

Volunteers needed for United Way of Lake County Day of Caring

MENTOR – Volunteers are needed to participate in United Way of Lake County's (UWLC) 26th Annual Day of Caring Wednesday, June 27. The organization is also accepting projects from nonprofit agencies in need of volunteer assistance. Volunteers work on a variety of projects throughout Lake County which include things like indoor and outdoor painting, weeding, gardening, spreading mulch, edging flower beds, trimming bushes, planting and yard cleanup. Projects also include hosting socials for groups of seniors and children.

The day kicks off every

year with a pancake breakfast at Lakeland Community College, and following this, volunteers disperse to begin the projects they have adopted.

Project completion times vary, ranging from a couple of hours to a half or full day.

"Many organizations find Day of Caring to be a great team building activity and encourage groups of employees to participate. Others pair up with groups of friends as a way of giving back," said UWLC Marketing and Communications Director Tami Lewis.

Anyone interested in volunteering for Day of Caring, and any nonprofit agencies

in need of project assistance, should contact United Way of Lake County at (440) 639-1082 or via email at gsikula.org.

Through its Day of Caring, UWLC mobilizes the power of a large group of caring volunteers to make a meaningful impact in the community by pairing them with projects submitted by non-profits. Last year, more than 500 volunteers took part in UWLC's largest annual volunteer event.

Over the 25 years UWLC has made Day of Caring possible, they've recruited and paired more than 15,500 volunteers with more than 1,300 community projects.