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## **Volunteer Fair for Local Organizations**

**GURNEE, IL** – The Village of Gurnee and the Gurnee Park District will be hosting a volunteer fair on Wednesday, January 15<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at the Viking Park Dance Hall (4374 Old Grand Avenue, Gurnee, IL 60031). The volunteer fair will be an opportunity for non-profit organizations serving Lake County to match with potential volunteers.

Gurnee Mayor Kristina Kovarik recognized the need for a volunteer fair after hearing from residents wanting to become more involved in the community, and also from organizations struggling to find volunteers. "There appears to be a disconnect between the wonderful organizations serving our community and the residents looking for ways they could help others" said Mayor Kovarik.

There is no registration required for the event. Interested volunteers are encouraged to attend and learn more about organizations serving Lake County, with no obligation to join. The fair is open to all ages.

The volunteer fair will include nearly 15 organizations looking for volunteers. They represent a wide variety of causes and social services in the Gurnee community.

The organizations that have confirmed attendance include:

- Big Brothers Big Sisters
- Waukegan to College
- GiveNkind
- Mercy Housing
- VITAS HOSPICE
- Zacharias Sexual Abuse Center
- Save-A-Pet
- Koffibeanz Ungrounded Arts
- Feed My Starving Children
- Lake County health Department Medical Reserve Corp
- CASA Lake County
- Gurnee Park District
- Warren-Newport Public Library
- 2020 Census / Gurnee Complete Count Committee