

Giving DuPage is a public-private partner of DuPage County.

We are aware of the trust placed by the public through the DuPage County Board. We take this responsibility seriously and strive to deliver on the promise of our organization – serving as the County's Volunteer Center, to connect people to local nonprofit organizations. We are grateful to the County leadership and many departments who support our work, as well as volunteer at our events, lending positive energy to our cause.

We are also blessed to partner with over 400 local nonprofit organizations through our work. We feel honored every day for the privilege to support their mission. Finally, we serve the public – families, students, schools, businesses, community and faith groups. The more Giving DuPage is utilized as a volunteer resource, the more we can connect your gifts and purpose to create lasting positive community impact. We are deeply grateful to all those who make our mission possible.

Thank you!



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Our Inspiration ...

“The DuPage Human Race is our opportunity to join forces with like-minded individuals who want to implement positive change. It is when we feel purposeful that we add strength and resilience to our own soul. Your time, talent, and energy has enabled individuals to multiply the effects of their efforts and make change happen. Certainly, it must feel great to empower organizations to make DuPage County ‘a better place for all living things’. Thank you again, for giving DuPage Animal Friends, and our rescue partners, the opportunity to protect and provide for the homeless and innocent, like those who reside in a shelter.
— from a supporter of DuPage Animal Friends

“I wanted you to know that I was so impressed by last Friday’s (nonprofit conference) event. I learned so much from the speakers and look forward to implementing some of the suggestions. Yes, Joan was great! I know all this stuff but she made it crystal clear. Also started reading her book. I have also been speaking with people about what they want from a state agency so I shared some ideas. It was a good conference! So proud of you and your volunteers and such important topics!”
— a Nonprofit Conference Program Partner

“I just wanted to thank you for the amazing conference you and your volunteers put on. It was extremely informative, and I am so excited to relay the information I learned to my organization so we can connect with more people in the community. I look forward to participating in future workshops with you all.”
— staff at Midwest Shelter for Homeless Veterans

“You (Giving DuPage) are a rock star! Volapalooza was such a beautiful event. I would say it was the feel-good event of the season for sure. My volunteers were so grateful and were thanking me and I said ‘NO- thank Giving DuPage!! Keep up the great work. I am in awe of you!’”
— a Volapalooza Program Partner

“Thank you both so much for including me in the Volapalooza event yesterday! I am very excited about the new information that I will be able to share at our church and hopefully spur more (volunteer) involvement. It was very touching to be recognized and I really enjoyed both the speakers AND the breakfast – but most especially the company at our table.”
— Volunteer Honoree from DuPage PADS

The Giving DuPage Board presents the 2018 Annual Report

highlighting a few of our proudest accomplishments. In reflection, we are certainly moved by the outcomes of our programs; and, we recognize the limitation of numbers that cannot convey the effect of our work. So, we also shared notes sent by people who were positively impacted by Giving DuPage programs and events.

Also absent in this report are the many invisible hands and hearts who make our work possible over the course of a year. To list every individual would turn the report into a book of lists or novel. Instead, this board invites you to visit the Giving DuPage website over the next several months, as we strive to honor every partner – in the form of a sponsor, board or committee member, or volunteer. We hold you dearly and with great affection for your generosity to our mission.



Programs to Mobilize Volunteers — Dedicated to connecting YOUR purpose to a LOCAL cause for lasting COMMUNITY impact.

Volunteer Portal featuring 400+

organizations who have posted 775 volunteer & in-kind donation needs

1,514 volunteer connections – an average of 4 volunteers a day connected to a local cause, a 30% increase from the previous year.

1,039 new volunteers – registered at the Portal, which is an increase of 15% over previous year.



We formed a partnership with North Central College and their Center for Social Impact – their site at northcentralcollege.edu/volunteer-portal is a mirror hub of the Giving DuPage site. Through this partnership, thousands of students, faculty and local families will have direct campus access to local volunteer needs through the Giving DuPage Volunteer Portal. In October, over 200 North Central volunteers registered at their newly launched Portal site and responded to 99 volunteer needs.

Since 2006, when the Portal was created, we've generated 9,236 volunteer connections through the site.

16th Annual Giving Guide is a publication we produce in partnership with the Daily Herald featuring over 200 local nonprofit organizations and giving opportunities. It is circulated to DuPage subscribers of the Daily Herald as well as distributed to local libraries and at outreach events.

2018 Circulation was 21,426 and total circulation of the Giving Guide since its inception is 208,029.



Program that Promotes Giving

- 2018 Race raised \$154,947 for 60 local participating charity organizations reaching 1,769 people. DuPage Human Racers increased fundraising by 20% over the previous year.
- We achieved a major milestone this year by well surpassing the half million mark in funds raised through this one event.
- Since we started the race in 2012, the DuPage Human Race has reached 10,332 people and raised \$631,158 for local charities.

Capacity Building Programs – Nonprofit Training

Giving DuPage hosted our 1st ever Nonprofit Conference with 200 attendees from 118 different organizations from the northern Illinois region. The event featured the best local nonprofit leaders and an internationally recognized thought leader, Joan Garry.



116 nonprofit professionals signed up for the NIU Civic Leadership Academy, a partnership with Giving DuPage to offer an accredited nonprofit curriculum. To date, 335 nonprofit professionals have taken courses.

Programs that Helped to Create Awareness for the DuPage Nonprofit Community and the local volunteer need

Outreach Presentations
Giving DuPage conducted 32 outreach presentations and reached 1,368 people, an average of 114 people per month

WDCB Partnership
Giving DuPage continued its partnership with WDCB to shine a light on some local nonprofit organizations and their volunteer needs. The organizations are interviewed and featured in a produced segment on their show 'First Light' – wdcbbfirstlight.org/doing-good. In 2018, Giving DuPage connected 9 local nonprofit organizations to WDCB Radio.



Program that Inspires Community

We honored 144 volunteers at our 6th Volapalooza event in October and have celebrated well over 500 volunteers since the start of this feel-good community event.

