

VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT

United Way of Allen County
DAY OF CARING

United Way of Allen County's most significant volunteer event is known as Day of Caring. Traditionally, well over 1,500 participants join forces for one day to help 50+ local agencies with a wide range of projects. Gather a team and submit an application to complete a volunteer project here in Allen County. This event typically occurs in August. Check our website late spring for updates.

**KINDERGARTEN
COUNTDOWN**

The Kindergarten Countdown program was developed to help families better navigate and prepare for the crucial transition into kindergarten while helping students be better prepared for school. It consists of 20 students per classroom with four weeks of high-quality instruction using a very hands-on, exploratory approach to learning. The program focuses on the practice of essential academic and social development skills that are fundamental to a child's ability to learn. Your team can donate backpacks filled with school supplies for kids to take home at the end of the program.

**FOOD
DRIVE**

United Way of Allen County organizes an annual Food Drive in February that serves local food bank organizations by collecting non-perishable food items. Your team will place a food collection bin in your office for one week and then the items will be delivered to a local food bank. Volunteers are also needed on collection day to help sort donations at the benefiting food pantries.

**KIT
BUILDS**
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A Great Team-Building Activity That Gives Back! Your organization can host a volunteer opportunity right at your workplace by creating kits that support essential needs within the community. United Way will bring the items for your desired project and your team will bring the creativity. Kits include emergency meals, cold weather supplies, literacy materials, baby essentials, and hygiene products. Cost to host a build is determined by kit type and quantity to be assembled.

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**PERSISTENCE
PAYS
OFF**

We are partnering with the TRIO offices at Purdue University Fort Wayne and Ivy Tech Community College to provide mentors for college students who are low-income, first-generation, or have disabilities. Mentors will support students in achieving their education and career goals by offering guidance and advice to help them through obstacles to remain enrolled in school. Mentors and students are required to meet at least once a month for one hour during the school year.

**AGENCY
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Local agencies would love your help. If your team can plant flowers, paint walls, swing hammers, or provide a variety of any other skills, then United Way can provide logistics and coordination with community agencies.

To learn more or inquire about opportunities above, email us at volunteer@uwacin.org.

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To find other volunteer events: unitedwayallencounty.volunteerhub.com

