



Volunteer Newsletter



Camano Center & 2nd Chance Thrift Shop

Volunteer Protection Law

Volunteering is a meaningful way to give back, and Washington State provides protections for volunteers through RCW 4.24.670. This law helps ensure you can focus on making a positive impact without unnecessary worry.

How does it work?

1. It applies to unpaid volunteers. If you are donating your time without compensation, this law protects you.
2. It covers actions taken in good faith. As long as you act responsibly, follow the organization's policies, and stay within the scope of your volunteer role, you are protected from personal liability for unintentional harm or accidents.
3. It doesn't cover intentional or reckless harm. If a volunteer acts negligently, recklessly, or outside their assigned responsibilities, the law's protection does not apply.

Examples of protection in action:

- While volunteering at an event, you accidentally knock over and break a decorative display; you are protected from personal liability.
- As a Meals on Wheels driver, you miss a delivery due to traffic delays; the law covers this unintentional mistake.
- If you're assisting in the thrift shop and inadvertently misprice an item, you are not held personally responsible.



Examples where protection does not apply:

- You purposely damage a piece of equipment because you're frustrated; this action is not covered.
- While volunteering to drive, you ignore traffic laws and cause an accident; reckless behavior is not protected.
- You act outside your responsibilities, such as taking on a role you are not trained for and causing harm as a result.

The Camano Center provides additional private insurance coverage for volunteer roles. This complements your personal insurance, offering peace of mind while you perform these vital services.

Stay Informed and Confident

To ensure you're always protected and confident in your role, we encourage you to review the attached Volunteer Handbook. It's a great resource for understanding our policies and procedures. If you're ever unsure about a situation, don't hesitate to reach out to your supervisor for clarification—we're here to help.

Thank you for sharing your time and talents with the Camano Center. Your dedication is truly appreciated and makes a difference every day!





Volunteer Holiday Party



at 2nd Chance Thrift Shop



Jan and Sandy



Vanessa, Lise, & Sandy



Glen



Larry



Sheila, Connie, Jill



Nicole, Christine, & Cynthia

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Current Positions Needing Filled

Camano Center

Old Friends Club Activity Companions -

Tuesdays or Thursdays 9 am - 3pm
Support members by being a friend and assist as needed with activities and transitions. Substitute and half day positions needed as well.

Please Note Our Upcoming Holiday Closures

**Camano Center
Monday, January 20
Monday, February 17**



**Would you or someone you know
enjoy volunteering either at the
Camano Center or the 2nd Chance
Thrift Shop?**

**Contact: Lisa Brents, Volunteer
Services Manager**

(360) 387-0222

or email lbrents@camanocenter.org

2nd Chance Thrift Shop

Available Shifts:

Wednesdays 1 pm -4 pm

Fridays 10 am -1 pm

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Mark your calendars for some great upcoming events. For those who enjoy volunteering for special events, please let me know which events you would like to volunteer at this year.

55+ Resource Fair

Location: Camano Center
Saturday, March 8

Women's Expo

Location: Camano Center
Saturday, May 17

Christmas Garage Sale

Location: Camano Center
Saturday, July 19

Spagehetti Lunch Fundraiser

Location: Camano Center
Date & Time TBD

Camano Center & 2nd Chance Thrift Shop Volunteer Facebook Group

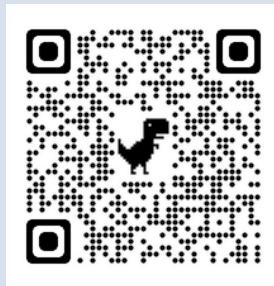
For those who may not know, we have a Facebook group for volunteers.

The intention of the group is to encourage sharing of what you and your friends are doing during your volunteer assignments with our organization.

This group also lets us reach out to ask for help when we are running short on volunteers in particular areas.

Please post your great pics or comments as often as you would like. Let's keep it fun and lighthearted.

*This page is for Camano Center & 2nd Chance Thrift Shop Volunteers only.
www.facebook.com/groups/992894578220212/
or scan QR code to join*



OLD FRIENDS CLUB

Volunteers Needed on Tuesdays

Companion/Activity Partners for Old Friends Club (social respite club)

Embrace the Power of Now!

At Old Friends Club, we believe meaningful relationships and activities should be accessible to everyone, regardless of cognitive changes.

Volunteers at Old Friends Club assist by:

- Facilitating conversations
- Encourage members to engage in activities such as music, art & games
- Help serve lunch
- Help ease transitions from one activity to the next
- Program volunteers ideally provide 5 hours on a Tuesday or Thursday from 9:30 am -2:30 pm. However, positions are needed for part of a shift or on an as-needed basis.

Skills needed:

- open-minded
- good attitude
- patience
- flexibility
- willingness to learn and adapt to ever-changing personalities
- compassion
- Experience working with the elderly population or individuals with dementia is a plus but not necessary. This is not a medical program. We are searching for compassionate and patient individuals willing to be in the present moment.



We want you if you have a big heart and a desire to make a difference!

An average day might look like:

- coffee and conversation
- stretch and walks
- brain games - fill in the blanks, trivia
- art activity or other creative process activity
- lunch and snacks
- movement activities - chair volleyball, walks, cornhole, dance
- music



Location Details: Camano Center, 606 Arrowhead Road, Camano Island

Contact: Lisa Brents, Volunteer Services Manager, (360) 387-0222

Online Application: www.camanocenter.org