

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES*

Volunteering opportunities need to be sought in human services agencies that focus on addressing the needs and empowerment of people who are vulnerable, oppressed, and living in poverty.

OVERVIEW OF SELECTION PROCESS

- (1) Contact agency and ask for volunteer coordinator.
- (2) Identify that you are a student KU and that this is a requirement for class.
- (3) Determine if agency timeline and needs are realistic for you to obtain 20 hours by end of November.

AGENCY LISTING BY TYPE OF PROGRAM

Linkages to Volunteer Opportunities

KU Center for Community Outreach: KU Center focused on helping KU students engage into service opportunities within the Lawrence Community.

Website: <http://volunteer.ku.edu>

E-mail: cco@ku.edu

Telephone: (785) 864-4073

Roger Hill Volunteer Center: Social services organization in Lawrence, Kansas that can help students connect to a variety of organizations funded by United Way.

Address: 2518 Ridge Ct, Rm 104, Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <http://rhvc.galaxydigital.com/>

Telephone: (785) 865-5030

Homeless Services

Family Promise: Provides services to families who are experiencing homelessness.

Address: 905 Tennessee St, Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <http://lawrencefamilypromise.org/volunteer/>

Telephone: (785) 764-9506

Jubilee Cafe: Provides breakfast for in-need community members in a restaurant-style environment. The program runs from 5:30AM to approximately 8:15AM Tuesday and Friday mornings at the First United Methodist Church, 946 Vermont Street.

Address: 946 Vermont Street, Lawrence, KS

Website: <http://www.cco.ku.edu/team/jubilee-cafe/>

E-mail: jubilee@ku.edu

Lawrence Community Shelter Lawrence Community Shelter: Homeless Shelter

Address: 3655 E 25th St., Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <https://www.lawrenceshelter.org/>

Telephone: (785) 832-8864

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(Tip: Stopping by in-person has led to the quickest response in the past.)

In-Kind Economic Assistance: Food Pantry, Home Goods, Child Care, etc.

Penn House: Day Care Center in Lawrence, Kansas

Address: 708 Elm St, Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <https://www.ballardservices.org>

Telephone: (785) 842-0729

Campus Cupboard: Partners with Just Food and the Lutheran Campus Ministries (LCM) to operate the Campus Cupboard, a food pantry open to all KU students and the Lawrence community members.

Address: 1421 W 19th St, Lawrence, KS

Website: <http://www.cco.ku.edu/food/>

E-mail: cupboard@ku.edu

Eckan Inc.: Social services organization in Lawrence, Kansas

Address: 2518 Ridge Ct #103, Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <http://www.eckan.org/>

Telephone: (785) 841-3357

Just Food: Food pantry services.

Address: 1000 E. 11th St., Lawrence, KS

Website: <http://justfoodks.org/>

Contact: 785-856-7030

Lawrence Diploma Completion Program: Adult learning center run by Lawrence Public Schools

Address: 2145 Louisiana St, Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <https://www.usd497.org/Page/4272>

Telephone: (785) 832-59

L.I.N.K.: Provide hot meals to those in need.

Address: 1000 Kentucky, Lawrence, KS

Website: <http://www.linklawrence.org/>

Meals on Wheels: Social Services Organization providing meals to individuals who are homebound.

Address: 2121 Kasold Dr. # B, Lawrence, KS 66047

Website: <http://www.lawrencemow.org/>

Telephone: (785) 830-8844

Penn House: Emergency Economic Resource Center in Lawrence, Kansas

Address: 1035 Pennsylvania St., Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <https://www.ballardservices.org>

Telephone: (785) 842-0440

Uplift: Social services organization in Kansas City, Missouri serving the homeless population.

Address: 1516 Prospect Ave, Kansas City, MO 64127

Website: <http://www.uplift.org/volunteer/>

Telephone: (816) 241-0060

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Community Organization/Activism

Kansas Appleseed: Non-profit organization in Lawrence, Kansas

Address: 211 E 8th St Suite D, Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <http://www.kansasappleseed.org/>

Telephone: (785) 864-9294

Success By 6: As a United Way effort, Success by 6 of Douglas County is leading a local collaboration named the Strengthening Families Network to provide community-wide services for early childhood parenting assistance and training to improve school readiness and parent-child relationships.

Address: 2518 Ridge Ct #240, Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <https://dcsb6.org/>

Telephone: (785) 842-8719

Concerned Active & Aware Students (CAAS): Develops advocacy programs, events, and activities to raise awareness of issues facing KU, Lawrence, and global communities.

Website: <http://www.cco.ku.edu/team/caas/>

Email: caas@ku.edu

Children & Youth

Boys and Girls Club of Lawrence: After-school programming for elementary age children. The Boys & Girls Club of Lawrence's aim is to inspire and enable young people to realize their full potential as productive, responsible and caring citizens. Each volunteer provides group support, guidance and friendship to our young members in a group setting at our Club sites or at a special event.

Address: Locations vary across Lawrence, KS

Website: <https://bgclk.org/careers>

Telephone: (785) 841-5672

KVC: Child Welfare Agency

Address: 1202 E 23rd St # C

Website: <https://kansas.kvc.org/get-involved/volunteer/>

Telephone: (785) 331-4200

Tiny-K Early Intervention Inc.: Early Intervention Services in Lawrence, Kansas

Address: 2619 W 6th St # B, Lawrence, KS 66049

Website: <https://www.tiny-k.org/about.html>

Telephone: (785) 843-3059

Operation Breakthrough: Peer Tutoring Opportunities

Address: 3039 Troost, Kansas City, MO

Website: <https://operationbreakthrough.org/>

Telephone: (816) 756-3511

E-mail: Tasha <tasham@operationbreakthrough.org>

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Older Adults

Helping Unite Generations (HUG): Establishes relationships with older members of the community. HUG visits local retirement homes weekly with volunteers to build inter-generational relationships through activities with residents such as crafts, community dances and playing games. HUG coordinates several special programs throughout the semester to pair service groups and classes at KU to connect with older members of the community. Current opportunities include volunteering with Senior Wheels, Meadowlark Estates, Neuvant House, Pioneer Ridge, and a Friendly Visitors Program through Catholic Charities.

Website: <http://www.cco.ku.edu/team/hug/>

Email: hug@ku.edu

Interim Hospice: Volunteers provide companionship to a person in the final months or weeks of life, supporting family members, providing assistance in the office or helping with community outreach. Serving people at the end of life's journey allows hospice volunteers to make a difference every day.

Location: 4106 West 6th St, Ste B, Lawrence, KS 66049

Website: <https://www.interimhealthcare.com/lawrenceks/home/>

Telephone: (785) 272-1616

Email: Annie Spinelli, Volunteer Coordinator, <aspinelli@interimhealthcare.com>

Meals on Wheels: Social Services Organization providing meals to individuals who are homebound.

Address: 2121 Kasold Dr. # B, Lawrence, KS 66047

Website: <http://www.lawrencemow.org/>

Telephone: (785) 830-8844

Disabilities

Ability Advocates: Works with and strives to empower people with disabilities. This program volunteers as Peer Mentors with KU Transition to Postsecondary Education & Independence Inc., a resource in Lawrence that works to maximize the independence of people with disabilities. Email aadvocates@ku.edu with any questions or concerns.

Best Buddies: The mission of Best Buddies is dedicated to establishing a global volunteer movement that creates opportunities for one-to-one friendships, integrated employment and leadership development for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD).

Address: 1301 Jayhawk Blvd, Rm 400, Lawrence, KS 66045

Website: <https://rockchalkcentral.ku.edu/organization/bestbuddies>

Email: kubestbuddies@gmail.com

Midnight Farm: Offers opportunities for country living, work, and recreation for kids and adults with special needs.

Address: 2084-B N. 600 Road, Baldwin City, KS 66006

Website: <http://www.midnight-farm.org>

Telephone: (785) 979-1889

Email: CLOMidnightFarm@clokan.org

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Social Service/Health Organizations (May Require Commitment > 20 Hrs)

Centro Hispano: Social services organization in Lawrence, Kansas serving the Spanish-speaking community.

Address: 204 W 13th St, Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <http://centrohispano.twofinches.com/>

Telephone: (785) 843-2039

Children's Mercy: Children's hospital with multiple opportunities in different locations, both inpatient and outpatient.

Website: <https://www.childrensmercy.org/help-our-kids/adult-volunteer/>

DCCA Lawrence Outpatient Services: Addiction Treatment Center with internships & some volunteer opportunities.

Address: 1739 East 23rd Street Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <https://www.dcca.org/>

Telephone: (785) 830-8238

Heartland: Local hospital with health care volunteer opportunities.

Address: 346 Maine St, Lawrence, KS

Website: <http://heartlandhealth.org/volunteerapplication/>

Telephone: (785) 841-729

KC CARE Clinic: Mental Health, HIV patients, pediatrics, and many other health care opportunities

Address: 3515 Broadway, Kansas City, MO

Website: <http://www.kccareclinic.org/volunteer>

Telephone: (816) 753-5144

Jewish Vocational Service: Services in Overland Park, Kansas providing resources & support for refugees.

Address: 5801 W 115th St, Shawnee Mission, KS 66211

Website: <https://www.jfskc.org/>

Telephone: (913) 327-8130

Commitments Requiring Intensive Training & > 20 Hr Volunteer Commitment

Big Brothers Big Sisters: Youth organization in Lawrence, Kansas providing long-term youth mentoring commitments.

Address: 2518 Ridge Ct, Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <http://www.kansasbigs.org>

Telephone: (785) 843-7359

Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA): Volunteers trained to advocate for children who have been abused and neglected and are under the protection of the court.

Address: 1009 New Hampshire St # B, Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <https://www.dccasa.org/>

Telephone: (785) 832-5172

Headquarters: Counselor in Lawrence, Kansas

Address: 211 E 8th St # C, Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <http://www.headquarterscounselingcenter.org/>

Telephone: (785) 841-9900

SAFEHOME: Agency serving survivors of domestic violence.

Address: Overland Park, KS

Website: <http://www.safehome-ks.org/give-help/volunteer/>

Telephone: (913) 378-1518

Sexual Assault Prevention and Education Center: KU center focused on educating the campus community on the issue of sexual violence.

Website: <http://sapec.ku.edu/get-involved>

Sexual Trauma and Abuse Care Center: Non-Profit Organization serving survivors of sexual violence.

Address: 708 West 9th Street, Suite 105, Lawrence, KS 66044

Website: <http://stacarecenter.org/>

Telephone: (785) 843-8985

Willow Domestic Violence Center: Agency serving survivors of domestic violence in Lawrence, Kansas

Address: 1920 Moodie Rd, Lawrence, KS 66046

Website: <http://www.willowdvcenter.org/>

Telephone: (785) 843-3333

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