

Have you ever considered volunteering?

Volunteers are a key component in the success of Open Arms operating 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Volunteering time is a wonderful way for individuals or groups to contribute to our agency and the community. In 2006, our volunteers worked approximately 1,197 hours, which saved the agency in the area of \$17,955.

Basic Requirements to become an Open Arms Volunteer:

- Minimum age: 18 years old for most positions
- Fill out an application
- Agree to reference & background checks
- Interview
- Complete required training
- Sign a pledge of confidentiality

Who is eligible for services at Open Arms?

Anyone who has been affected by domestic violence or rape should call Open Arms to speak to an advocate. We offer programming for victims of domestic violence and rape, domestic violence offenders, children in violent homes, and any interested family, friends, or community members.

Services available at Open Arms

- 24 hour crisis hotline **419-422-4766**
- Confidential crisis shelter for victims of domestic violence and rape.
- Support groups for women and children survivors of domestic violence and adult survivors of rape.
- Individual support and education about domestic violence and rape.
- Court accompaniment, advocacy, and legal referrals for victims of domestic violence and rape.
- Prevention/education programming related to domestic violence and rape.
- The Violence Recovery Project for Offenders.
- Harmony House – A supervised visitation and exchange program.
419-420-9261

For volunteer opportunities call: 419-420-9261

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Volunteer Opportunities

Open Arms Domestic Violence & Rape Crisis Services



*You Can Make a Difference ...
just offer a Helping Hand.*



Contact Us At: 419-420-9261

Board of Director Volunteer

Open Arms is always looking for volunteer leaders to represent the community on our Board of Directors.

- Board terms are three (3) years in length.
- If you are interested in a position on the Open Arms board, contact us for specific details on time commitments and the nomination process.

Harmony House Volunteer

Harmony House provides supervised visits or exchanges due to issues related to divorce, child abuse, domestic violence or other safety concerns.

- Volunteers are trained to supervise visits and exchanges.
- Volunteers are needed to sit in visits Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Fridays 3:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. and Sundays 12:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Volunteers are also needed to assist with office work, cleaning or special events.

Children's Program Volunteer

Age requirement: 14 years old

Children's Support Group

- Thursdays 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m., volunteers are needed to assist the Child Advocate with group, crafts, snack time, and clean up.
- We also need volunteers to provide child care to the younger children who are not age appropriate for group, usually for children 0-3 years of age.



I am only one;

but still I am one.

I cannot do everything,

but still I can do something;

***I will not refuse to do
something I can do.***

... Helen Keller

Special Events Volunteers

Open Arms relies heavily on volunteers to provide successful fundraising and community awareness events, like our annual Birdhouse Auction and Domestic Violence Awareness Month.

- Jobs range from setting up displays to posting fliers and managing public relations.
- Volunteering is usually a one time, short term commitment for the length of the project.
- This ***“behind the scenes”*** committee work can offer volunteers a great networking opportunity, a chance to establish new friendships, all while making a positive impact on our community.
- Volunteers would work in conjunction with the current Communications Coordinator at Open Arms and would glean informative facts and situational knowledge regarding domestic violence and sexual assault in our community.

**Maybe you can put a SMILE
on a child's face!**

If you would like to donate some of your time and become a volunteer please contact us at: 419-420-9261.