

Greetings:

Here are some volunteer opportunities at Middle Way House.

Middle Way House, 338 S. Washington Street, Bloomington, provides services for people in crisis—emergency shelter, a 24-hour help and crisis line, on-scene advocacy, support services, and transitional and permanent housing solutions to support survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and human trafficking.

There are a variety of volunteer opportunities at Middle Way House (MWH). Each requires training, offered by MWH, beforehand. Here are some volunteer possibilities available to you:

- Answer phone lines for crisis calls and take messages for staff and residents
- Provide child-care for emergency shelter and resident children.
- Attend hearings/trials as observer and complete statement protocols characterizing the atmosphere with regard to how it might encourage or hinder the meaningful participation of victims.
- Plan, organize, and participate in activities for residents of the emergency shelter and transitional housing sites.
- Provide presentations about rape, sexual assault, and building healthy relationships to area high school students and community groups.

If you are interested in any of these or other volunteer opportunities, and in receiving the appropriate training (remotely via Zoom), please begin by contacting Cassie Petty, Community Outreach Coordinator, Middle Way House, at 812-337-4510 or [volunteer@middlewayhouse.org](mailto:volunteer@middlewayhouse.org). Information on how to register for the next training on June 13, can be found [here](#).

### Coronavirus Health Precautions at Middle Way House

- Everyone entering the building is asked to thoroughly wash their hands,

- Everyone entering the building gets a temperature check and must wear a mask.
- Bathrooms, kitchens, light switches and door knobs are sanitized every two hours

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Alan Backler at 812-340-1323 or at [abackler@aol.com](mailto:abackler@aol.com) or Marlin Howard at 812-320-5460 or at [howardm@indiana.edu](mailto:howardm@indiana.edu), co-chairs Homelessness Task Force.