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Monthly Update February 2021



United Way RSVP of Marathon County

Connecting Volunteers 55+ to Community Needs

Greetings RSVP Volunteers!

Welcome to February! This update offers a few ways you can participate in educational events virtually as well as two important ways you can serve our community.

As a reminder, you can submit your volunteer hours via email to skrolow@unitedwaymc.org, by phone 715-298-5721, by mail to United Way at 705 S 24th Ave., Suite 400B or electronically, right from the United Way website. Feel free to call me with any questions.

I close this message with a very appropriate quote from one of the RSVP Volunteers:

Be Positive and Test Negative! ~Susan

MLK Day of Service

January 18, 2021

The MLK Day of Service event looked very different this year. Due to the pandemic, we could not gather in a large group as we have done in past years. We still served our community, in a smaller, safer group project at Blessings in a Backpack. Thank you to those volunteers who participated. We also had several volunteers assembling Kindness Kits for the Point in Time Homeless Count held on January 27. Lastly, we had several volunteers write Kindness Cards to residents at North Central HealthCare Center.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS!

Are you prepared for an
EMERGENCY?



EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS TIPS & TOOLS

Thursday, February 4, 2021
1:00 PM – 2:00 PM

Hosted by Retire United and United Way RSVP of Marathon County, and presented by American Red Cross.

This event is free but registration is required to receive the virtual Microsoft Teams link.

[CLICK HERE](#) to Register

A disaster or emergency that can directly affect your daily life can happen at any time, sometimes without warning. Thankfully, there are things you can do to be prepared, respond safely and help speed your recovery. This virtual training will give you some practical tips about how to plan and prepare for your needs in a disaster or emergency.

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URGENT HELP NEEDED!

Are you looking for a meaningful and safe way to support your community?

Did you know that volunteering for Meals on Wheels makes a significant positive impact in our community?

Meals on Wheels is a program that delivers nutritionally-balanced meals to homebound-limited mobility individuals 60 years+ who are unable to regularly purchase or prepare their own meals.

Volunteering once, twice or more a month makes a big difference. You can choose how often you would like to volunteer. Meals on Wheels (MOW) routes take about an hour to deliver (1.5 hours for longer routes). *Meal pickup times vary but typically are ready between 10:15 am and 10:45 am Monday through Friday.*

MOW volunteer drivers use their own vehicle to deliver the meals, donate their time, and if requested are reimbursed for mileage at the current IRS mileage reimbursement rate.

**Please contact ADRC-CW to learn more:
888-486-9545 or email: adrc@adrc-cw.org**

COVID-19 Vaccine Virtual Informational Session Tuesday, February 9th at 10am.

Plan to join this presentation by Dr. Lisa Dodson, Sentry Dean and Founding Dean of the Medical College of Wisconsin – Central Wisconsin. Offered in collaboration with the Medical College of Wisconsin and The Landing.

During her presentation, Dr. Dodson will provide an update on current COVID-19 status and cover what you need to know about the various Covid-19 vaccines, what vaccination does and does not mean as we continue to combat the Covid-19 pandemic, and answer any questions you might have.

To Register: call (715)841-1855, free to members and non-members.

SAVE THE DATE!

**All Things Senior Virtual Event
May 25, 2021**

Watch for Details coming soon!



Community Connection Calls

In partnership with Medical College of Wisconsin, the United Way of Wisconsin and 211 Wisconsin has launched a new community outreach program across the state. Community Connection Calls pairs someone requesting a call with a trained volunteer. Once a week for four to six weeks, the volunteer and call-receiver enjoy a simple check-in and “hello” to help combat loneliness and isolation. United Way of Marathon County helped pilot the new opportunity and is looking for more involvement. **If you are interested in volunteering, or if you would like a series of calls, or know someone who would, contact Krista at Volunteer Connection by calling 715-298-5719.**



HISTORY MONTH

Courageous Community Conversations

Wednesdays in February 6:00pm.

February 3 - *United States History After the Transatlantic Slave Trade presented by Darryl Mayfield*

February 10 - *Racism Through a Trauma Informed Lens presented by Gwen Taylor*

February 17 - *Why Are We Still Talking About Racism presented by La'Tanya Campbell*

February 24 - *Racism and Black Women A Panel Discussion with Jonette Arms, Carmyn Hoen, Ariel Hubbert & Kayley McColley*

[CLICK HERE TO REGISTER](#) for these virtual events

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