

# VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

SWEM Community Services (Southwest Ecumenical Ministries) has several volunteer needs both for short term and long term help.

On a short-term level, we are looking for people who would be able to work on the **Christmas Basket Program**. We need people to man (or lady) the telephone at our SWEM office at 350 Chili Avenue to handle telephone requests from families. The dates and times are: Nov. 19-21, Nov. 26-30, Dec. 3-7. 10 AM to 2 PM. There is free, off-street parking and you may want to bring a lunch if you are staying the full time. You would need to complete a questionnaire form with the family member over the telephone. The SWEM office manager will be available to answer questions and assist you. Even if you can only give an hour or two, it would be a great help.

The second opportunity to help is for the actual pick up of the baskets, which will take place at the Presbyterian Home on Thurston Road on

Sunday, Dec. 16, 10AM to 3 PM,

Monday, Dec. 17, 10 AM to 6 PM,

Tuesday, Dec. 18, 10 AM to 6 PM.

Families will come to collect their basket; you WILL NOT have to deliver any baskets. This is a very short-term commitment and you can select one or as many days as you are able to help out.

On a long-term level, we are looking for help in packing the **Senior food baskets** one Friday morning per month. This takes place at the SWEM Food Cupboard at the Holy Family Convent Chapel on Jay and Ames Street.

And, for those who like to drive, we are in GREAT need of drivers on one Saturday morning per month to help deliver the Senior food baskets. Our delivery territory is the western part of the city and Monroe County.

If you want more information or if you have a little extra time and would like to help with any of these worthwhile projects, please contact Karen at the SWEM office, 235-4494.

"Many hands make light work" and to that we add "And many hands make happy hearts."

