

United Way of Southwest Colorado

Volunteer Opportunities for September, October and November 2011

Thank you for signing up to receive volunteer opportunities from your United Way. Below is a list of these for your review. If you are interested in learning more about any of these, call the number or email the contact next to the listing. Thank you for LIVING UNITED!

Agency	Volunteer Need	Location	Contact
United Way	HR professionals needed for Personnel Committee. The Personnel Committee will meet just three or four times annually and will help United Way review its personnel policies and staff evaluation process.	Durango	Tim, 970-247-9444 x1 or timw@unitedway-swco.org
United Way	Finance professionals to join our Finance Committee. This committee meets six times a year to help United Way with our financial statements, our annual audit and IRS form 990, and with our financial policy and procedures.	Durango	Tim, 970-247-9444 x1 or timw@unitedway-swco.org
United Way	Loaned Executives needed to help reach out to employees of local businesses to ask them to contribute to United Way. This work involves planning the annual United Way drive with decision makers at local businesses, attending a meeting with employees and asking them to give, and following up to collect any donations. GREAT networking opportunity! This volunteer opportunity will start NEXT summer and a full training will be provided	La Plata County, primarily in Durango	Tim, 970-247-9444 x1 or timw@unitedway-swco.org
United Way	Special Event Intern needed to assist United Way with planning, implementing and evaluating our special events. This internship will start NEXT summer. The selected intern will receive great experience in special event work and is a great local networking opportunity.	La Plata County, primarily in Durango	Tim, 970-247-9444 x1 or timw@unitedway-swco.org
2-1-1 and SWConnect.org	Data collector – 2-1-1 and SWConnect.org seek volunteers to help collect data on local programs and services for inclusion in two databases that will help people in need find help to overcome their problems.	SW Colorado	Tim Walsworth, 970-247-9444 x1 or timw@unitedway-swco.org or Jenny Bruell, JBruell@DurangoAEC.org

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United Way	Volunteers needed to help sell Party 'Round Pagosa certificates. These cost \$20 and spend like cash at about 40 restaurants in Pagosa Springs. 20% of all sales benefit United Way. Certificate sellers needed through March 2012. This is a GREAT Christmas gift!	Pagosa Springs	Lisa Jensen, 970-731-0484 or lisaj@unitedway-swco.org
Alternative Horizons	Volunteers needed to answer calls to crisis hotline and education/outreach team. FULL training provided. Next training is in March 2012	Durango	Loida Maez, 970-403-1577 or advocacy-services@alternativehorizons.org
Community Connections Inc.	Have a fun time hanging out with children with special needs and their siblings while their parents get a few hours of respite.	The Mason Center, 301 E. 12 th Street, Durango	Angie Dinger or Tara Kiene, tamboprogram@hotmail.com or 970-385-3458
Big Brothers Big Sisters of Southwest Colorado	<p>Mentors needed. Being a Big Brother or Big Sister is one of the most enjoyable things you'll ever do. Not to mention, one of the most fulfilling. You have the opportunity to help shape a child's future for the better by empowering them to achieve. And the best part is it's actually a lot of fun. You and your Little can share the kinds of activities you already like to do. Volunteering just a few hours per month can Start Something big!</p> <p>Bowl for Kids' Sake – Big Brothers Big Sisters signature fundraising event will take place March 24, 2012. Volunteers needed to help on planning committee.</p> <p>Office help & graphic design: volunteers needed for a few hours a week to assist with filing, phones and copying. Someone who has and knows how to use In-Design to help update marketing materials.</p>	<p>Archuleta and La Plata Counties</p> <p>La Plata County</p> <p>La Plata County</p>	<p>Megan, 970-247-9720</p> <p>Diana, 970-247-3720</p> <p>Tracy, 970-247-3720</p>

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Pagosa Springs Youth Center	<p>3rd Annual Skate Day for United Way on MLK Day Monday January 16th 9-5.</p> <p>Pagosa Springs Youth Center is sponsoring an all day skate with a Pancake Breakfast and a hot lunch served at the Pagosa Springs Youth Center. Skates are available. \$10 donation goes to support our local United Way Campaign. Learn about Martin Luther King Jr. and his dreams. Write your dream for the future and spend the day with activities with the AmeriCorps staff and other volunteers. Volunteers are needed to help with food service, skate selection and traffic control on and off the skate floor. You don't need to skate to be a volunteer!</p>	Pagosa Springs Youth Center, next to Town Park on Hot Springs Blvd	Joanne Irons, 970-946-7545
Trails 2000	Volunteers needed to help secure donations to annual auction. Donations must be in by December 26, so help needed right away!	La Plata County	info@trails2000.org
Liberty School	<p>Fluency volunteers needed. This involves listening to our students read out loud and a ten minute introduction is all that a volunteer needs to help our student's progress in their reading skills</p> <p>We also need a community affairs volunteer to make sure all our events are covered in the Herald and that our volunteers are coordinated and thanked.</p>	<p>Liberty School, Monday through Thursday, 3 to 3:25 pm</p> <p>Liberty School</p>	<p>Bill O'Flanagan, 970-385-4834</p> <p>Bill O'Flanagan, 970-385-4834</p>
Coalition of Caring Communities	<p>Teen Wish Tree - To help make a teen's Christmas brighter, pick an ornament off the Teen Wish Tree at Bealls in the Durango Mall, and return the unwrapped gift with the ornament to Bealls by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Dec. 14. Cash donations also will be accepted, and the coalition will do your shopping for you. You may drop off your cash donations at the Women's Resource Center, 679 E. Second Ave., Suite 6, Durango, or make a donation online at www.wrcdurango.org.</p>	Durango	Eve Presler , 970-375-1433

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Volunteers of America Durango Community Shelter	Cooks needed – cook dinner at the homeless shelter for 15 to 35 people per night. Food and menu provided or create your own! Cooking time is from 4 to 6 pm, 7 days a week. Call to schedule a time that works for you.	Durango	970-259-1255 – anyone who answers can help!
KDUR	Snowmobiler needed! 93.9 signal is down and the problem lies in our transmitter on Missionary Ridge, accessible via Durango hills, up the forest road. Need a snowmobile to get up and down. Can you provide a ride?	Durango	Bryant Liggett, Liggett_b@fortlewis.edu
Habitat for Humanity of La Plata County	<p>ReStore volunteers needed. Volunteers needed who can work a consistent schedule for three to six months. Regular store hours are M to F, 10 am to 5 pm and Saturday 10 am to 3 pm</p> <p>Rehab projects – skilled and unskilled volunteers needed for small rehab projects in local homes. Schedule TBA but sign up now!</p>	<p>Durango, Bodo Park</p> <p>La Plata County</p>	<p>Barbara Blundell, director@habitatlaplata.org</p> <p>Barbara Blundell, director@habitatlaplata.org</p>
Tri County Head Start	Early Childhood Center Assistant - The volunteer will help the early childhood center by playing with young children, rocking babies, assisting children & teachers at meal times, reading to one or more children, doing laundry on site, helping children brush teeth & wash hands, hugging and nurturing children, etc. Volunteers needed Monday to Friday, 8 to 5	Pagosa Springs, Mancos, Cortez and Durango	Erika Grant, 970-247-5960 ext. 13 or erikag@tchs4c.org
Skills for Living and Learning	Volunteers needed for the following: listening to kids read sprucing up our playground running a weed eater helping decorate for our Halloween costume contest/dinner and a movie painting our rain stained ceiling tiles helping set up for our craft fair (tables, chairs, signs, etc)	Bayfield	Susan Livingston, skills4landl@gmail.com

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<p>La Plata County Senior Center</p>	<p>Front Desk Volunteer. Answer phones, take messages, greet guests. Any day Monday to Friday 8 am to noon or noon to 4 pm</p> <p>Job Bulletin Board Decorator. Decorate monthly bulletin board on the first day of each month.</p> <p>Snow shoveling or snow plowing - Remove snow from the front walk of local senior's homes. Snow removal is just to the driveway or the street, so the senior is able to get in and out for appointments. We do not shovel the entire driveway. If you have a snow blower or plow, plow a path so the senior can get in and out. This work obviously varies in timing and occurs when the snow flies. You can chose a home that is close to where you live.</p> <p>Meals on Wheels Driver – need substitute drivers to fill in when regular drive cannot deliver. Deliver Meals on Wheels to seven to 10 homebound seniors. Route takes just over one hour and is from 11:45 am to 1 pm</p>	<p>Durango, Senior Center at 2424 Main Ave.</p> <p>Durango, Senior Center at 2424 Main Ave.</p>	<p>Mandi Dicamillo, 970-382-6428 or dicamillomd@co.laplata.co.us</p> <p>Mandi Dicamillo, 970-382-6428 or dicamillomd@co.laplata.co.us</p> <p>Lauren Rardin, Home Chore Coordinator. 970-382-6429 rardinlm@co.laplata.co.us</p> <p>Sheila Casey, 970-382-6442 or caseysj@co.laplata.co.us</p>
<p>Southern Ute Community Action Programs (SUCAP)</p>	<p>Reading to children. Read out loud for 20 to 30 minutes to groups of 10 to 15 preschool children. MUST pass background check. Hours are flexible.</p> <p>Teen Center. Volunteers needed to work on remodel, including painting, install shelving, etc. Also need volunteers for the Teen Center to help with activities. MUST pass background check.</p> <p>Ignacio Senior Center. In home meal delivery to homebound seniors in and around Ignacio. Must have own transportation and have valid driver's license. MUST pass background check. Routes are from 10:30 am to noon, days flexible</p>	<p>Southern Ute Head Start, Ignacio</p> <p>Ignacio Teen Center, 515 Goddard Ave.</p> <p>In and around Ignacio</p>	<p>Melanie Brunson, 970-563-4566</p> <p>Zach Bertrand, 970-563-4127</p> <p>Debra Herrera, 970-563-4561</p>

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Durango Adult Education Center	Help with Snowdown event, Spellabration – Volunteers needed Wednesday the week of Snowdwon to help with this fun Snowdown event.	Durango	Paulette, paulette@durangoaec.org
	Volunteers needed to work with day and evening GED and ESL students. Change the life of a local individual or family with just a few hours of your time!	Durango	Paulette, paulette@durangoaec.org
	Volunteers needed to help with Around the World Children’s Fair, March 31, 2012	Durango	Paulette, paulette@durangoaec.org

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