

Report for Monday - 15 November 2021

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Updates on SCFL Community Services Projects/WI State Conference

Each year, we have typically done a holiday collection drive. Given the never-ending pandemic and ongoing negotiations and labor strife in our surrounding area, for now, we're going to simply announce that we will be doing some drive in December but there just are too many unknowns at this time. You will be notified from SCFL, most likely via e-mail. Thank you in advance for your patience and generosity!

There will be a 2022 WI State AFL-CIO Community Services Conference from March 24th thru the 26th at the Madison Concourse Hotel! The advance notice flyer is posted on SCFL's website. Please send any recommendations on speakers or workshop ideas my way.

Volunteer Your Time - Providing Help Right Now!!

If you personally or as a group/family want to help out by volunteering with area agencies in Dane County, there is a local website, <http://www.volunteeryourtime.org/>, which allows you to look for opportunities. They are clearly marked as to being in person OR completely virtual (to be extra safe). Your assistance is always appreciated! Do let me know if you need help finding something of interest.

United Way of Dane County Annual Campaign

For those in the private sector, I encourage you to give thru your employer's workplace campaign. For those in the public sector, you have many choices available. The Partners in Giving campaign is the largest - covering State, UW, and UW Health employees. And there also are campaigns at the City/County, Madison College, MMSD, and the Combined Federal Campaign. If you just want to give directly, please feel free to contact me.

Insurance on the Market Place and HealthConnect

On the HealthCare.gov Marketplace, anyone qualifying for Special Enrollment can sign up at any time. And HealthConnect is a program where people making up to 150% of the federal poverty level (FPL) who live in Dane County could have their premium cost paid up front (not a reimbursement).

United Way 211 - Help Starts Here

United Way 211 is a free, confidential information and referral resource available via telephone (voice or text) 24 hours a day, every day. It covers the entire state and you reach a "live" resource specialist by simply calling 211 on your telephone or texting your zip code to 898-211. If you prefer, the information is also available online at <https://211wisconsin.org/>. 211 is also looking for new volunteers, working safely from your own home, so please let me know if you're interested.

