



Encore

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Gallery and Studio for God's Kitchen

Soup's On! is growing with a new Gallery and Painting Studio! Help create a business and marketing plan for this entrepreneurial initiative.

Catholic Charities West Michigan

Contact: Julie Tamblin 616-498-1656
jtamblin@ccwestmi.org

Help Employers End Domestic Abuse

Join an advisory committee to launch a Business Initiative equipping employers to respond appropriately to situations related to domestic violence, and support their employees.

Safe Haven Ministries

Contact: Susan Halteman 616-452-6664
shalteman@safehavenministries.org

WGVU Member Correspondents

You can be the voice of public broadcasting that says "thanks!" Make calls of gratitude, and help shape the future of how public media connects with the community.

WGVU

Contact: Amanda Reader 616-331-6780
readera@gvsu.edu

Well House Visioning Committee

Be a part of this urban eco-village and the Vision to End Homelessness. Use your ingenuity to develop a plan implementing innovative design ideas from Steelcase.

Well House

Contact: Therese Kent 616-245-3190
theresepeace957@gmail.com

Volunteer Development

Good times, nutritional food, social events, and (new!) Senior Odyssey, for seniors in Kent County. Define, recruit, retain, and recognize the volunteers that make it all happen.

Senior Neighbors

Contact: Judi DeMink 616-531-5250
jdemink@seniorneighbors.org

Community Resource Center

Help connect low income, homeless and vulnerable people with community services through a user-friendly online resource center.

Heartside Ministries

Contact: Kris Omness 616-235-7211
volunteer@heartside.org

Justice Seekers Pilot Project

Join a team to identify specific needs in a neighborhood, and create a plan for grassroots change through volunteering and advocacy.

Christian Reformed World Relief Committee

Contact: Kris VanEngen 616-241-1691
kvanengen@crcna.org

Creative-Volunteer Cultivation

Redefine how volunteers impact lives through reading and the arts. Creatively plan for recruiting and retaining new volunteers.

Grandville Avenue Arts and Humanities

Contact: Steffanie Rosalez 616-742-0692
programdirector@gaah.org

Read to Me / Lea a Me

Make a difference in the life of a child. *Read to Me/Lea a Me* is a program where a parent or caregiver and a preschool child can read, learn and play together. Help organize activities and improve the effectiveness of the program.

SECOM (South End Community Outreach Ministries)

Contact: Robert Heys 616-452-7684
development@secomministries.org

Carefully Teaching Caregivers

Teach caregivers effective methods to foster a love of reading in their young children through workshops hosted at their local school.

Comprehensive Therapy Center

Contact: Jean Silbar 616-559-1054
jsilbar@therapycenter.org

For more information about skills-based volunteering, contact Teresa Zbiciak:

tzbiciak@hwmuw.org / 616-459-6281 ext 664

Your Time + Your Experience A Better GR!

We know that your time is precious, and your skills and experiences are valuable. That's why our community is finding new ways to engage your talents, grow your personal and professional networks, and enable you to make a real impact in the community.

Encore Projects go beyond traditional volunteerism. You won't be just another warm body. As part of a project team or committee, you will have a voice in an organization, and put your unique skills to work towards the greater good.

Within this brochure are just a handful of the many wonderful opportunities our community has to offer. You can check out more online at:

www.volunteercentergr.org/encore

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About Encore:

Encore is leading the call to engage experienced adults as a vital force for community change.

The Grand Rapids Community Foundation has partnered with the Volunteer Center at the Heart of West Michigan United Way and the Johnson Center for Philanthropy at Grand Valley State University to help bring **Encore Projects** to life.

Together they support local nonprofits as they reimagine service for the 21st century.

***Inspiring innovation, building capacity,
raising awareness - that's Encore!***

To learn more about **Encore**, visit
www.grfoundation.org/encore



Encore Projects

Team Opportunities

