation needs: Purchase cookies or donate boxes of cookies to charitable organizations (<https://bit.ly/2wGHlnj>)

**Headwaters Counseling** (updated 4/2/2020)

- Donation needs: hand sanitizer and Lysol wipes are the greatest needs. Also helpful would be two pocket folders, paper towels, toilet paper and surface cleaners (to set up a donation drop-off, call 260.744.4326 and ask for Laura Reece)

**Lutheran Life Villages** (updated 4/3/2020)

- Volunteer needs: Supplies of disposable masks are short around the country, so we have formed a group called "Let's Make Masks" if you are interested in sewing handmade masks for our staff. Join the group on Facebook ([https://www.facebook.com/pg/lutheranlifelivillages/groups/?ref=page\\_internal](https://www.facebook.com/pg/lutheranlifelivillages/groups/?ref=page_internal))
- Donation needs: We are accepting donated iPads which will be used for communication with families by our residents. Or financial donations that will be used to purchase new iPads. If you can help, please contact Beth McCord at 260-402-4235. To donate money for new iPads you can use this link <https://lutheranlifelivillages.org/donate>

**NeighborLink** (updated 4/3/2020)

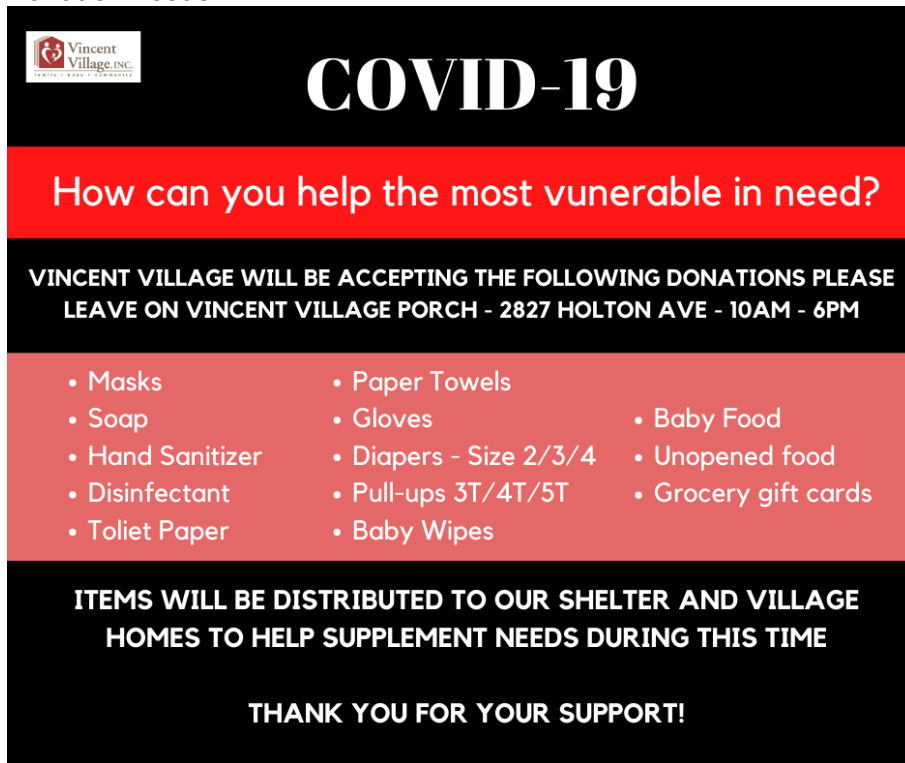
- Volunteer needs: Functioning as normal – visit [www.nlfw.org](http://www.nlfw.org) to get involved.

**SCAN** (updated 4/3/2020)

- Donation needs: If you are able, will you donate on our website? Funds received will underwrite gift cards for critical resources for families: food, gas, and toiletries. Proceeds will also assist us with underwriting services – family centered therapy, supervised visitation, coaching for parents of newborns and young children – provided by scan during this vulnerable time  
([https://give.scanfw.org/site/Donation2.jsessionid=00000000.app206b?1400.donation=form1&df\\_id=1400&mfc\\_pref=T&NONCE\\_TOKEN=09A4F179B5ED7F449DC7F0C609DA10C2](https://give.scanfw.org/site/Donation2.jsessionid=00000000.app206b?1400.donation=form1&df_id=1400&mfc_pref=T&NONCE_TOKEN=09A4F179B5ED7F449DC7F0C609DA10C2))

**Vincent Village** (updated 4/3/2020)

- Donation needs:



The poster features the Vincent Village logo in the top left corner. The main title "COVID-19" is centered in large white letters on a black background. Below this, a red banner contains the question "How can you help the most vulnerable in need?". A black section follows with the text "VINCENT VILLAGE WILL BE ACCEPTING THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS PLEASE LEAVE ON VINCENT VILLAGE PORCH - 2827 HOLTON AVE - 10AM - 6PM". A light red section lists donation items in three columns: Masks, Soap, Hand Sanitizer, Disinfectant, Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Gloves, Diapers - Size 2/3/4, Pull-ups 3T/4T/5T, Baby Wipes, Baby Food, Unopened food, and Grocery gift cards. A black section at the bottom states "ITEMS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO OUR SHELTER AND VILLAGE HOMES TO HELP SUPPLEMENT NEEDS DURING THIS TIME" and "THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!".

**Visiting Nurse** (updated 3/23/2020)

- Donation/Volunteer needs: Making and donating face masks – directions on March 23 Facebook post  
([https://www.facebook.com/VisitingNurseFortWayne/?ref=nf&\\_tn\\_=%3C-R&eid=ARD2jFTv9Cpkd7agLZIOKiToOzZsm8j77DEBAeLvTQKWVmDVkLbLAav5YNeghrhRIOhLqABkrrXkkrvk&hc\\_ref=ARRriAabapkJoetPxLi25ZPNQj9VLULPUofio7GJ1Wa7TIqZLnvHaFgEjeCgp8XPpLY](https://www.facebook.com/VisitingNurseFortWayne/?ref=nf&_tn_=%3C-R&eid=ARD2jFTv9Cpkd7agLZIOKiToOzZsm8j77DEBAeLvTQKWVmDVkLbLAav5YNeghrhRIOhLqABkrrXkkrvk&hc_ref=ARRriAabapkJoetPxLi25ZPNQj9VLULPUofio7GJ1Wa7TIqZLnvHaFgEjeCgp8XPpLY))

**Volunteer Center** (updated 4/3/2020)

- Volunteer needs: Sewing face masks  
(<https://www.volunteerfortwayne.org/content/covid-19-response>)



## YMCA of Greater Fort Wayne (updated 3/19/2020)

- Donation needs:

### WE NEED COMMUNITY HELP:

**WE ARE ACCEPTING DONATIONS OF:**

- Loaves of Bread
- Peanut Butter/Almond Butter, Jelly
- Pre-packaged Meat Slices
- Individual Servings of Snacks:  
Goldfish, Pretzels, Popcorn, Chips,  
Rice Krispie Treats, Fruit Cups,  
Pudding Cups, Animal Crackers,  
Graham Crackers
- Granola or Fruit Bars
- Plastic Spoons, Forks, Knives

The YMCA staff will manage meal packaging and distribution while following social distancing guidelines.

Donations can be dropped off or delivered between 9 am and 2 pm to the front door of the following YMCA locations:

**Central Branch YMCA** 1020 Barr Street  
**Parkview Family YMCA** 10001 Dawsons Creek Blvd.  
**Jorgensen Family YMCA** 10313 Aboite Center Rd.  
**Jackson R. Lehman YMCA** 5680 YMCA Park Drive W.  
**Renaissance Pointe YMCA** 2323 Bowser Avenue

If you have questions please contact  
**Amos\_Norman@fwymca.org**

## YWCA (updated 4/3/2020)

- Donation needs: multiple items needed, including (but not limited to) family board games, family-friendly movies, coloring books and crayons, hygiene care packages, cozy blankets (new), pajamas for adults and children (new), and robes for adults and children (new). To see a full list and to donate: <https://ywcanein.com/in-kind-needs-wish-list>.

## VIRTUAL NEEDS

### Be My Eyes (updated 4/8/2020)

- Help blind and vision-impaired people see through video chat:  
<https://www.bemyeyes.com/>

### Charity Miles (updated 4/8/2020)

- Pledge to run/walk/dance/bike/etc. a certain number of miles and donate proceeds to a charity of your choice: <https://charitymiles.org/how-it-works/>

### Idealist (updated 4/8/2020)

- Choose from the many different virtual volunteer projects available:  
<https://www.idealist.org/en/volunteer?actionType=VOLOP&isVirtual=YES&q=&searchMode=true>



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**RAINN** (updated 4/8/2020)

- Support those with Sexual Assault crises through an online hotline: <https://rainn.org/get-involved>

**Tarjimly** (updated 4/8/2020)

- Support refugees, asylum seekers, and immigrants in need through multilingual translation services: <https://www.tarjim.ly/en>

**The Trevor Project** (updated 4/8/2020)

- Support and mentor LGBTQ+ youth through an online platform: <https://www.thetrevorproject.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

**United Nations Volunteers** (updated 4/8/2020)

- Search through many different virtual opportunities that benefit the United Nations: <https://www.onlinevolunteering.org/en/opportunities>

**UPchieve** (updated 4/8/2020)

- Provide low-income students with homework help and college guidance: <https://upchieve.org/volunteer/>

**Zooniverse** (updated 4/8/2020)

- Contribute to research projects by studying objects and answering questions about them: <https://www.zooniverse.org/>

