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United Way of Blair County

## United Way of Blair County Launches New Volunteer Initiative

United Way of Blair County has launched a new volunteer initiative in an effort to bring local volunteer opportunities to one location. This cost-free volunteer hub is hosted on the United Way of Blair County website and streamlines the volunteer process for both volunteers and non-profit agencies.

The initiative serves as a “one-stop shop” for volunteers by providing them with quick access to a wide variety of opportunities in Blair County. Non-profit agencies are also encouraged to build their volunteer base by posting their own opportunities on the page. Submissions can include, but are not limited to, events, ongoing opportunities, committee involvement, etc.

“Volunteering is more than just helping others. It is reaching out, listening, and opening one’s heart to others to make a difference,” says Andrea Parrish, a freshman at Saint Francis University. “United Way of Blair County provides countless opportunities to make this difference, and their volunteer page is a great place to get informed on what can be done.”

To sign up as a volunteer, please visit [www.unitedwayofblaircounty.org/volunteer](http://www.unitedwayofblaircounty.org/volunteer) and click “Volunteer Now.” To submit a volunteer opportunity for a non-profit agency, please click “Post Opportunity.”

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