

Local Roots

Description: Local Roots is a Café and Market that features foods and crafts from the farmers and artisans within the local community. The mission of Local Roots is: “To establish a year-round market place for the purpose of connecting consumers and producers of locally grown foods and other agricultural products. Our goals are to encourage healthy eating, expand local economic development, promote community involvement, and sustainable living.”

Volunteer work: Work varies depending on the skills of each volunteer- painting, playing music in the market, working the cash register and more. Members will work with volunteers on projects and ideas generated by the volunteer.

Location: Downtown Wooster, 1.2 miles from campus

140 South Walnut Street

Wooster, OH 44691

Website: www.localrootswoster.com

Contact person: Jessica Barkheimer - jessica@localrootswoster.com

The Wilderness Center

Description: Mission statement- “The Wilderness Center is a non-profit nature center dedicated to connecting our community with nature, educating people of all ages, conserving natural resources, and practicing environmental stewardship.”

Volunteer work: Land Stewardship: Helping maintain the nature center by removing invasive species, collecting prairie seeds, planting native plants and trail clean-up.

Special Event volunteers needed for Native Plant Sale, Enchanted Forest and Birdseed Sale each year. The Wilderness Center can work with volunteers from Tues.-Sat. 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Location: Wilmot, OH- 21.4 miles from Wooster

The Wilderness Center

9877 Alabama Ave. S. W.

Wilmot, OH 44689

Website: www.wildernesscenter.org

Contact person: Vicki Shoefelt – Vicki@wildernesscenter.org

Killbuck Watershed Land Trust

Description: “Dedicated to preserving farmland and open space in the counties of Wayne, Ashland, Richland, Holmes, Coshocton and Tuscarawas. Our main activity is accepting and monitoring conservation easements from farmers and other land holders. We also own two tracts of land in Holmes County which are sites for natural species preservation.”

Volunteer work: No specific projects- willing to work with students to conserve and protect land or any type of project they devise. Land trusts used by biology and geology departments at College of Wooster and OARDC.

Location: Throughout Wayne, Ashland, Richland, Holmes, Coshocton and Tuscarawas counties.

2171-B Eagle Pass

Wooster, OH 44691

Website: <http://www.killbucklandtrust.org>

Contact person: Ronald Holtman - info@killbucklandtrust.org

Habitat for Humanity

Description: Mission statement- "Habitat for Humanity in Wayne County, Inc. works in partnership with God and people from all walks of life to develop communities with God's people in need by building and renovating houses. Habitat in Wayne County is committed to partnership in which the self-esteem of the participating families is enhanced and families can become active contributors to the respective communities."

Volunteer work: Volunteers may help with building houses for the community (work depends on skill level), volunteering at the Restore (a building which sells inexpensive recycled home appliances, sinks, doors, etc), or any number of opportunities. Hours are flexible, restore is open Monday-Saturday and building projects occur throughout the year.

Location: Near downtown Wooster, 2.0 miles from campus.

1451 Spruce Street Extension

Wooster, OH 44691

Website: <http://www.waynehabitat.org>

Contact person: Joanne Leaman - volunteer@waynehabitat.org

Goodwill Stores

Description: "Our mission is to help people reach their highest levels of independence and success through training and employment-related services. We provide training and support to remove the barriers that prevent people from obtaining and keeping stable employment. Goodwill Industries of Wayne and Holmes Counties, has been serving these two communities since 1979. We are a member of Goodwill Industries International, which was founded in 1901."

Volunteer work: Clerical assistance, secret shopping in our retail stores, assistance with major fundraisers (golf outing and poker run), donation drive sponsorship. Volunteer hours are flexible depending on the assignment.

Location: North end of Wooster, 2.4 miles

Store location:

149 West Milltown Road

Wooster, OH 44691-9012

Mailing address:

P.O. Box 1188

Wooster, Ohio 44691

Website: www.woostergoodwill.org

Contact person: Carolyn J. Stefanik - cstefanik@woostetgoodwill.org

Ohio Bluebird Society

Description: Mission statement- "The Ohio Bluebird Society was formed in 1987 to support the return and the perpetuation of the Eastern Bluebird (*Sialia sialis*) and other native cavity nesting birds in Ohio. To this end, the Ohio Bluebird Society will strive for the best methods to sue, conserve and create habitat for the protection of these species."

Volunteer work: The OBS annual conference which is scheduled for Saturday, February 26, 2011 at the Shisler Conference Center at the OARDC; could use help with registration, raffle,

lunches, membership, etc. Volunteers can help with various projects throughout the year, for example- help building a trail with High School students in Kidron, OH and other projects.

Location: Event at OARDC- 2.8 miles from campus

Mailing address:

PMB 111, 343 W. Milltown Road

Wooster, OH 44691

Website: <http://www.ohiobluebirdsociety.org>

Contact person: Marcella Hawkins - info@ohiobluebirdsociety.org

Wayne County Sustainable Energy Network

Description: “The focus of WCSEN is on building awareness, educating the public, and offering resources to assist individuals and organizations in their sustainable energy efforts. Changing how we generate and use energy now will create a better world for future generations.”

Volunteer work: Solar PV installation projects under construction, Alternative energy consultation, Planning and building new office space, Organization and program presentations regarding sustainable energy. Hours are flexible and depend on project.

Location: Varies

Mailing address:

1022 Heyl Road (Co. Rd. 139)

Wooster, OH 44691

Website: <http://www.wcsen.org>

Contact person: Keith Speirs- info@wcsen.org