



## Local Volunteer Agencies

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This list is compiled from students' experiences and is only for your information. The agencies on the list are not necessarily approved or recommended and may not be accepting volunteers at this time. *Students must use their own discretion and initiative to find suitable social work related experiences.*

Agency with Contact Information	Description
Isabella Community Soup Kitchen 621 S. Adams, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 989.772.7392 <a href="mailto:info@icsk.org">info@icsk.org</a> <a href="http://www.isabellacommunitysoupkitchen.org">www.isabellacommunitysoupkitchen.org</a>	The Isabella Community Soup Kitchen provides sustenance and food to low-income populations in Isabella County. Duties include food preparation, washing and/or cutting vegetables, preparing salad ingredients, carrying donated items to weigh and sort, serving patrons hot meals in cafeteria-style line, and cleanup of the facility including sweeping, mopping, and washing dishes. NOTE: Social work students volunteering at ICSK must interact with guests and other volunteers.
Isabella County Commission on Aging 2200 S Lincoln Rd, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 <a href="http://www.isabellacounty.org/departments/commission-on-aging">www.isabellacounty.org/departments/commission-on-aging</a> Contact Kelly Lee for more information at: 989.772.0748 <a href="mailto:klee@isabellacounty.org">klee@isabellacounty.org</a>	The Commission on Aging (COA) provides opportunities to work with the elderly to enhance social and physical well-being. This can include respite care, and time spent with the older adult to provide relief for caregivers. It may also include volunteering at a meal site and/or delivering home-based meals. COA has many opportunities for individuals of all ages to volunteer with older adults through their Gold Key Volunteer Program.
Isabella County Restoration House (ICRH) 120 South Pine Street, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 989.854.0183 <a href="https://www.icrhouse.org/volunteer">https://www.icrhouse.org/volunteer</a>  Email Cindy Hoyle for more information at: <a href="mailto:cindy.hoyle@icrhouse.org">cindy.hoyle@icrhouse.org</a>	ICRH provides opportunities for volunteers to work with individuals who are homeless. Students may be able to assist with intakes when the client first arrives for services. Volunteers may also arrange evening activities, mingle with guests, and attend to guest needs. The shelter is open from November through April. Hours vary, including nights and weekends. NOTE: Social work students volunteering at ICRH must interact with guests and other volunteers.
Laurels of Mt. Pleasant 400 S. Crapo, Mt. Pleasant MI 48858 <a href="http://www.laurelsofmountpleasant.com">www.laurelsofmountpleasant.com</a>  Contact Lynn Larson for more information at: 989.773.5918 <a href="mailto:Mtpleasant_ss@cienafacilities.com">Mtpleasant_ss@cienafacilities.com</a>	The Laurels is a skilled nursing and rehabilitation center offering short-term and extended-stay care for individuals with physical or cognitive limitations. Volunteer opportunities vary with skill level and include shadowing and assisting with completing social histories, psychological assessments, discharge planning, behavior management, care planning, reports, computer notes, and paperwork. Other tasks include recreational activities with residents and meal assistance. Hours vary, including nights and weekends.
Listening Ear 107 E Illinois, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 989.772.2918 <a href="http://www.listeningear.com">www.listeningear.com</a>  Contact Nikki Crouse for more information regarding the Emergency Shelter Program: 989.773.6904 ext.3233 <a href="mailto:ncourse@listeningear.com">ncourse@listeningear.com</a>	Listening Ear is a crisis center operating as a private, nonprofit, United Way human service agency providing services across mid and northern Michigan. The agency serves various populations, including the developmentally disabled. Volunteer opportunities: Weekend Recreation Program: provides activities for people with developmental disabilities and mental health issues. The Crisis Center: Once trained, volunteers answer the crisis lines for about four hours weekly. Training counts toward social work hours. Emergency Shelter Program: Helps people facing homelessness in Isabella and Gratiot counties.
R.I.S.E. Advocacy, Inc. P.O. Box 743, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48804 989.773.0078 <a href="http://www.riseadvocacy.org">www.riseadvocacy.org</a>	R.I.S.E. Advocacy, Inc. works with victims of domestic violence and sexual assault. It provides a safe living environment for the victim, legal advocacy, counseling, and many other supportive services and resources. Volunteers are an integral part of the continued operations. Volunteers may be required to participate in the 20 hours of advocacy training offered every two months. Hours vary and include nights and weekends. Training counts toward social work hours.

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<p>Child Advocacy – Gratiot County  515 N. State St  Alma, MI 48801  989.463-1422  <a href="https://childadvocacy.net/">https://childadvocacy.net/</a></p>	<p>Child Advocacy is a Nonprofit organization with four programs. Our focus areas include Child Abuse and Neglect Prevention, Suicide Prevention, and Substance Abuse Prevention through education, training, and support. We offer internships with all four programs that offer extensive on-site education regarding staff roles and program information, allowing students to gain knowledge and skills for a future career path.</p>
<p>Isabella County Child Advocacy Center (ICCAC)  2479 Rosewood Dr. North, Suite B  Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858  (989) 317-8787  <a href="https://www.isabellacac.org/">https://www.isabellacac.org/</a></p>	<p>ICCAC is a nonprofit organization. The Center primarily serves children in Isabella County who are alleged victims of sexual abuse, physical abuse, or witness to violence. ICCAC brings community agency professionals together to work in a collaborative approach that results in effective, efficient, and child-centered casework.</p>
<p>Mid Michigan Community Action Agency  1574 E Washington Rd  Farwell, MI 48622  989.386.3805  <a href="https://www.mmcaa.org/">https://www.mmcaa.org/</a></p>	<p>Mid Michigan Community Action serves Bay, Clare, Gladwin, Mecosta, Midland, and Osceola counties. They are dedicated to empowering neighborhoods and eliminating poverty. Their services include assistance with food, housing, early childhood education, home energy savings, energy assistance, employment support, homebuyer assistance, and more!</p>
<p>Mid Michigan Industries (MMI)  2426 Parkway Dr  Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 989.773.6918  <a href="https://www.mmionline.com/">https://www.mmionline.com/</a></p> <p>Contact: <a href="mailto:HR@mmionline.com">HR@mmionline.com</a> with questions.</p>	<p>MMI services individuals in Clare, Gratiot, Ionia, Isabella, Mecosta, and Montcalm counties. It is a not-for-profit organization committed to helping people make connections that lead them to meaningful employment, advanced skill enhancement, and greater independence. Volunteer and part-time paid positions that might qualify as social work related experience are available.</p>
<p>Sexual Aggression Peer Advocates (SAPA)  Foust Hall 150, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858  989.774.6677  Office Email: <a href="mailto:sapa@cmich.edu">sapa@cmich.edu</a></p> <p><a href="https://www.cmich.edu/offices-departments/sexual-aggression-peer-advocates/get-involved">https://www.cmich.edu/offices-departments/sexual-aggression-peer-advocates/get-involved</a></p>	<p>SAPA is a nonprofit, volunteer, para-professional student organization under the CMU Sexual Aggression Services Department. SAPA offers a variety of services, including advocacy, education, and outreach focused on issues of sexual aggression to the CMU campus and community. Note: A maximum of 50 hours can be applied to the requirement for social work-related experience.</p>

Additional Agencies – These agencies might also be appropriate for social work-related experiences:

- Adoption Option – PO Box 2225, Midland, (989) 839-0534, <https://adoptionoptioninc.org/>
- Alzheimer's Association – 801 Joe Mann Blvd, Suite P#9, Midland, (989) 859.5307 [www.alz.org/gmc](http://www.alz.org/gmc)
- Clare-Gladwin RESD – 4041 E Mannsiding Rd, Clare, (989) 386-3851, <https://www.cgresd.net/>
- Eagle Village – 5044 175<sup>th</sup> Ave, Hersey, (231) 832-2234, <https://eaglevillage.org/>
- EightCap Community Action – 1114 W High Street, Mt. Pleasant, (616) 236-1027, <https://8cap.org/isabella-county-cs/>
- Gratiot County Hope House – 1001 W. Washington, St. Louis, (989) 681-8486, <https://www.gchopehouse.org/>
- Heartland Hospice - 1627 E. Broomfield St, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858 (989) 772-2541  
<https://www.gentivahs.com/services/hospice-care/heartland-hospice/>
- Midland Child Advocacy – 2716 Jefferson, Midland, (989) 835-9922, <https://www.midlandcac.org/>
- Mt. Pleasant Housing Commission – 1 Mosher St., Mt. Pleasant, (989) 773-3784, <https://www.mtphousing.org/>
- PACE Central Michigan – 1750 E Bellows, Mt. Pleasant, MI 48858, (989) 953-5814, <https://michiganmasons.org/pace-central-michigan/>
- Shelterhouse – 2500 Waldo Ave., Midland, (989) 835-6771, <https://shelterhousemidland.org/>
- Summit Clubhouse – 2120 E Remus Rd, Mt. Pleasant, (989) 317-3330, <https://www.clubhouse-summit.org/>
- Woodland Hospice – MyMichigan Health – 2597 S. Meridian Rd, Mt. Pleasant, (833) 295-2402,  
<https://www.mymichigan.org/locations/profile/woodlandhospicehouse/>

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