

WHITLEY COUNTY NON-PROFIT RESOURCE GUIDE

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compassion count your LOVE GIVE
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MISSION

Fostering philanthropy for the lasting good of Whitley County.

VISION

We help to ensure donor gifts are effective and impactful. Through thoughtful grant making we fund worthy charitable causes and projects for the common good. Our leaders collectively identify local challenges and address needs in Whitley County.

CORE VALUES

- Integrity
- Transparency
- Stewardship
- Discretion
- Fairness & Impartiality
- Professionalism
- Collaboration
- Creativity

Our Community Foundation is a reflection of the generous people who call Whitley County home. Organized as a public charity, we offer donors a variety of tax deductible ways to make a difference in our community. Gifts are made to a variety of funds that are administered as permanent endowments. Endowed gifts to the Foundation are never spent, but invested for long-term growth. That means a gift given today will still be helping good things unfold for years to come. Endowment distributions are made from the investment returns and awarded to local students as scholarships and to non-profit organizations as grants, based upon specific criteria determined by donors when their fund was established.



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ACRES Land Trust

Contact: Jason Kissel, Executive Director
Address: PO Box 655, Huntertown, IN 46748
Phone Number: (260) 637-2273
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8:30am-4:30pm
Website: www.acreslandtrust.org



Services: ACRES Land Trust protects local land, including working land, forests, wetlands, native grasslands, unique geologic formations and habitat for rare, threatened and endangered species. Due to generous member support, much of this land is open to the public, free of charge, year-round.

Special Notes: ACRES and its members permanently protect more than 275 acres in Whitley County, including the Evelyn and Wendell Dygert Nature Preserve located north of Columbia City. This 132-acre preserve offers 2 miles of trail and includes a wide variety of unique wildflower and bird species.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

American Red Cross

Contact: Katherine MacAulay
Address: 1212 California Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46825
Phone Number: (260) 484-9336 ext. 204
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 5pm
Website: www.redcross.org/in/fort-wayne



Services: Through its strong network of volunteers, donors and partners, the American Red Cross of Northeast Indiana provides assistance to help prevent and alleviate human suffering in the face of disaster-caused emergencies for the residents of Whitley County.

Volunteer Opportunities: yes

Anthony Wayne Area Council, Boy Scouts of America

Contact: Clayton Whistler

Address: 8315 West Jefferson Boulevard, Fort Wayne, IN 46804

Phone Number: (260) 710-5053

Hours of Operation: N/A

Website: www.awac.org



BOY SCOUTS
OF AMERICA®



Services: Volunteer organization dedicated to serving the youth of today.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

B.A.B.E



Contact: Jacie Stahl, Executive Director

Address: 533 N Line Street, Columbia City, IN, 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-2820

Hours of Operation: Wednesdays and Thursdays 12pm- 5:30pm

Website: www.babewc.org



Services: BABE is an incentive program that provides classes and basic needs such as diapers, wipes, clothing, bedding and more for families with children ages infant-5 years.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Big Brothers, Big Sisters of Northeast Indiana

Contact: Customer relations

Address: 1005 W Rudisill Blvd., Fort Wayne, IN 46807

Phone Number: (888) 456-1600

Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 8am-7:30pm; Friday 8am- 2pm

Website: www.bbbsnei.org



Big Brothers Big Sisters

Services: Big Brothers Big Sisters fosters mentoring relationships between volunteers and children in Whitley County to help children reach their full potential. With multiple, flexible programs designed to fit any schedule, volunteers make a positive impact in a child's life in less than 3-4 hours per month...and have fun doing it!

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Bowen Center

Contact: Mista Lauber

Address: 119 West Market Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-8176

Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 8am-7pm; Friday 8am- 5pm

Website: www.bowencenter.org



Better Counseling...Better Life

Services: The Otis R. Bowen Center for Human Services, Inc. is a non-profit mental health care service provider committed to making a difference in the lives of those it serves. The Center employs a professional team of psychologists, psychiatrists, nurses, social workers, therapists, and chemical dependency specialists. The mission is to positively impact the quality of life for those they serve by providing professional, caring, cost-effective behavioral healthcare services. The Bowen Center, with 11 counseling centers in 10 Indiana counties, has a variety of both inpatient and outpatient programs for adults and children ranging from substance abuse to bullying, treatment for ADHD, stress management, grief counseling, programs for autism and numerous other specialties. The professionals of the Bowen Center are dedicated to helping their clients achieve new beginnings every day.

Brightpoint



Contact: Ashley Davis

Address: 1340 S Governors Drive, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-2737

Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 7:30am- 5pm; Friday 7:30am- 12pm

Website: www.mybrightpoint.org/columbiacityheadstart

Services: We provide preschool services and social services for parents of children ages 3-5 years old. Preschool children receive health, mental health, nutrition, dental, vision, and hearing services. We also partner with the whole family to connect them to needed services in town, set goals, and assist in meeting these goals.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Special notes: Also available onsite through the Family Service Department of CANI are childcare vouchers and energy assistance to those who are income eligible. This is available on Fridays. Call 1-800-589-2264 to schedule an appointment. Early Head Start also operates out of the same building. It is an early childhood program, created to break the cycle of poverty by providing services to children from low income families. This is not a child care service, rather visitors come into the home weekly and work with parent and child on activities based on their child's needs.

Camp Whitley



Contact: Brian Bills

Address: PO Box 845, Columbia C

Phone Number: (260) 799-5587

Email: campwhitley1928@gmail.com, IN 46725

Hours of Operation: June Through July

Website: www.campwhitley.com



Services: Nonprofit summer residential camp for children 7-14 years old

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana

Contact: Hollie Dove

Address: 6316 Mutual Drive, Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Phone Number: (260) 484-9560

Hours of Operation: Monday 9am-7pm; Tuesday- Friday 9am- 5pm

Website: www.cancer-services.org



Services: Cancer Services of Northeast Indiana enhances the quality of life for local residents affected by cancer. The organization provides meaningful resources, information, and compassionate assistance. Cancer Services can connect patients and their families with a knowledgeable advocate to help with informed decision making related to quality care. In addition we offer medical supplies, equipment, and wigs.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

The Center for Whitley County Youth

Contact: Jeff Wike, Executive Director

Address: 201 W Market Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-4977

Hours of Operation: after school

Website: www.thecenterwcy.com



Services: The Center is an award-winning and board based youth development organization that surrounds area middle school and high school students with opportunities to grow up healthy, caring, and responsible. The Center offers mentoring and role modeling, daily meals, homework help, physical recreation, leadership and job skill training, as well as character and faith development.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Children First



Contact: Kristina Brockhouse; Executive Director/ Maureen Prebynski;

HOME Director/ Maria Manuel-Slone; Healthy Families Director

Address: 1752 Wesley Road, PO Box 562, Auburn, IN 46706

Phone Number: (260) 925-3865

Hours of Operation: 8am- 5pm and by appointment evening and weekends

Website: www.childrenfirstcenter.org



Services: Family focused curriculum provided in the home that supports and encourages positive parenting while building family strengths. Examples of services are Shaken Baby Syndrome Awareness Training and Nurturing Parent.

Volunteer opportunities: Yes

Churubusco Community Child Care Center



Contact: Michelle Hecht

Address: 111 Home Avenue, Churubusco, IN 46723

Phone Number: (260) 693-2966

Email: churubuscochildcare@gmail.com

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 6am- 6pm

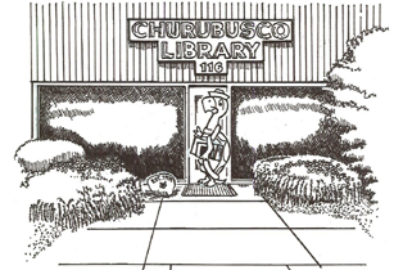
Website: www.buscochildcare.org



Services: Childcare for children starting at 6 weeks and goes through 12 years at affordable cost to families.

Churubusco Public Library

Contact: Rachel Eyermann, Library Director
Address: 116 N. Mulberry Street, Churubusco, IN 46723
Phone Number: (260) 693-6466
Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 11am- 7pm;
Friday 11am- 6pm; Saturday 9am- 2pm
Website: www.buscolibrary.org



Services: The Churubusco Public Library provides a variety of materials and programs for the education and enjoyment of all. The Library has books, ebooks, audios, magazines, and videos for library users to borrow and computers available for public use. The Library also provides printing/copying, fax, and scanning services.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Community Foundation of Whitley County, Inc.

Contact: September McConnell, CEO
Address: 400 N Whitley Street, Columbia City 46725
Phone Number: (260) 244-5224
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 4:30pm
Website: www.cfwhitley.org



Services: The Community Foundation of Whitley County is a public charity that connects local donors to projects they care about. As a funding organization, the Foundation awards competitive grants twice a year to local non-profit organizations serving in the areas of Youth, Arts & Culture, Recreation, Education, Health and Human Services. Deadlines for grant applications are May 1st and December 1st. The Foundation also manages a county-wide scholarship program and is the umbrella organization for projects such as the H.A.N.D.S. Foundation and ACTS.

The Community Foundation is here forever, for good!

Freedom Academy Continuing Education



Contact: Melissa Carpenter, Executive Director

Address: 743 E. North Street, PO Box 515, Kendallville, IN 46755

Phone Number: (800) 200-6499

Email: info@freedomacademy.net

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 5pm

Website: www.freedomacademy.net

Services: Freedom Academy is a private, non-profit adult continued education organization that believes education is the key to economic freedom. By providing high-quality, cost-effective education, Freedom Academy builds its reputation as "Not Your Ordinary Classroom" by providing practical and relevant instruction of outstanding quality. There are no admission requirements other than the desire to learn.

Special Notes: Public classes are held in Dekalb, Noble, Kosciusko, LaGrange, Steuben and Whitley Counties at community centers, libraries, and schools by instructors who are occupational experts in their areas with strong background built upon extensive on-the-job experience.

Girl Scouts of Northern Indiana Michiana



Address: 10008 Dupont Circle Drive E, Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Phone Number: 800-283-4812

Hours of Operation: N/A

Website: www.girlscoutsnorthernindiana-michiana.org

Services: Provides opportunities for girls to discover their strengths, connect with others, and take action to improve their communities. Girl Scouts is the world's preeminent leadership development organization for girls, building girls of courage, confidence, and character, who make the world a better place. Activities include various camps, community projects, outdoor journeys, STEM, archery, engineering, environmental projects, crafts and more. Girl Scouts is an inclusive organization and accepts all girls who identify culturally as females, as well as all adults, who are willing to live by the Girl Scout Promise and Law.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Helpline of Whitley County

Contact: Bridget Kroeger

Address: 605 Forest Parkway, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-2601

Hours of Operation: N/A

Website: www.columbiacityumc.org/helpline

HELPLINE
Of Whitley County



Services: Helpline of Whitley County is a non-profit organization under the umbrella of Columbia City United Methodist Church. It is a telephone referral service to assist individuals and families who find they need emergency assistance and/or a need for furniture. To receive service, you must first obtain a voucher from the Salvation Army.

Volunteer opportunities: Yes

A Hope Center

Contact: Jo Faulkner

Address: 344 N Main Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 755-1065

Email: Jofaulkner@ahcfriends.org

Hours of Operation: Tuesday-Friday 10am- 5pm; Wednesday 10am- 7pm

Website: www.ahopecenter.org

A hope CENTER



Services: Free pregnancy tests, STD testing, ultrasounds, appointments and walk-ins welcome.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Humane Society of Whitley County

Contact: Abbi Ogden, Director

Address: 951 S Line Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-6664

Email: director@hswc.org

Hours of Operation: Monday 12pm- 2pm; Tuesday,

Wednesday & Friday 12-5pm; Thursday 12-7pm; Saturday 10am-1pm

Website: www.hswc.org



Services: The shelter's mission is to assure sanctuary for homeless animals and encourage responsible pet ownership. The goal of the Humane Society of Whitley County is to prevent cruelty and alleviate suffering among animals; provide temporary housing and facilitate animal adoption whenever possible; guard the health and safety of the community by working to minimize unwanted population growth, and by helping in the control of lost stray animals.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Impact Center



Contact: Paula Kauffman

Address: 500 W Van Buren Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 229-2525

Hours of Operation: Thursday 1-4:45pm

Website: www.impactcenter.info



Services: Impact Center Inc. is a ministry established to provide food for those in need. The people we serve are from all walks of life. Impact Center Inc. is solely supported by individual and corporate donations. We hope that in working together we can continue to IMPACT the people of Whitley County.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Junior Achievement



Contact: Maureen Shippy

Address: 550 E Wallen Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46825

Phone Number: (260) 414-8034 (cell)/(260) 484-2543

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 5pm

Website: www.jani.org



Services: We provide school programs taught by local volunteers and community leaders, to students from preschool to high school seniors. Subject areas include financial literacy, entrepreneurship and work readiness. We have many different programs that cover “needs and wants”, budgeting, learning about local economies, preparing for careers, risk management and more.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

(Tavionna Foster, Columbia City High School student, won the Schwab Essay contest through Junior Achievement’s program JA Career Success. Pictured with her is Lyle Kuhmichel, VP and MaryAnn James, teacher.)

Leadership Whitley County

Contact: Carrie Meyer, Director

Address: 220 W Van Buren Street, Suite 102,
Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-5506

Email: lwc@whitleyedc.com

Hours of Operation: 8am- 4:30pm Monday-Friday

Website: www.whitleyedc.com/lwc/leadership-whitley-county



Services: LWC is a seven-month experiential learning program designed to empower individuals to serve and become better leaders, and to connect them with resources to continue growing as a leader at home, in the workplace and in the community.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes, for alumni

Mission 25

Contact: Shawn Ellis

Address: 500 W Business 30, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-5266

Hours of Operation: N/A

Website: www.mission25cc.org



Services: Mission 25 is a transitional shelter providing the pathway of prevention, transition and restoration for homeless people in Whitley County. The Mission 25 staff will journey with individuals through an individualized program in the ways of case management, financial education and training, recovery methods, employment strategies, parenting techniques, and supportive services. Our staff will work with individuals to ensure self-sufficiency as the end result.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

One Community

Contact: Lori Starkey

Address: PO Box 314, South Whitley, IN 46787

Phone Number: (260) 609-0281

Hours of Operation: varies depending on program

Website: www.ocwhitko.org



Services: Programs and activities focusing on senior citizens and children 18 years of age and younger. These programs include: Lunch & Camaraderie, SW Community Preschool, SW Youth Sports, Empower Us Mentoring Program and Kids Connect.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Parkview Whitley Hospital



PARKVIEW
WHITLEY

Contact: Carrie Hoffman

Address: 1260 East State Rd 205, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-9802

Email: carrie.hoffman@parkview.com

Website: www.parkviewfoundations.org

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 5pm

Services: Breast cancer support group, diabetes education classes, diabetes support group, healthy beginnings new mom's support group, medication assistance program and seniors club.

Passages



Contact: Jason Meyer, President & CEO

Tenel Hawn, Accounting Manager (thawn@passagesinc.org)

Address: 301 West Van Buren, Suite 201, PO Box 1005, Columbia City, IN 46725

Creative learning center is located 333 North Oak Street, Columbia City

Phone Number: (260) 244-7688

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 5pm

Website: www.passagesinc.org



Services: Passages, Inc. currently serves over 240 individuals offering a variety of community-based programs and services for individuals with intellectual disabilities. The mission of Passages, Inc. is to join with others to support people with intellectual and/or developmental disabilities in living, learning, working, and socializing in the community through the use of quality practices.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Peabody Public Library



Contact: Mary Hartman, Executive Director

Address: 1160 E Highway 205, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-5541

Hours of Operation: Sunday 1-5pm (Labor Day to Memorial Day); Monday and Friday 8am- 6pm; Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays 9am- 8pm; Saturday 9am- 5pm

Website: www.ppl.lib.in.us



Services: The services offered by the Peabody Library include material available for loan (print & non print), e-book audiobook & music downloads, internet & wireless connectivity, online databases, reference service & interlibrary loans, photocopier, faxing, meeting rooms, test proctoring and study rooms. There are programs scheduled for all ages covering a wide variety of topics and interests. Many of these services are available to the public without having a Peabody Library card.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Special Notes: Also available is the 1000 Book Club program for children ages 18 months to 5 years that encourages literacy before kindergarten.

Purdue Extension - Whitley County



Purdue Extension - Whitley County

Contact: Cindy Barnett

Address: 524 Branch Court (effective Fall 2019), Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-7615

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8:30am- 4:30pm

Website: www.extension.purdue.edu/whitley

Services: Educational programming for youth and adults. Areas include human development, financial management, food and nutrition, food safety, leadership development, consumer horticulture, crops, livestock, Master Gardeners and youth development.

Salvation Army of Whitley County

Contact: Christine Scroggs

Mailing Address: PO Box 881, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-1711

Hours of Operation: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday 10am-2pm,

Tuesdays by appointment only, closed Fridays



Giving
Hope
Today



Services: Utility Assistance, Life Skills Classes, Hygiene pantry, First Church of God Pantry, Helpline Furniture, Pathway of Hope (budgeting/goal setting), Baskets of Hope (Program for new members in Whitley County, or those who become independent after completing Mission 25 Program or Jail Program), Coats for Kids, Tools for Schools, Shoes for School, Whitley Worx (work shoe assistance), Nursing home visitations, Grandparent's Closet (Christmas gift assistance for grandparents), Thanksgiving/Christmas Food, Angel Tree (Christmas gifts for kids whose parents are incarcerated), Referrals to other agencies.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

South Whitley Community Public Library

Contact: Vicki Bulta

Address: 201 E Front Street, South Whitley, IN 46787

Phone Number: (260) 723-5321

Hours of Operation: Monday 10am- 6pm;

Tuesday-Thursday 10am- 8pm; Friday and Saturday 10am- 4pm

Website: www.swcplib.com



Services: Provides book buddies, toddler and preschool story times, community programs, large print books, audio books, DVDs, and movies, and classes.

TROY School

Contact: Cindy Baker, Nicole Trier, Michelle Platz

Address: 1911 E Business 30, Columbia City, IN 46725

Mailing Address: PO Box 1002, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-8787

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8:30am- 3:30pm

Website: www.troyalternativeschool.com



Services: TROY School is an accredited independent alternative school helping students gain an education and earn a diploma at their own pace while supported by loving teachers, counselors, and support staff. Our mission is to provide the youth of our community with the tools and education necessary to succeed in school and in our community.

Volunteers Opportunities: Yes

United Way of Whitley County

Contact: Loretta Mottram

Address: PO Box 464;

219 W. Van Buren Street Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-6454

Email: info@unitedwaywhitley.org

Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 8am- 5pm; Friday 8am- 4pm

Website: www.unitedwaywhitley.org



Services: United Way brings together compassionate people who are committed to improving lives in Whitley County. By identifying and addressing local needs, United Way is able to make a profound difference on the quality of life in the community in the areas of Health, Education and Financial Stability. United Way works with local businesses, human service agencies, schools and governmental institutions to ensure contributions will make the largest impact possible.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Special notes: United Way of Whitley County also supports Indiana 2-1-1, a free resource service for anyone seeking assistance for housing, food, and/or SNAP benefits, legal aid, counselling, utility assistance, health care, transportation, clothing, and a wide array of other human services that are specific to Whitley County. 2-1-1 representatives are available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Easy access, just dial 211 on your phone.

Whitley County 4-H

Contact: Todd Geiger, 4-H Youth Development Educator

Address: 524 Branch Court (effective Fall 2019),

Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-7615

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 4:30 pm

Website: www.extension.purdue.edu/whitley



Services: To assist youth (grades 3 through 12) and adults in their development by conducting hands-on educational programs using the knowledge base of the 4-H program. Activities may include photography, crafts, baking, rocketry, bicycles, sewing, companion animals, livestock animals, STEM activities, 4-H Camp and the 4-H Fair.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Whitley County Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center

Contact: Jennifer Romano, Executive Director

Address: 128 W Van Buren Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-8131

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 10am- 3pm

Website: www.whitleychamber.com



Services: Promotes commerce and character of the area through a cooperative network of leadership and involvement from businesses and community.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Whitley County Council on Aging & Whitley County Transit

WHITLEY COUNTY COUNCIL ON AGING

Contact: Becky Salaway, Director

Address: 710 Opportunity Drive, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 248-8944

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 4pm

Email: becky@wccoa.biz

Website: www.whitleycountycouncilonaging.com



Services: The Whitley County Council on Aging is a non-profit center for seniors with services and programs for those 50 and over. There are daily Activities, lunches as well as senior informational programs the Council on Aging. Whitley County Transit provides transportation throughout the county for people of all ages including the disabled, children and adults. There is a nominal charge for this service. Those 60 and older ride for a donation. Hours of Transit operation is 7am- 5pm. Assistance is available at a reduced rate for U.S. Veterans who need transportation assistance to medical appointments.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Whitley County Energy Assistance

Phone Number: (800) 589-3506 (press 1 and then press 3 and follow the prompts for utility assistance)

Hours of Operation: N/A

Website: www.mybrightpoint.org

Services: Provides heating assistance starting in the beginning of November to those who are income eligible.

Special notes: See website for more information. If you're up for disconnection or are already disconnected, you may call the Brightpoint Appointment Line at (800) 589-2264 or 211 for an appointment beginning October 25 or go online to schedule an appointment. If you're not currently up for disconnection, you may complete the web/mail-in application and submit it for processing.



Whitley County Family YMCA

Contact: Erica Miller, District Executive Director

Address: 950 E Van Buren Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-9622

Hours of Operation: Monday-Thursday 5am- 10pm; Friday 5am- 9pm;

Saturday 7am- 6pm; **Sunday** 12pm- 5pm

Website: www.fwymca.org/locations/whitley-county-family-ymca



Services: At the Y, strengthening community is our cause. Every day we work side-by-side with our neighbors to make sure everyone, regardless of age, income or background, has the opportunity to learn, grow, and thrive. The Y is the nation's leading nonprofit committed to strengthening communities through youth development, healthy living, and social responsibility. The Y is, and always will be, dedicated to building healthy, confident, connected, and secure children, adults, families, and communities. Every day our impact is felt when an individual makes a healthy choice, when a youth coach inspires a child, and when the community comes together for the common good.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Whitley County Giving Circle for Women's Health

Contact: Community Foundation of Whitley County

Address: 400 N. Whitley Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-5224

Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 4:30pm

Website: www.cfwhitley.org



Services: Launched in 2003, the Giving Circle provides free mammogram certificates to Whitley County residents without insurance and otherwise unable to afford vital screening.

Whitley County Historical Museum

Contact: Dani Tippmann, Director

Address: 108 W Jefferson Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-6372

Email: wcmuseum@whitleymuseum.com

Hours of Operation: Tuesday-Thursday 9am- 5pm; Friday 9am-12pm

Website: www.whitleymuseum.com



Services: Here at the Whitley County Historical Museum, our mission is to instill in people an appreciation of the persons and events which have molded the Whitley County community; to collect, preserve, and offer historic artifacts and stories to the public through exhibits, publications, collaboration, research, and educational programs.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Special notes: Admission to the museum is completely free, although donations are welcome!

Whitley County Literacy Council, Inc.

Contact: Sandra Slone, President

Address: PO Box 922, 115 South Line Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Hours of Operation: Monday 11:30am- 2:30pm; Tuesday 11:30am- 2:30pm, or by appointment

Phone Number: (260) 244-2375

Email: wcliteracy87@gmail.com

Facebook: [whitleycounty.literacycouncil](https://www.facebook.com/whitleycounty.literacycouncil)

Website: whitleyliteracycouncil.org



Services: Helping adults reach their goals since 1987. Offering free one-on-one tutoring for:

- High School Equivalency (GED)
- Math, reading, writing for all levels
- Jobs skills
- Driver's license preparation
- Computer basic skills
- ESL (English as a second language)

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes, volunteer tutors or office help

Whitley Crossings Neighborhood Corporation

Contact: Jason Meyer, President
Dave Lehman, Executive Director
Address: 301 W Van Buren Street, Suite 201,
PO Box 1005, Columbia City IN 46725
Phone Number: (260) 244-7688
Hours of Operation: Monday- Friday 8am- 4pm
Website: www.whitleycrossings.org



Services: Whitley Crossings Neighborhood Corporation is dedicated to providing safe, affordable housing for a wide range of people, including senior citizens and people with disabilities. Whitley Crossings consists of 65 units in Whitley County including 22 units of Clugston on the Square, 22 units of Heritage Homes and 21 at Whitley Meadows.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Youth for Christ

Contact: Dana Neuenschwander, Whitley County
Campus Life Ministry Coordinator
Address: 6427 Oakbrook Parkway, Fort Wayne, IN 46825
Phone Number: (260) 229-8112
Hours of Operation: N/A
Website: www.yfcnin.org



Services: Youth For Christ seeks to reach young people everywhere, working together with the local church and other like-minded partners to raise up lifelong followers of Jesus who lead by their godliness in lifestyle, devotion to the word of God and prayer, passion for sharing the love of Christ, and commitment to social involvement. Youth For Christ builds relationships with 6th-12th grade students through: club, small groups, appointments, building times, core teams and trips/events.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

YWCA Northeast Indiana



Contact: Paula Hughes-Schuh
Address: 5920 Decatur Road, Fort Wayne, IN 46816
Phone Number: (260) 424-4908
Domestic Violence Crisis Line: (800) 441-4073
Sexual Assault Crisis Line: (260) 426-7273
Hours of Operation: Monday-Friday 8am- 5pm; Crisis Shelter: 24/7
Website: www.ywcanein.com

Services: YWCA Northeast Indiana is a non-profit agency dedicated to eliminating racism, empowering women and promoting peace, justice, freedom and dignity for all. YWCA offers a variety of services and programs for women and children including residential addictions recovery services, domestic violence & sexual assault services that are also available for men, community education programs for youth and adults, and economic empowerment & professional resources for most clients. YWCA also engages our community through a variety of free educational and awareness events that facilitate discussion over topics that support our mission. Visit our website for more information.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes – Visit ywcanein.com/volunteer for information

WHITLEY COUNTY FOOD PANTRIES



Big Lake Church of God

Contact: Aimee Maggart
Address: 6955 N State Road 109, Columbia City, IN 46725
Phone Number: (260) 691-3503
Hours of Operation: Wednesday 6-6:30pm
Website: www.blcog.org

Services: food pantry
Volunteer Opportunities: yes

Churubusco United Methodist Church

Address: 750 N Main Street, Churubusco, IN 46723
Phone Number: (260) 693-2154
Hours of Operation: Tuesday-Friday by appointment only
Website: churubuscounc.org

Services: Food pantry

Volunteer Opportunities: yes

Special Notes: The church provides food giveaways every Tuesday from 2:30-3:30 pm. November through March the church will have a hot meal delivery on Wednesdays to shut-ins and seniors. Delivery requests must be called ahead and are limited to the Churubusco area.

Community Midweek Meal

Contact: Jill Daniel
Address: Columbia City United Methodist Church,
605 N Forest Parkway, Columbia City, IN 46725
Phone Number: (260) 244-7671
Hours of Operation: Wednesday 11:30am-12:30pm

Services: Weekly Wednesday lunch meal. Free will donation only. Care and share table once a month (toiletries/non-food items).

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Special Notes: Program is self-supporting through donations and grants. Began in June 2009 and serves an average of 135-145 patrons a week.

First Church of God

Contact: Brad Miller
Address: 1200 West Depoy Drive (US Highway 30 & West Lincoln Highway)
Columbia City, IN 46725
Phone Number: (260) 244-5959
Hours of Operation: Thursday 10am-12pm
Website: www.firstchurchconnect.com

Services: Non-food pantry that provides clothing, toiletries, cleaning supplies, and diapers to people who obtain a voucher from Welfare, WIC, Healthy Families and other similar organizations.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church

Contact: Dave Hockerman

Address: 204 North Main Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-7118

Email: office.gracelutheran@gmail.com

Hours of Operation: Wednesday and Friday 12-2pm

Website: www.gracecolumbiacity.org

Services: Food pantry and offers food vouchers for the Community Harvest Food Bank.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

Special Notes: On Wednesdays the bank takes food vouchers from 4-6pm.

South Whitley Area Emergency Food Bank

Contact: Mimi Dominy

Phone Number: (260) 212-2964

Address: 207 E Front Street, South Whitley, IN 46787

Hours of Operation: Tuesday 6-8pm. Other times available by appointment.

Service: Food pantry available to South Whitley area residents. Food deliveries available upon request.

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes

St. Paul of the Cross Catholic Church

Contact: Jerry Hollenbaugh

Address: 315 S Line Street, Columbia City, IN 46725

Phone Number: (260) 244-5723

Hours of Operation: Monday 10am-12pm

Services: food pantry

Volunteer Opportunities: Yes



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