

UNITED WAY | JONES COUNTY VOLUNTEER CENTER

Jones County Volunteer Center's (JCVC) mission is to engage people of all ages in volunteer services that meet critical community needs, benefit citizens of Jones County, and provide volunteers meaningful experiences. JCVC maintains partnerships with a variety of nonprofits in Jones County in order to assist community members in finding the perfect volunteer opportunity.

JCVC volunteers help with the following direct service programs:



Elderly Outreach Assisted Transportation Program

Using their personal vehicles, volunteers drive senior clients, age 55+, to non-emergency medical appointments outside of Jones County.



Emergency Volunteer Center (EVC)

After a number of natural disasters in Jones County, the EVC formed with the support of a local radio group. EVC volunteers help their neighbors during a disaster.



Days of Service

JCVC offers a variety of Days of Service to recognize local nonprofits with volunteer projects such as baking for local law enforcement, yard clean up, painting, supply drives, and more. Days of Service occur throughout the year for any group of volunteers looking to give back to their community.



Jones County Food Bank Assistance

Volunteers assist families who visit Jones County food pantries.



Senior Health Insurance Information Program (SHIIP)

Volunteers offer free counseling on Medicare, Medicaid, and marketplace options. Jones County seniors can schedule money-saving appointments by calling 2-1-1 or 866-469-2211.



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA)

Trained and certified volunteers provide free tax preparation for individuals and families with annual income less than \$54,000. Taxpayers who qualify for VITA's services can schedule appointments January–March by calling 2-1-1 or 866-469-2211.

For opportunities in Jones County, visit uweci.org/volunteernow.
Follow us on Facebook at Jones County Volunteer Center.

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Volunteers made a difference in FY16:

- Volunteers with the Elderly Outreach Assisted Transportation Program gave **195** Jones County residents **693** rides to appointments and traveled more than **70,836** miles.
- SHIIP counseled **153** clients on Medicare — saving them more than **\$24,600** collectively.
- VITA helped **147** taxpayers receive maximum returns. The program returned **\$236,271** for Jones County residents.
- In May, JCVC participated in the annual **Day of Caring**, a nationwide United Way initiative, by connecting volunteers with community service projects. Past projects in Jones County have included Camp Courageous, Jones County Senior Dining Sites, Starlighters Theatre, Jones County Safe & Healthy Youth Coalition, and more.
- During their **Day of Service**, JCVC volunteers served **144 hours total**, equal to six days. Projects included food prep, yard clean up, distributing “alcohol free graduation” signs, assisting with mailings for HACAP, and more!



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Volunteers drove clients more than

193,000 miles

to appointments. That's equal to

49 times

around the earth!



Each SHIP volunteer gave nearly

100 hours

of their time — equal to

2.5 weeks

of work for a full-time employee.



Volunteer Income Tax Assistance clients received

\$510,147

in total Federal Tax Refunds.

In total, that could pay for

37 years

of home mortgage payments.



Volunteers logged

10,030 hours

OR **1 year**

& 51 days

of donated time.

**Data totaled from tax years 2013-15.*

**Data and statistics above are totaled from FY14-16.*