



Volunteer Newsletter



Camano Center & 2nd Chance Thrift Shop

Our Mission: Create and provide opportunities that support healthy aging, independence, and well-being for older adults in our community.

Our Vision: A community where older adults are empowered to live their lives to their fullest potential.

Our Values: We behave with compassion, respect, and integrity. We foster an environment of inclusion and continuous growth. We act with a heart of service.

National Volunteer Month: Celebrating & Reflecting on Your Impact

It's National Volunteer Month, a time dedicated to recognizing and appreciating the incredible contributions of volunteers like you. While we could fill this page with superlatives and exclamation points to describe just how amazing you are, we'll opt for a more understated approach. Let's take a moment to reflect on the quiet but profound impact each of you makes.

Every Act Counts, Every Moment Matters

In the world of volunteering, it is not always about grand gestures or sweeping transformations. It is the seemingly small acts that collectively create a significant impact. Your consistent dedication to our mission doesn't go unnoticed and is deeply appreciated.

The Strength that Binds Us

Your commitment is the glue that keeps our programs running, our events successful, and our initiatives impactful. It is the behind-the-scenes work that often goes unnoticed but is absolutely indispensable.

A Diverse Tapestry of Talents

Each one of you brings a unique set of skills, experiences, and perspectives to the table. It is this diversity that enriches our organization and allows us to address challenges with creativity and resilience. National Volunteer Month is a time to celebrate not just the hours you give but the individuality you bring to our collective efforts.

The Ripple Effect of Your Generosity

Volunteering is a bit like tossing a pebble into a pond – the ripples extend far beyond the initial splash. Your willingness to give your time, energy, and expertise creates a ripple effect that touches the lives of those we serve. Your impact is felt in the smiles of gratitude, the moments of relief, and the sense of community that flourishes.

A Genuine Thank You

During this National Volunteer Month celebration, we extend a heartfelt and unassuming thank you. Your contributions are valued not only this month but every day. Your dependability, consistency, and commitment to being part of something greater than yourselves are what truly make a difference.

A Moment for Reflection

As we navigate the landscape of volunteerism, let's take a moment to reflect on the collective journey we've embarked upon. It is not about being the most extraordinary volunteer, but rather about being part of an extraordinary community of individuals devoted to bettering the world.

In your own unassuming ways, you have become the backbone of Camano Center & 2nd Chance Thrift Shop, and for that, we are profoundly grateful. Here's to you, the quiet (and not-so-quiet) architects of positive change.

*Truly
Grateful
for you.*

**Week of April 7 - Soda Bar & Snacks Week
Thrift Shop Break Room**

**Week of April 14 - Soda Bar & Snacks Week
Camano Center Front Desk (Office)**

April 23rd Munch & Mingle Volunteer Appreciation Party

2 PM -4 PM (DROP IN) at Camano Center

Catch up with friends and enjoy some drinks and appetizers

RSVP appreciated for food planning

OLD FRIENDS CLUB

Volunteers Needed to Help Us Provide an Additional Club Day on Tuesdays

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

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 of their time on a Tuesday or Thursday from 9:30 am -2:30 pm.

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.

If you have a big heart and a desire to make a difference we want you!

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
- family style lunch
- movement activities - chair volleyball, walks, cornhole, dance
- music



Location Details: Camano Center, 606 Arrowhead Road, Camano, WA, USA

Munch & Mingle

April is
Volunteer
Appreciation
Month

April 23, 2024
2:00-4:00 pm
at the Camano Center

Appetizers
Drinks
Socialize and
Celebrate with
us!



RSVP to help us know how many guests to expect. Call Lisa at
360.387.0222 or email at lbrents@camanocenter.org

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

at Camano Center

Medical Transportation Drivers

Assist Camano Island residents with transportation to necessary medical-related appointments. Mileage reimbursed. Schedule and destination distance determined by you.

Meals on Wheels Drivers

Help deliver meals to homebound members of our community. Camano Island routes are divided into north, central, and south.

Substitute drivers are needed.

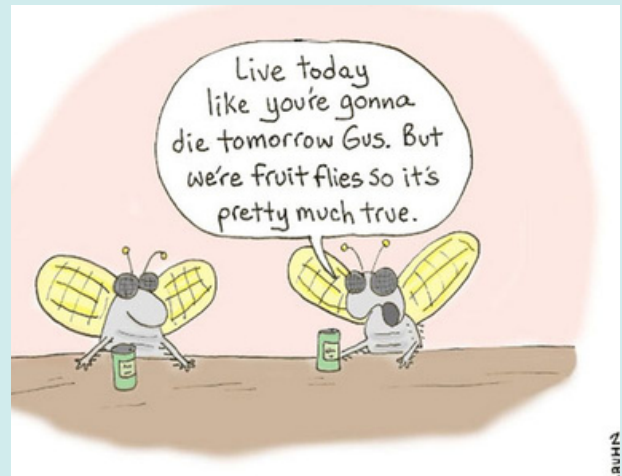
Regular Wednesday morning north-end driver needed
approximately 10:30-11:30 am

Mileage reimbursement
Background Check Required

Old Friends Club Activity Partners

Assist Club Coordinators by engaging members in a variety of fun activities, build relationships and be a positive presence.

Tuesdays beginning April 16
9:30 am -2:30 pm



UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteer Appreciation Munch & Mingle (drop in event)

Tuesday, April 23
2 pm - 4 pm
Camano Center

Would you or someone you know like information on 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**

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.

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