

## Volunteer Opportunities

- **Feed my Starving Children:** <http://www.fmsc.org/> (847) 984-3846  
Feed my Starving Children is a non-profit organization committed to feeding the hungry.  
**Requirements: No age requirements on age. One adult for each five students is required. All reservations are made online through the above website.**
- **Northern Illinois Food Bank:** <http://solvehungertoday.org/>
- **Habitat for Humanity:** <http://www.habitatlc.org/index.php> (847) 623-1020—Ask for “Cassie”  
Habitat for Humanity Lake County is a Christian housing ministry which welcomes all people dedicated to building decent, affordable housing for families in need, while empowering families to help themselves.  
**Requirements: Have to be at least 16 years of age. Saturday is the only option- 4 hour minimum and hours begin at 8:30 a.m.** Construction work requires an 8 hour commitment and a parent must be present on the work site. Also open Tuesday’s through Friday’s 2pm to 6pm for 4 hours of service. You need to register ahead of time.
- **PADS Crisis Services, Inc:** [www.padslakecounty.org](http://www.padslakecounty.org) (847) 689-4357—Ask for “Stephen”  
The purpose of PADS is to provide emergency shelter, housing and supportive services to homeless men, women and children living in Lake County. PADS strives to create a stable and secure environment where we support our clients in achieving self-esteem, recovery, and the confidence to move toward independent living and self-determination. **No age requirement. Call or email first.**
- **A Safe Place / Lake County Crisis Center:** <http://www.asafeplaceforhelp.org/> (847) 249-5147 Wednesdays. A Safe Place provides shelter, court advocacy, referrals and comprehensive counseling programs for victims of domestic violence - women and children who have been physically, verbally, or emotionally abused. **Requirements: Must call and make a reservation. A Safe Place is not open on weekends.**
- **Catholic Charities Lake County:** 617 S. Lewis Ave, Waukegan, IL 60085  
<http://www.catholiccharities.net/GetHelp/OurRegions/LakeCounty.aspx> There are a wide variety of volunteer opportunities which are frequently changing. Check the webpage often for what is available.
- **Lake County Cares:** <http://www.lakecountycares.org> (847) 234- 8876  
Center of Lake Forest/Lake Bluff has been matching interested people with interesting volunteer opportunities for more than 40 years.
- **Students of Service:** \*Listen to the announcements for SOS meeting dates.  
Students of Service is a student-run organization at WTHS who focuses mainly on civic participation and giving back to the community. You need to attend the meeting in order to find out about their service opportunities.
- **MECS-Mother Earth’s Concerned Students:** \*Listen to the announcements for MECS meeting dates or contact Mr. Boncher at O’Plaine.
- **All for Good:** <http://www.allforgood.org/> Use this site to search for volunteer opportunities near you. Note-many opportunities are not available for high school students.
- **Sunrise Senior Living:** <http://www.sunriseseniorliving.com/communities/sunrise-of-gurnee/overview.aspx>
- **Heritage Woods:** <http://www.gardant.com/heritagewoodsgurnee/>
- **United We Serve:** [www.serve.gov](http://www.serve.gov) -use this site to search for volunteer opportunities near you. This is a corporation for community service.

- **Bernie's Book Bank:** [www.berniesbookbank.org/](http://www.berniesbookbank.org/) (847)-780-READ (7323): Bernie's Book Bank facilitates the collection, processing and redistribution of new and gently used children's books to significantly increase **BOOK OWNERSHIP** among at-risk infants, toddlers and school-age children throughout Chicagoland. The link to sign up for Bernie's Book Bank can be found on the website under the volunteer tab. The link is [attached](#). There must be one adult present for the entire session for every four children under the age of 16. Rules for volunteers age: 16-17-year old volunteers may volunteer without a parent / legal guardian present only if they have a signed copy of [Volunteer/Parental Consent Form](#) each time they volunteer.
- **United Way Lake County:** <https://www.liveunitedlakecounty.org/>
- **Warren Newport Library:** <http://www.wnpl.info/>
- [Misericordia](#)
- **Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW)** <http://www.vfw.org/>
- **American Legion** <http://www.legion.org/> ; <http://www.gurneeamericanlegion.org/>
- **Thanksgiving Dinner for Recruits (Annual event held on church grounds to provide for Sailor Recruits at Great Lakes Naval Base)** <http://www.gcchome.org/index.php>
- **Teen Court:** <http://nicasa.org/teen-court-juror-applications/>
- **Boys and Girls Club of Lake County:** <http://www.bgcl.com/>
- **Lake County Democrats:** <http://www.lakedems.org/>
- **Lake County Republicans:** <http://www.lcgop.org/Home.aspx>
- **Illinois Libertarian Party:** <http://www.ipillinois.org/>
- **Green Party:** <http://www.gp.org/>
- **Warren Township Center:** <https://www.warrentownship.net/>
- **Gurnee Park District:** <http://www.gurneeparkdistrict.com/programs/parks-column-2/volunteers>