

Volunteers to help with...

Youth

The Fairbanks Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA) Program is currently recruiting volunteers. CASA volunteers are community members who are screened and trained to advocate for youth in foster care. Your voice can truly make a difference in helping these children secure a safe, permanent home where they can thrive. To learn about becoming a volunteer with the Fairbanks CASA Program, please visit the AK CASA website (www.alaskacasa.org) or call Anne at 451-2812.

Literacy Council of Alaska has a long wait list of students grades K-12 who need a tutor. Please consider volunteering 1-2 hours a week in this capacity. **Contact:** Denise **Phone:** 456-6212

Program of Academic Exchange is looking for local families to "Share Your America" with our high school exchange students from one of 70 European, South American, Asian, or African countries during the 2014--2015 school year. Interested? **Contact:** Pamela **Phone:** 947-9056 **Email:** the_aerie@hotmail.com

Alaska Center for Resource Families is seeking Resource Families willing to open their homes to a child in need of aid. It's a rewarding experience and a great way to get involved with the healing within your community. If you are interested in learning more about what it takes to become a Resource Family **Contact:** Rachel **Phone:** 1-800-478-7307 **Email:** acrf@nwresource.org

AFS-USA invites you to redefine what it means to be a family by hosting an AFS Exchange Student. To find out more about hosting an AFS student **phone:** 1-800-AFS-INFO **email:** Alaska@afsusa.org **web:** www.afsusa.org.

The Salvation Army is looking for after-school volunteers to assist staff in helping children with reading, HW, music, games and free-time. . For information **Contact:** Dawn **Phone:** 374-4728 **Email:** dawn.mcallister@usw.salvationarmy.org

Labor and Skills

Greater Fairbanks Area Habitat for Humanity is accepting applications for partner families as well as looking for volunteers to help in their construction sites. Interested in learning more? Check out <http://www.fairbankshfh.org/> **Contact** Melanie **Phone:** 799-8991 **Email:** melanie@fairbankshfh.org

Medical

Alaska Health Fair, Inc. is a 35 year old non-profit. We are in serious need of medical and non-medical professionals; plus people skilled in drawing blood, who are willing to volunteer for local events. We are also looking for Health & Safety Exhibitors to educate their community. **Phone:** 374-6853 **Email:** ahfrur@gci.net. Thanks for supporting your local non-profit!

The American Cancer Society is looking for two or three volunteers willing to hold the local lead position and the local Road to Recovery Coordinator position with a backup position for the Fairbanks Cancer Resource Center. **Phone:** 458-6410

The Interior Alaska Cancer Association (IACA) is a local nonprofit whose mission is to assist Alaskan Interior cancer patients and their families. We provide resource guidance, financial assistance, support group sessions, and community education on cancer related topics. Our members are all volunteers who are committed to improving the lives of individuals touched by cancer. Our funding is solely through donations, with 95% of that being returned as a benefit to meet the needs of cancer patients in the Interior. Needing assistance? Interested

in taking part in our mission? **Phone:** 907-374-0974.

The American Cancer Society is looking for volunteers to assist in the Cancer Resource Center at Fairbanks Memorial, referring cancer patients to programs/services in an effort to reduce barriers through treatment. **Contact:** Maria **Phone:** [\(907\) 458-6410](tel:9074586410)

Seniors

Aging at Home Fairbanks is looking for volunteers to help seniors who live at home. Some chores are not as easy for people as they get older, and volunteers can make it possible for seniors to stay safe and healthy in their homes as they age. When an AAH member requests a service, volunteers are asked to respond. There is no set time or schedule – a volunteer responds as available, to help with chores such as computer or other technology issues, changing light bulbs, yard work, snow removal, transportation, etc. Contact Ellen, 799-4026, aahfairbanks@gmail.com. More information at www.aahfairbanks.org.

Fairbanks Senior Center is in search of Meals on Wheels drivers. Each route is 1.5 to 2 hours long. Delivery times start between 9:00 to 11:30am. A background check is needed. We will provide mileage reimbursement. Help bring homebound seniors a smile by joining the Meals on Wheels team. The seniors genuinely appreciate your hearts! **Contact:** Laurie at 452-1735.

Fairbanks Memorial Hospital – Hospice Services, is looking for hospice volunteers to provide respite care, emotional support, run errands and other practical support to their hospice patient and family. We also have an ongoing need for administrative volunteers to help at the front desk of our hospice office. We welcome donated quilts for our hospice patients. Contact Karen Callahan, 458-3094 or karen.callahan@foundationhealth.org.

The Salvation Army is in need of volunteers to help with food deliveries to 4 senior housing apartment complexes. Deliveries are on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of every month. For information **Contact:** Dawn **Phone:** 374-4728 **Email:** dawn.mcallister@usw.salvationarmy.org

Books/Technology

FMH DC wants to know, do you like books? FMH DC needs people like you who are looking to share their interest in the written word with our patients, visitors and family members. How about clerical work? Does organization and filing strike your fancy? FMH DC has several departments where you could put those skills to good use. **Phone:** 458-5595

Forget-Me-Not Books, a second-hand bookstore to support the programs of the Literacy Council of Alaska, is in need of volunteers! The bookstore depends heavily on volunteers to prepare and shelve merchandise and act as cashiers. Volunteers can donate as little as 4 hours a month and scheduling is flexible! **Contact:** Denise **Phone:** 456- 6212

Other/Special Events

Friends of the Tanana Valley Railroad is seeking volunteers for assisting in the FTVRR train museum and station for the summer season. Volunteers will interact with both tourists and local residents while sharing the local history of Fairbanks along with explaining exhibits on display in the museum. Volunteer qualifications only need be a cheerful attitude and a desire to learn and share some of our local history. Contact Matin Gutoski, museum

director at 378-9122 or the museum directly at 459-7421.

Fairbanks Arts Association is looking for volunteer docents to attend the Bear Gallery in the Alaska Centennial Center for the Arts building at Pioneer Park. Docent duties include welcoming patrons, managing sales in the gift shop, assisting with special events, meeting local artists, and the opportunity to view changing art exhibits. Docents usually volunteer one day per week, for a three-hour shift. We have several shifts available. Fairbanks Arts Association will provide necessary training. For more information **Contact:** Angela Bingley **Phone:** 456-6485 extension 222, or **Contact:** David McDowell **Phone:** 456-6485 extension 223.

Companions, Inc., local pet visitation group, is seeking volunteers with well-behaved pets to join our organization. We visit Denali Center, Pioneers Home, FMH, FRA Adult Care and North Star Council on Aging. Volunteers are required to pass a background check and attend an orientation, among other things and pet must pass a temperament screening and be up to date on required vaccines to participate. Please call Chelsea at 452-4259 for more information.

Stone Soup Cafe seeks committed volunteers to help prepare food and clean up. Help us feed the hungry at 507 Gaffney Road. If you are willing to commit to a regular shift between 7-10 a.m. Monday-Friday (pick your day, even if once a month or once a week), please **Contact:** Jennifer **Phone:** 452-1974 **Email:** stonessoupvolunteerinfo@gmail.com

JP Jones Community Development Center is in need of volunteers for the following committees: Property, Audit, Program, Volunteer, Marketing, and Fundraising committees. They also need volunteers to help with programs and events in the following areas: Meals, Cook-offs, Dances, Youth Programs, and Cultural, Community and Social Services. **Contact:** Judy **Phone:** 456-3729 **Email:** JPJCDC@gmail.com

Literacy Council of Alaska needs tutors to help improve the English skills of immigrant adults new to the community as well as to help people struggling to pass the GED test in math, reading or writing. **Contact:** Kristin **Phone:** 456-6212 **Email:** Kristin@literacycouncilofalaska.org.

Creamer's Field invites you to serve the community and visitors who use the Refuge. Volunteers are invited to host in the Farmhouse/visitor center at Creamer's Field. Hours are Saturdays noon-4pm until May 15th, then Tuesdays through Friday, 9:30am-1:15pm and 1:15 pm-5pm, May15-Sept 15. Training provided. Volunteers are also needed to lead walks on Creamer's Field Refuge; training is available. Walks are held Daily Mon-Sat at 10 am and on Wednesdays at 7pm. **Contact:** Mark Ross **Phone:** 459-7301

In-Kind

Morning Star Ranch is in need of glider rockers and/or rocking chairs in good condition. Also toys and games in good condition—such as Legos, puzzles, blocks, board games, etc. **Contact:** James, Arlys or Maya at 455-6772. **email:** msrdirector2015@gmail.com

Access Alaska's "Durable Medical Equipment Loan Closet" is in need of adaptive equipment donations that are clean and in good condition, specifically: wheelchairs, shower chairs, transfer benches, grab bars, bedside commodes, rollators (rolling walkers), and knee scooters. Access Alaska provides this adaptive equipment to anyone with a disability who is in need free of charge through their Durable Medical Equipment Loan Closet. Donations can be brought to Access Alaska, 526 Gaffney Road, Suite 100, or call Steve Martz 479-7940.

The Children's Healthy Living Program in the Center for Alaska Native Health Research at UAF is organizing a preschool winter clothing and equipment drive. Please donate anything from skis and sleds to jackets and snow

pants, and together we can make Fairbanks a more active community! Items must be clean, in good condition, and appropriate for children between the ages of 2-8 years. Drop off points include: Alaska Center for Resource Families, Thread Resource and Referral, Carol H. Brice Family Center, Arctic Health Research Building at UAF (Rm 105) **Contact:** Julianne **Email:** jpower4@alaska.edu

The Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living (IAC) is currently in need of the following items: Small bookshelves, children's board games and video games, wall clocks, magazine/book rack, large cork boards, coffee pot, entryway table, medium size clear plastic totes, towels, pillows & bedding, socks, underwear & bras (all sizes), hygiene items (all kinds), dishes & tupperware, and gift cards. IAC provides shelter and supportive services to those experiencing domestic violence and/or sexual assault. IAC would like to thank the Fairbanks community for your continued support. You can also support IAC through your Pick.Click.Give. donation. For more information please call [\(907\) 452-2293](tel:9074522293).

JP Jones Community Development Center is in need of items for silent auctions, art for their bare walls, new or "newer" computers, now or gently used stacking chairs and chair dolly's, rectangle and round tables, and table dolly's. **Contact:** Judy **Phone:** 456-3729 **Email:** JPJCDC@gmail.com

ACCA is looking for gift cards to Fred Meyer or Walmart for group activities including cooking club, social skills groups, swimming nights and parent support meetings and training. **Contact:** Valerie **Phone:** 456-4003

Literacy Council of Alaska is in need of newer computers that can run Windows 7 and newer operating systems. They get many requests for laptops with wireless capabilities. Additionally LCA needs SATA hard drives of 80 GB or more for desktops and PC2 DDR2 memory for rebuilding purposes. Please help us in our endeavor to get computers to persons in need. **Contact:** JR **Email:** jr@literacycouncilofalaska.org.

The Interior Alaska Center for Non-Violent Living is currently in need of the following items: Towels/wash cloths, shampoo/conditioner, lotion, deodorant, tooth paste, razors/shaving cream, bug spray, socks, underwear (all sizes children and adult), bras (all sizes), and gift cards (Fred Meyers, Safeway, Wal-Mart, Walgreens, Visa/MasterCard). Please **contact** Kara for more information at [\(907\) 374-8611](tel:9073748611) or development@iacnvl.org.