

## Volunteer Opportunities

New Hope Industries (1375 Newark Rd, Mount Vernon)

- Must be 18
- Help set up for events, moving furniture/supplies to new building
- (740) 397-4601; ask for their volunteer coordinator Brenda Bryant, or Melissa Oxenford
- <http://www.newhopeind.com/>

Brown Family Environmental Center (9781 Laymon Rd, Gambier)

- Leading elementary field trips
- Pulling non-native, invasive species
- Monitor bluebird nesting boxes
- Planting, weeding, growing seedling, composting, greeting visitors
- Contact Noelle Jordan at (740) 427-5050 or [jordan2@kenyon.edu](mailto:jordan2@kenyon.edu)
- <https://www.kenyon.edu/campus-life/sustainability-green-initiatives/brown-family-environmental-center/get-involved/>

Habitat for Humanity (ReStore: 13246 Wooster Rd, Mount Vernon; build sites vary)

- ReStore: Item prep, sales, cashier, customer service
- Build Sites: no construction experience needed, site supervisors provide instructions
- <https://www.hfhknoxoh.org/volunteer>

Shane Center (7908 Myers Rd, Centerburg)

- Therapeutic horse center; great place to volunteer if you like horses
- Need lesson, barn, and special event volunteers
- <https://shanecenter.org/volunteer> or (740) 625-9324

Public Library of Mount Vernon and Knox County (201 North Mulberry St, Mount Vernon)

- Assist staff with library programs
- Volunteer application:  
[http://www.knox.net/uploads/2/9/7/9/29794845/volunteer\\_application\\_revised\\_12-2018\\_.pdf](http://www.knox.net/uploads/2/9/7/9/29794845/volunteer_application_revised_12-2018_.pdf)

SPI (400 S. Main Street, Mount Vernon; in Kenyon College Wright Center)

- In need of weekly volunteers and volunteers for events
- Help students with games, coloring, and science activities
- <https://www.spi-mountvernon.org/volunteer.html>

Red Cross

- Blood Donor Ambassador
  - Help register blood donors, allow you to shadow before being on your own
  - Several hour time commitment
  - <https://www.redcross.org/volunteer/volunteer-opportunities/blood-donor-ambassador.html>

#### Salvation Army

- Serve hot meals, help set up
- After school programs - helping with homework, playing games
- No long term commitment needed
- Complete application <https://easternusa.salvationarmy.org/northeast-ohio/volunteer/> or call (740) 392-8716

#### Knox County Animal Shelter (285 Columbus Road, Mount Vernon)

- Dog walking
- Must be 18, fill out application at shelter
- Call (740) 393-6713
- <https://www.co.knox.oh.us/index.php/county-offices/dog-shelter-animal-control>

#### Escape Zone (1 Mansfield Avenue, Mount Vernon)

- After school hours
- Supervise/play games
- (740) 397-6888

#### Additional Options

- Nursing homes: play games, visit with residents, help with events/activities