

**VOLUNTEER
OPPORTUNITIES**



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GENERAL INFORMATION

Established in 1826, Vermilion County is located in east central Illinois. It has a rich history, beginning in the early days with the development of agriculture and coal mining, followed by brick making, the arrival of the railroads, and industry.

Notable persons who have ties to Vermilion County include Abraham Lincoln, "Uncle" Joe Cannon, and Dr. William Fithian. These are but a few of the dedicated people who used their wisdom and talents to help lay the foundations of our county. The Vermilion County Museum Society strives to preserve this rich heritage and to present it to its visitors.

Volunteers are vitally important to the Museum Society. It relies on the many skills, talents, and creative ideas volunteers have to contribute. By helping to provide a service to the community, volunteers gain a sense of personal accomplishment and feel the satisfaction of making a difference.

There are many rewarding opportunities for active volunteers, as well as those who help on an occasional basis. The Society appreciates every hour volunteers contribute. They help the Museum Society reach its goal of providing a place where the community can share and learn from its past.

Please take a few moments and learn how you can become a part of our team of helpful volunteers.

AREAS OF OPPORTUNITY

EDUCATION PROGRAM VOLUNTEER:
Presents educational programs to local school groups and assists with special events hosted by the Museum staff.

EXHIBIT VOLUNTEER:
Installs and disassembles exhibits. Aids in doing research on exhibits and developing small exhibits.

RECEPTIONIST:
Interacts with visitors by serving as a resource person both for the Museum and the area. Provides security for Museum artifacts, and the building by monitoring guests. Serves as a facilitator between the visitors and Museum staff. Helps with guest purchases in the Gift Shop.

GIFT SHOP VOLUNTEER:
Assists visitors and school groups with purchases from the many books, gifts, and other items in the Museum store.

OFFICE ASSISTANT:
Performs general office duties such as typing, filing, and answering the phone. Assists with the maintenance of permanent exhibits, processes new artifacts, and maintains existing collections.

GARDENING:
Help with the herb and flower gardens by planting, weeding, and watering.

SPECIAL PROJECTS VOLUNTEER:
Works on special projects, and events, such as the Midwest Heritage Quilt Show, bi-annual Cemetery Walk, open houses and special events.

Volunteers assist in almost every phase of activity at the Vermilion County Museum. Whether working with others or working independently, each area offers opportunities and challenges.

The Museum is open Tuesdays through Saturdays, 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM. The time donated not only helps the Museum Society, it helps the volunteer learn more about Vermilion County history.

To learn how you can become a volunteer at the Museum, please fill out the survey at the right and mail it to the Vermilion County Museum. Staff will contact you with further information. Your interest in becoming a volunteer at the Vermilion County Museum is appreciated.

VOLUNTEER AREAS OF INTEREST

I am interested in the following areas:

- EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS
- EXHIBITS
- GIFT SHOP WORKER
- OFFICE ASSISTANT
- RECEPTIONIST
- SPECIAL PROJECTS
- GARDENING
- I am interested in joining the Vermilion County Museum Society

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Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____ Phone: _____

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