

SCFL Community Services Committee Report for Monday - 20 February 2023

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2023 WI State AFL-CIO Community Services Conference

The 2023 Conference will be held at the Madison Concourse Hotel from March 23rd thru the 25th. There will be a community services project, at the hotel, on that Thursday morning. The official call letter has been sent to all Locals affiliated with the State AFL-CIO. In addition, that information was included with this meeting notice and is on the SCFL.org website.

National Association of Letter Carriers Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive is Back

This very important food drive - the largest single day collection of food in the nation - is back! It will be held on Saturday, May 13th. The logistics are just being worked out now but we will need volunteers. This involves a lot of heavy lifting so please be aware of your own limitations and restrictions. Locations and times are not set yet so mainly wanted to give you a "heads up" that this is happening and your assistance will be appreciated.

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). For Dane County employees, this is the source for opportunities where you can "invest" your newly allowed/granted eight hours of volunteer time annually. Do let me know if you need help finding something of interest.

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 24 hours a day, every day. The entire state is covered 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 from your own home, so please let me know if you're interested.

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We would like to encourage all Locals to form Community Services Committees. Let us know if you need help. This is of particular interest to me so please don't hesitate to ask for assistance!

Also just getting out and volunteering is important so if people have ideas for projects, please let us know!

