A neighbor in your community needs a volunteer this summer to help with lawn mowing!

As summer comes into full swing and the grass keeps growing, the demand for lawn mowing volunteers grows as well. Many seniors are not able to safely mow their lawns due to age-related disabilities or chronic illnesses.

You can adopt a home nearby where you would regularly mow the lawn throughout the summer. You could also sign up as a “sub” to fill in for another volunteer while they’re away. Volunteer as a family, school group, congregation, business, or community group.

Interfaith Senior Programs will match you with a senior or adult with a disability in your neighborhood and coordinate the time and date around your schedule.

We still need 40 or more volunteers to mow lawns this summer!

This is a great opportunity for teenagers to keep busy this summer and enjoy the sunshine!

For more information or to volunteer, visit www.interfaithwaukesha.org
Or contact Hannah Loppnow at (262) 522-2405 or HannahL@interfaithwaukesha.org
Holiday Giving 2014

Celebrate the season of joy.

We’re already preparing for our annual Holiday Giving Project! It is a very special part of the Faith in Action Program, providing help up to 500 low-income seniors and adults with disabilities each December. The contents of the gifts help each client maintain a proper level of nutrition, safety, and healthcare access. Interfaith aims to provide at least $50 in gift cards to each recipient.

The Need

15% of seniors in Waukesha County qualify for government-funded Family Care Services, which provide adequate nutrition and access to healthcare.

Many of the remaining 85% are at risk of malnutrition, homelessness, premature institutionalization, and inadequate healthcare. This is due to increasing fees and premiums, taxes, a lack of personal or family resources, and needed transportation options. This is where Holiday Giving comes in.

The Holiday Gift is provided to clients who are referred by Waukesha County social workers, subsidized housing managers, congregational outreach nurses and clergy, and other partners who can vouch for the individual’s financial need.

Each gift includes:

- Gift cards for Walgreens, Pick ‘n Save, McDonald’s, Walmart
- Personal Care Kits
- Handmade holiday ornaments (from partner congregation’s youth and children’s groups)
- Large-print puzzle books
- Deck of playing cards
- Pens and pencils
- Postage stamps
- Various other items

Like to Read?

You can help with Home Delivery of Library Materials.

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For information or to get involved, call your public library or the Waukesha County Federated Library System at (262) 896-8245.

Visit www.wcfls.org for a list of library locations.

Save the Date!

Fabulous Fish Fry

Friday, November 14th
4:00-8:00 pm
Country Springs Hotel

Featuring all-you-can-eat baked and fried fish, potatoes, coleslaw, rolls, coffee, tea, milk...and don’t forget about the fantastic desserts available for purchase!

Proceeds of this event benefit nonprofit services for children, seniors, and adults with disabilities.

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Community and Congregation Connection

Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities

- Our School Programs need volunteers for the upcoming school year. We are looking for friendly and helpful volunteers to help students from all grade levels—expert listeners, basic math helpers, classroom assistance, readers café, history volunteers.
- We also need 112 new pen pal volunteers for the new school year, and you could be one of them!

Jo Jones
Volunteer Manager
(262) 522-2415
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New Volunteer Opportunities

Contact our Volunteer Manager, Jo Jones to find out more and to apply.

We are always looking for more volunteers to help with yard work and friendly visiting.

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Holiday Giving Sponsorship Opportunities

Each gift we give is valued at approximately $100.

In order to donate, organizations can choose to coordinate a donation drive to collect various items, or simply provide financial support. For example, an organization could provide $1,000 to sponsor 10 gifts.

Using funds donated, Interfaith staff and volunteers purchase items that have not already been donated. Each year we raise a total of $50,000 in financial and in-kind donations for the project, with at least 50%, or $25,000, coming through financial donations.

All donors are included in a listing on holiday cards that are a part of the gifts we give. It is important that our recipients know that many, many people and groups in the community care and come together in order to provide the assistance they need.

To donate or sponsor the purchase of items please contact our Community Outreach Manager, Kris Lombardi at (262) 522-2402 or KrisL@InterfaithWaukesha.org

We thank you for all you do!

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