

2018 Holiday



Get Help Guide

Many agencies, businesses, churches, nursing homes, schools and neighbors provide a little extra help over the holidays, but people who are in need sometimes wonder who can help them. Here are some ideas for getting holiday help in Marathon County as of 11/16/18. For more information contact United Way's 2-1-1 using contacts at the bottom of this page.

Holiday Gifts

NOTE: The Salvation Army and The Neighbors' Place collaborate to help people in need. Their programs are listed below. Please note that individuals may only be served by one of those two agencies.

The Salvation Army in Wausau distributes donated food, gifts, toys and clothing to senior citizens, single adults and families with children. Christmas presents are available for eligible children age 17 and under. Applicants are encouraged to register in person Oct. 11, 23 and 29, 3-8pm; Oct. 16 and 18, 10am-3pm; and Oct. 25, 10am-2pm at 103 S 2nd Ave, Wausau. Applications will be accepted after these dates by on a walk in basis, based on availability, at 202 Callon Street, Wausau. Residents who live more than 25 miles away may call to have an application form sent to them. Distributions take place Dec. 18-20, by appointment. No children at distribution, please. Call 715-845-4272 for more information.

The Neighbors' Place serves primarily its own clients, but is open to anyone in need throughout the community. It provides donated gifts for eligible children age 18 and under. In-person registration will be held Oct. 12, 3-5pm, Oct. 13, 10am-Noon, Oct. 19, 3-5pm & Oct. 20, 10am-Noon. Distribution dates will be shared at time of registration. Please call 715-845-1966 for more information.



St. Mark's Lutheran Church coordinates a Toy Giveaway for children under age 18. Distribution takes place at 600 Stevens Dr, Wausau, Dec. 7, 5-7pm on a walk-in basis.

Food Pantries

See other side for pantries that help.

Holiday Meals

Thanksgiving:

St. John Lutheran Church: 901 11th St, Mosinee
Saturday, Nov. 17, 5-7pm. Delivery to Mosinee homebound: call Nov. 12-15, 8am-3pm: 715-693-3420.

The Salvation Army: 202 Callon St, Wausau
Wednesday, Nov. 21, 11:30am-12:15 pm.

First Presbyterian Church: 406 Grant St, Wausau
Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22, 1pm. Delivery available to Wausau metro area only: call Nov. 5-20, 3-6pm: 715-302-2832.

St. Mary's School: 716 Market St, Marathon
Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 22, 11am-1pm. Delivery to Marathon homebound. Reservations and delivery: call 715-443-3124.

Christmas:

The Salvation Army Winter Meal: 202 Callon St, Wausau
Friday, Dec. 21, 11:30am-12:15pm.

Christmas Dinner at the Eagles Club: 1703 S 3rd Ave, Wausau; meal provided by Bob's Catering, Phil & Helen Bickley, and Tim & Lois Murphy

Saturday, Dec. 22, 11am-1pm. Delivery available to Wausau & Schofield only: call Dec. 20-21, 8am-5pm: 715-551-9215.

Covenant Community Presbyterian Church:

1806 Weston Ave, Schofield

Christmas Day, Dec. 25, 11am-1pm.

Delivery to Wausau and the DC Everest area (Schofield, Rothschild, Weston, Hatley, Kronenwetter) only: call Dec. 1-19: 715-359-6467.

St. Paul's United Church of Christ:

426 Washington St, Wausau,

Christmas Day, Dec. 25, at Noon. Carry-outs available. Call Dec. 14-23, 9am-6pm: 715-845-2200

For more information about helping programs and volunteer opportunities contact United Way's 2-1-1.

Dial 2-1-1 or
715-848-2255.
Phones are
answered 24/7.

Text your zip code to
898211 M-F 8am-4pm.
Standard message
and data rates may
apply. Text STOP to
opt out.

Chat with an information
specialist M-F 8am-12pm. Visit
www.unitedwaymc.org/get-help.

Email your question to
askus@unitedwaymc.org.
Emails are answered M-F
8am-5pm.

Search the database online 24/7
by visiting
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United Way
Volunteer Connection
Helping You Help Others



2018 Holiday Give Help Guide



❄️ Give Time ~ Volunteer

Angels Among Us Community Event—The Foundation of St. Clare's Hospital provides a celebration for families in preparation of the holidays Dec. 15 at the Rothschild Pavilion. Volunteers are needed 2:30-6pm for games, craft tables, photos with Santa and more. Sign up to help prior to Dec. 7 by calling 715-393-2514.

Christmas Festival (Mosinee)—Volunteers are needed Friday, Nov. 30 from 6-9pm (set up) and Saturday, Dec. 1 with shifts beginning at 7:30am, at the Mosinee High School cafeteria for the Saturday Craft sale/Breakfast with Santa event. Call 715-693-4330.

Christmas Shopping—Assist residents of Mount View Care Center with Christmas shopping at Walmart during the day in early December. Contact the North Central Health Care Volunteer Office at 715-848-4450.

Eastbay Turkey Trot—5K Run/Walk to benefit the Marathon County Hunger Coalition. Help with registration, set-up, timing, refreshments, or serve as course marshal. Volunteers needed on Nov. 21 or Nov. 22. Online sign-up; visit www.UnitedWayMC.org or call 715-848-2927.

Empty Bowls—The Neighbors' Place needs help transporting donated soups, setting up, working in the kitchen, and tearing down at Wausau West High School Nov. 16 and Nov. 17. Call 715-845-1966 for more information.

Gift Preparation—Help sort, package, and deliver gifts for elderly clients of Faith in Action. Volunteers needed Nov. 29-30 and Dec. 1. Call 715-848-8783 to sign up.

Gift Wrap for Bundles of Joy—Volunteers will wrap gifts for shoppers at the Wausau Center Mall during the holiday season. Sign-up is online; visit www.UnitedWayMC.org or call 715-848-2927.

Salvation Army Bell Ringing—Give 2 hours to ring bells throughout the greater Wausau area, Nov. 9-Dec. 24. Kettle drivers also needed. Contact Colleen at ext. 106 or online at sawausau.org.

Salvation Army Angel Tree—Accept gifts from a wish list at the Angel Tree in the Wausau Center Mall, Nov. 17-Dec. 14. Contact Colleen at The Salvation Army at 715-845-4272, ext. 106 or at sawausau.org.

Salvation Army Gift Registration—Use the computer to help register families for gift needs Oct. 11, 16, 18, 23, 25, and 29. Contact Colleen at The Salvation Army at 715-845-4272, ext. 106 or at sawausau.org.

Spread Holiday Cheer—Help individuals experiencing homelessness celebrate the holidays by becoming a volunteer or providing special food or simple gifts over the holiday season. This opportunity could be for individuals or groups. Contact Tracy Rieger at the Wausau Community Warming Center at (608) 519-8069.

❄️ Give Gifts to Children, Families, Elderly, and People with Disabilities

Catholic Charities
Morgan, 715-849-3311

Faith in Action
Volunteer Coordinator,
715-848-8783

Family Resource Center
Nicole, 715-848-1457

Greater Wausau Christian Services
Marlene, 715-842-5635

Opportunity, Inc
Heidi, 715-847-1175

The Salvation Army
Colleen, 715-845-4272

The Women's Community
Samantha, 715-842-5663

Toys for Tots
Don, 715-305-3363

❄️ Give Strength ~ Donate to Food Pantries

For a complete list of food pantries, call United Way's 2-1-1

First Presbyterian Church Food Pantry
406 Grant St, Wausau
715-842-2116

The Neighbors' Place Food Pantry
745 Scott St, Wausau
715-845-1966

The Salvation Army Food Pantry
202 Callon St, Wausau
715-845-4272

Wesley Church Food Pantry
1101 Elm St, Wausau
715-842-3768

Saint Paul's Food Distribution
426 Washington St, Wausau
715-842-3733

Covenant Community Presbyterian Church Food Pantry
1806 Weston Ave, Schofield
715-359-6467

Saint Agnes Food Pantry
6101 Zinser St, Weston
715-359-5675

Christ Community Church Food Assistance Program
8100 Alderson St, Schofield
715-241-7335 Ext 3

Community Center of Hope Food Pantry
607 13th St, Mosinee
715-693-7145

Saint Florian Food Pantry
500 Church Ln, Hatley
715-446-3085

Edgar Circle of Joy Food Pantry
Edgar Village Hall
224 S 3rd Ave, Edgar
715-352-2532

Community United Pantry (CUP)
Zion Lutheran Church
301 N 2nd St, Colby
715-223-2166

Spencer King's Pantry
Christ the King Catholic Church
107 E Wendell St, Spencer
715-659-5181

Stratford Area Pantry
Donations accepted at the Stratford State Bank and area churches.
715-687-3126

❄️ Suggested Food Pantry Donations

Canned Goods: canned tuna or other meats, hearty soups, beans, fruit, vegetables, fruit juices (100% juice), potatoes, baby food, formula

Dry Goods: healthy cereals, oatmeal, peanut butter, jelly/jam, rice, noodles, spaghetti sauces, crackers, coffee, tea

Personal Care Items: diapers, toilet paper, tampons/sanitary pads, shampoo, soap, deodorant

Household Supplies: laundry detergent, bleach, dishwashing soap, cleaning supplies, garbage bags, paper towels