

Blue Water Safe Horizons

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Volunteer Vibe

Volunteer today, make your mark on tomorrow!

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Welcome back to the monthly Volunteer Vibe newsletter. April holds a special place in our hearts, as volunteer appreciation week occurred on April 7th-April 13th. We would like to thank everyone that attending our appreciation meet and greet pizza party! In case you missed it, we announced our volunteer of the year 2017-2018 voted by staff - Robyn! Please continue reading below to find out more about Robyn and her idea on why volunteering is important.



Volunteer Spotlight:



Congratulations to Robyn for being our volunteer of the year for 2017-2018!

About Robyn:

Robyn began volunteering with BWSH the beginning of 2018 by providing child care during our group sessions. Robyn's full time job is in customer service/purchasing. Robyn enjoys, kayaking, hiking, biking, reading and spending time with her family.

Why is volunteering at Blue Water Safe Horizons Important to you?

There were times in my past when i had no direction to turn when i was very confused. Safe Horizons services offered guidance on what my options were. I am now happy to be in a place in life to want to return the favor.

Our Monthly Core Value:

Blue Water Safe Horizons has organized the development and delivery of its services around some core values. These values are designed to help establish and maintain the highest degree of professionalism and service to survivors. Diversity and inclusion is integral to the mission of the organization. As Blue Water Safe Horizons works to build relationships with survivors, community members, and each other based on integrity, honesty, and openness, members of this organization will continuously and sincerely demonstrate respect for all individuals' differences, rights and choice. Furthermore, members of Blue Water Safe Horizons will value equity, inclusion and dignity for all. Please be on the lookout, as each issue will feature a new core value.

OUR CORE VALUES

Empowerment

We value an individual's ability to make their own choices and support their journey to self-sufficiency. We provide non-judgmental services and use all available resources to improve the lives of survivors and empower them to create an independent life, free from violence and fear.

Special Opportunities!

We have some events we could use your help with. If you or someone you know might be interested in helping out, please let me know!

Spring Cleaning: We need as many volunteers as we can get to help us with spring cleaning at the women's shelter.

Location: Carolyn's Place

Date: April 26th, 2019. 8:00am-5:00pm

Tasks include: Deep Cleaning of the shelter, including walls, floors, ceilings, fans, all windows, sanitizing cooking areas from top to bottom, food storage, and removal of excess donations/ debris from basement, Wash building, outdoor toys, rake leaves, and remove yard waste.

Pet Shelter: We are in need of volunteers to help us get the pet shelter ready for the summer.

Location: Carolyn's Place

Date: April 26th, 2019. 8:00am-5:00pm

Tasks include: Clean and sanitize kennels, cages and corrals, sterilizes animals' food and water containers, inventory food and equipment supplies as necessary.

Walk for Sexual Assault Awareness : We need volunteers to help register and guide the walkers along the route.

Location: 723 Court Street. Port Huron, MI 48060

Date: April 27th, 2019. Registration starts at 9:00am, the walk begins at 9:30am

As always, we cannot thank you enough for all you already do for our residents. You truly make a difference.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities or are curious about other ways you can make a difference, feel free to contact me!

Mother's Day Breakfast



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Although, we can never repay our mothers this breakfast is just a small token of appreciation! It takes a strong woman to remove herself from a bad situation and raise a child in shelter. We hope this breakfast shows the moms at shelter that they are doing a great job! All food will be provided; we just need assistance cooking, serving and cleaning up!

Location: Carolyn's Place Shelter

Date: May 12, 2019. 9:00am-11:00am



Happy Birthday from all of us here at Blue Water Safe Horizons

April Birthdays:

Melinda Neuman April 3rd
Cliff Dupuy April 6th
Jeff Steinhauer April 11th
Betty Brinkman April 22nd
Bonnie Glasgow April 22nd
Larissa Daugherty April 23rd

If I missed your birthday, please contact me!

Feel free to send your newsletter ideas into me. We look forward to helping you while you help us!

Warm Regards,

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To increase awareness of intimate-partner and sexual violence and its effects on the community, to empower those victimized by providing advocacy and safe and effective services, and to work for social change through education and community collaboration.

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810-824-7948