

VOLUNTEERSCOOP

March - May 2014

Ending hunger in southwestern Wisconsin through community partnerships

CELEBRATE SERVICE

As our nation celebrates service during the 40th National Volunteer Week, Second Harvest Foodbank will celebrate you!

The first 200 volunteers to serve Monday, April 7th through Saturday, April 12th will receive a 2014 Bucky Book. Groups will receive 1 book to award to the MVV (most valuable volunteer) of their shift. We thank the Bucky Book organization for this generous donation to recognize Second Harvest Foodbank volunteers.

Plan to join your fellow volunteers in the break room for a variety of goodies all week long.

What a great time of year to invite a friend to become a volunteer by filling out the simple, online volunteer application at SecondHarvestMadison.org/volunteer. ■



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Start at SecondHarvestMadison.org.

VOLUNTEER HOURS ARE UP!

We couldn't make progress in our mission to end hunger in southwestern Wisconsin without you!

Second Harvest volunteers contributed a total of **42,705** valuable volunteer hours from July 2013 through January 2014, a 5% increase over last year. ■





Memorial Day Weekend Volunteer Opportunities

***World's Largest Brat Fest
May 23-26, 2014***

Volunteer at the Brat Fest sometime during the Memorial Day weekend and you can designate Second Harvest to receive \$8 (equivalent to 24 meals) for each hour you serve! Contact Nicole Lauderdale at nicole@bratfest.com to sign up. Please remember to designate Second Harvest as your charity.

Check out SecondHarvestMadison.org/bratfest for more details. ■

Madison ½ Marathon & 10K

Want to do two things at once? Support these races and benefit Second Harvest Foodbank at the same time! If you volunteer at one of these events organized by Madison Festivals, you can designate Second Harvest to receive a pre-determined hourly rate for each hour you serve. More information about the hourly rate and sign up information will be provided via email as it becomes available. ■

Welcome Back, **Badger Volunteers!**

237, 47,920 and 39,933! These are the hours served, pounds of food processed, and the equivalent number of meals from the service of our 10 member Badger Volunteers™ team from last semester, Fall 2013. Go Badgers!

Our team has doubled in size to 20 volunteers for the Spring 2014 semester and is led again by student Badger Volunteer leader, Mary Kojima. Coordinated through the Morgridge Center for Public Service at UW - Madison, these students give dedicated consistent service in the Product Recovery area on Monday evenings, often sorting produce to be distributed to those in need. ■

Safety Committee

Safety is a priority at Second Harvest Foodbank. You may have noticed some work of the Safety Committee:

- Designated walk-ways in the warehouse
- Evacuation maps posted throughout the building
- An automated external defibrillator (AED) available in case of emergency
- A safety bulletin board mounted in the break room
- A suggestion box at the reception desk for your input on safety as well as general suggestions ■

A Shout Out: **Dry Good Sorting Crew**

“Blessed are the flexible, for they shall not be bent out of shape.” Volunteers serving in the Dry Goods Sorting area have been not good, but GREAT, sports about the on-going changes in their service area. They continue to incorporate new procedures into their routine as categories are combined and transitioned to case units. Thank you! ■