

REFLECTIONS



Family Pathways Volunteer Quarterly Newsletter



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The Reflections Newsletter is a quarterly publication for all volunteers and the community. Its purpose is to inform readers about upcoming volunteer opportunities and appreciation.



Message from Volunteer Manager

As an organization committed to inspiring acts of volunteerism, Family Pathways celebrates National Volunteer Week (NVW) from April 21-27, 2024. We shine a light on the over 1,287 volunteers that contributed 60,808 hours in roles throughout the last year.

Volunteers are the heart and hands of Family Pathways. Their generous donation of time, and energy make our programs possible. From individuals to civic groups and corporations, volunteers are the service multipliers who grow our capacity to get our clients what they need daily.

Volunteers do so much for our community. We cannot thank them enough for their dedication and support.

Brooke Zank | Volunteer Manager



Spotlight Recognition



Angie Smith, (14 years) St. Croix Thrift Store

The Together as Family Volunteer Award for 2024 goes to our Volunteer Angie Smith who has been with us for 14 years at the thrift stores. Angie is an extremely loyal and hard-working individual who loves volunteering for Family Pathways. She primarily helps with sorting donated product and merchandising the sales floor, and is willing to take on any task at hand. She is friendly with all of the customers and always helpful. When not volunteering Angie spends time with her chickens, plants, works in her raspberry patch during the summer, and also loves a good meat raffle.



Jeremiah White, Youth Director New Hope Community Church in Cambridge and Isanti

How long have you been a board member of Family Pathways?

I'm a new board member and have volunteered at the Cambridge Food Shelf for almost nine years.

What is your background?

I am a Youth Director at New Hope Community Church in Cambridge and Isanti.

What do you like most about being part of the board?

I like being part of the board because now I can help reach more individuals and families in our service areas.



Ronald Duke, (9 years) Cambridge Food Shelf and Board Member

Ron who is a volunteer and one of our Board members completed 1,610 volunteer hours this year. We appreciate all of his hard work and dedication to our clients and the community.



Sharon Murzyn, (24 years) Forest Lake Food Shelf

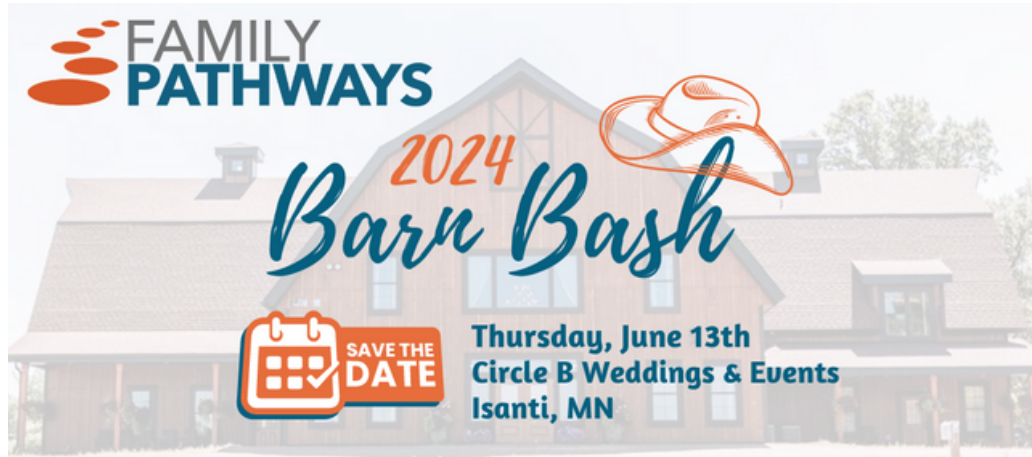
We greatly appreciate Sharon for all that she has done over the years at the food shelf. She has a true spirit for giving back and always lending a helping hand. Thank you Sharon!



Quarterly Spotlight Winner Robert Hoehne, Frederic Food Shelf

Thank you Robert for going above and beyond for our clients and team in Frederic. You care about the people in the community and help wherever needed.

Volunteer Updates



Partner with us to raise funds for our:

- 9 food shelves & mobile food pantry providing 1,831,592 meals to people
- Assistance for older adults to live independently and supportive resources for caregivers
- Safety for 2,115 domestic violence survivors through emergency shelter and support services
- Family connection through Parenting Time Services

Early Bird Tickets go on Sale April 15th!

Cocktail Hour, Silent Auction, Fund-a-Need and More
 Dinner provided by Route 65 Catering
 Casual dress...it's a Barn Bash after all!
 More information can be found at FamilyPathways.org

**A Benefit to Build and Celebrate Community!
 Become a sponsor today!**



Volunteer Opportunities

We are currently looking for volunteers in the following programs:

Thrift Stores: Hinckley, Princeton, Lindstrom and St Croix

Food Shelves: Onamia, Sandstone, Pine City and Frederic

Service Group Events- all thrift stores, food shelves and shelter



Volunteers come from all walks of life, backgrounds, service groups, businesses, youth groups, and educational systems. Some are brought to our agency through the court system to complete community service hours. We strive to provide everyone with an opportunity to contribute.