

## **Community Partner Sites and Project Descriptions**

Alliance for the Great Lakes: We are looking for individuals/groups to lead Adopt-a-Beach cleanups at West Michigan beaches.

Capacity: Any

**Bibles for Mission – Grandville:** We are a Thrift Store. October we switch a lot of clothes to warm, winter clothing. We could use a hand shifting clothes around. *Capacity: 8* 

**Blandford Nature Center:** Blandford Nature Center has several areas of our non-profit that needs your helping hands! Whether it's pulling invasive plant species along one of Blandford's beautiful trails, tending to the produce or farm animals that call Blandford Farm home, or mulching some of Blandford's beautiful trails, volunteers are highly valued as an integral part of the success of Blandford Nature Center. *Capacity:15* 

**Bridge Street House of Prayer**: General facility upkeep and maintenance, neighborhood work/clean up, etc. *Capacity: 20-25* 

**Center for Women in Transition:** Tasks will vary depending on weather and programing. Most needs will be lighter maintenance inside and out, window washing, cleaning, organizing and yard work. *Capacity:* 8

**Community Action House:** Variety of things from sorting food and clothing to repairing furniture. *Capacity: 10* 

**Creston Neighborhood Association:** Volunteer opportunities include working in the community gardens, helping clean up water retention islands on Plainfield Ave, park clean-up. CNA also manages low-income apartments and volunteers help with maintenance such cleaning around the property. *Capacity: 10* 

**Kent County Parks Department:** Annual Fall Clean Up at Millennium Park - Projects will include landscape support, invasive species removal, trail trim and clean, and other special projects. *Capacity: 30-50* 

**Kentwood Thrift Center:** Helping in the store with sorting in coming donations and weather permitting out door work.

Capacity: 15

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**Oakdale Neighbors:** Oakdale Neighbors' Boston Square Community Bikes program refurbishes donated bikes for sale to promote affordable and sustainable transportation. Volunteers will help us sort and organize donated bikes, harvest parts from bikes, and/or refurbish bikes to restore them to productive use. *Capacity: 10* 

**Refugee Education Center:** We need assistance with cleaning, work projects, and volunteer appreciation projects.

Capacity: 20

**Select...World Mission:** We need a lot of help sorting clothing. Donations have been pouring in, but the current volunteers can't keep up, we would like help sorting good clothing from bad, summer from winter. *Capacity: 35* 

**United in Christ Ministries:** Would love volunteers to serve during our Saturday Community clean up event. *Capacity:15* 

**Urban Roots:** Urban Roots is a non-profit Community Farm, Market, and Education Center and is dedicated to connecting people to the soil and to the table. Join us as we Grow, Eat, and Learn while giving your time to something worth supporting! Urban Roots will be winding down the season and getting the farm ready for winter. Students will be helping with sowing cover crop, finish compost piles, removing irrigation from the farm, working in the fruit orchard, and more! Students will also get to enjoy a farm fresh lunch! *Capacity: 20* 

**Well House:** We are looking for people to work out side in our urban farm to help us weed, harvest, and care for the edible and non-edible plants. *Capacity: 25* 

**West Michigan Environmental Action Council:** For this event, we would be organizing volunteers to clean storm drains and tag them with "drains to river," to encourage people against littering/dumping pollutants into storm drains. Additionally, WMEAC is working to start bolstering our rain garden programs, and it is possible we may also need help harvesting seed from native plants to use in spring plantings the following year, or prepping our native rain garden for winter. *Capacity: 20* 

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Capacity: 10

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