



Marion County VOLUNTEER

2022 Annual Report

By the Numbers

January 1—December 31, 2022



Number of
Volunteers:

1,394



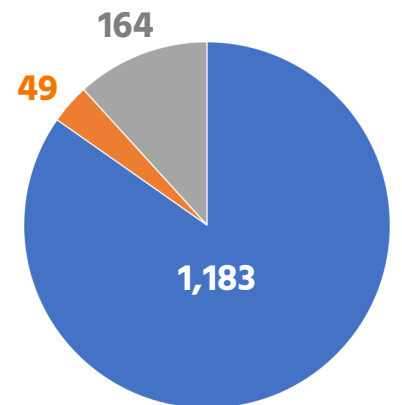
Hours
Served:

56,168



*Value of Hours
Served:

\$1,682,232



Interns, Practicum Students
and AmeriCorp Members

Advisory Board Members

Program Volunteers

*Based on the Independent Sector's 2022 published rate, which values a volunteer's time at \$29.95 per hour. For the purpose of this report, the volunteer hours and their dollar value have been rounded to the nearest dollar.

Marion County recognizes that community members can make great contributions as volunteers in local government. We support and encourage the use of volunteers, where appropriate, to enhance and expand the work of county staff.

2021 was a year of transition and recovery from the impacts of a world-wide pandemic. Volunteer programs used the time to review and realign their program goals and structure. In 2022 we saw our volunteer programs operating much closer to, or above, pre-pandemic levels. For example the number of interns grew from twenty-four students placed in 2019, to forty-seven in 2022. In all, nearly 1,400 volunteers joined us in 2022, making significant contributions to the wellbeing of Marion County.

We are grateful for Marion County volunteers! They strengthen our resolve, inspire us, and help set us on a great path for 2023 and beyond. On behalf of all our volunteers and the 50+ volunteer managers and administrative staff who support them, I'm happy to present the 2022 Volunteer Annual Report.

Sincerely,

Sherry Lintner
Marion County Volunteer Services Coordinator





Board of Commissioners Office

Number of Volunteers: 39 **Volunteer Hours: 400** **Value of Hours: \$11,980**

Volunteer roles: Public Safety Coordinating Council, Policy Intern, Public Defenders of Marion County Inc., Board of Trustees, and Salem Foundation Distribution Committee



Clerk's Office, Finance, Human Resources and Information Technology

Number of Volunteers: 11 **Volunteer Hours: 266** **Value of Hours: \$7,952**

Volunteer roles: Board of Property Tax Appeals, Budget Committee, Compensation Board, GIS Intern



Community Services

Number of Volunteers: 826 **Volunteer Hours: 31,280** **Value of Hours: \$936,850**

Volunteer roles: 4H & Extension Service District Budget Committee, 4-H Leaders & Education Program Volunteers, AmeriCorps RARE Member, Dog Services Volunteers, Fair Board & Key Volunteers, Master Food Preservers, Master Gardeners, Fair Superintendents and Event Volunteers

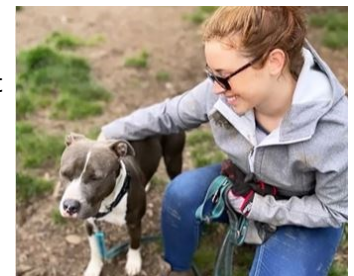
Spotlight: Marion County Fair

The Fair Board and Key Volunteers work year-round to plan and manage the Marion County Fair. They rely on partners and event volunteers to ensure a successful fair. Collectively volunteers manage the barns and 4H activities; food and commercial vendors; carnival and entertainment; sponsorships; competitions and exhibits; special events; facilities and parking; and all financial and budget functions. The 2022 fair welcomed over 26,000 visitors, had record breaking sponsorships, and the Junior Market Auction brought in over \$1M for participating youth. By all measures, the 2022 Marion County Fair was a success. This would not be possible without the leadership and involvement of volunteers!



Spotlight: Dog Shelter

The number of dogs coming into the shelter has steadily increased over the last few years. In 2022 the shelter received a record breaking 1,257 dogs. Standing shoulder to shoulder with staff, hundreds of volunteers donate their time to ensure the dogs in our care get the best possible outcomes. Volunteers help as clinic & shelter assistants, dog walkers, adoption assistants, Dog Day Out hosts, foster providers, and more. Clinic assistants help with the post-operative care for dogs recovering from surgery, freeing up the medical team's time; shelter assistants help with laundry, kitchen & food preparation; 106 volunteers opened their homes to foster a dog, freeing up much needed kennel space; 160+ individuals walk & socialize dogs; and dozens of volunteers assist with adoptions and outreach events. Thanks to these dedicated volunteers, we are able to care and rehabilitate more dogs, successfully reuniting them with their owners or adopting them into a loving home.



District Attorney's Office

Number of Volunteers: 24 **Volunteer Hours: 3,237** **Value of Hours: \$96,941**

Volunteer roles: Interns, Victim Advocates, Sexual Assault Response Advocates

Spotlight: Victim Advocates

Advocates help victims exercise their rights within the criminal justice system. In addition to guiding them through the legal process, volunteer advocates help clients secure protective orders and connect them with housing and other basic needs. Specially trained volunteers accompany victims of sexual assault during their forensic exam. In addition to providing direct services to clients, volunteers increase staff capacity for case management by attending community outreach events, helping with office tasks, and attending grand jury hearings.





Health & Human Services

Number of Volunteers: 78 **Volunteer Hours: 5,905** **Value of Hours: \$176,855**

Volunteer roles: Ambulance Service Area Advisory Committee, Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities Advisory Committee, Intern & Practicum Students, Local Alcohol & Drug Planning Committee, Mental Health Advisory Committee

Spotlight: Local Alcohol and Drug Planning Committee (LADPC)

Members meet monthly to advise and make recommendations on issues related to substance abuse and addiction. They drive a collaborative and effective approach, ensuring better access to services and a comprehensive approach to prevention, education, and advocacy. Members of the LADPC represent the broader community, consumers of services, partners, law enforcement, and treatment providers. The committee works with staff to identify areas of need, specific barriers to services, and system improvements. LADPC members are tireless advocates for individuals in need of addiction services, and for those who provide them.



Juvenile

Number of Volunteers: 5 **Volunteer Hours: 1,117** **Value of Hours: \$33,439**

Volunteer roles: Interns, Practicum Students, and Program Volunteers

Spotlight: Alternative Program Volunteer

Volunteer Charlie G. is committed to helping youth build their vocational and social skills, helping to reduce the chance they enter the adult criminal justice system, and increasing the odds they will find meaningful employment. With Charlie's help, youth in the Alternative Program are able to perform valuable community service while earning money for victim restitution. Charlie has been volunteering since 2015, and was recognized in 2017 with the Judge Rex Hartley Volunteer of the Year Award. Charlie isn't slowing down, and in 2022 he donated over 400 hours working directly with youth to coordinate the firewood component of the program. Charlie worked with youth to process orders, sort, load, and deliver firewood.



Legal Counsel

Number of Volunteers: 1 **Volunteer Hours: 24** **Value of Hours: \$719**

Volunteer roles: Law Library Assistants



Public Works

Number of Volunteers: 190 **Volunteer Hours: 3,520** **Value of Hours: \$105,435**

Volunteer roles: Auxiliary Communications, Community Emergency Response Teams, Environmental Services Event Volunteers, Interns, Marion Resourcers (formerly Master Recyclers), Medical Reserves Corps, Parks Commission, Park Hosts, Planning Commission, Service District Advisory Committees, Solid Waste Management Advisory Committee, Water Quality Advisory Board

Spotlight: Parks Commission

The Parks Commission advise the Board of Commissioners in matters pertaining to county parks and recreation facilities. Their work on Parkdale Park ensures natural play spaces are developed, appropriate amenities are installed, and improvements made will increase accessibility. The Parks Commission also worked alongside staff and county leadership to develop the Santiam Canyon Parks Recovery Plan. While the 2020 Beachie Creek Fire had a devastating impact on our outdoor spaces in the Santiam Canyon, it has presented us with a once in a generation opportunity to forge a new vision for recreation in the Canyon. The plan restores 6 parks impacted by the 2020 wildfires, and anticipates how we recreate today and in the future.





Sheriff's Office

Number of Volunteers: 220 Volunteer Hours: 10,419 Value of Hours: \$312,049

Volunteer roles: Administration & Special Event Volunteers, Cadets, Interns, Faith Based & 12-Step Program Volunteers, Justice Reinvestment Council, Search & Rescue Team, Sheriff's Community Advisory Committee

Spotlight: Search and Rescue (SAR)

Search and Rescue volunteers provide an incredible service to the community, helping both residents and visitors alike. Their service goes beyond the core purpose of the program, and it is not uncommon to find them helping with a variety of community needs. During the ice storm, SAR volunteers provided transportation for hospital staff and assisted with Meals on Wheels deliveries. These volunteers are highly trained, receiving many hours of continuing education each year. SAR members generously give of themselves, taking time away from their families and work to provide a quality, professional service to Marion County and the surrounding area. In 2022 SAR volunteers donated well over 6,000 hours of service.



Spotlight: Administration & Special Event Volunteers

Each year, Sheriff's Office volunteers support events like the World Beat, Marion County Fair, Covered Bridge Community Thanksgiving Dinner, Shop with a Cop, National Night Out, Christmas of Hope, Harvest Fest Parade, and more. One special volunteer, Ginny B., can almost always be found helping at these events! She also provides clerical support for the Concealed Handgun Licensing (CHL) program, sending out renewal letters and scanning records. With 24,500 CHL permit holders in Marion County this is no small task, and her support frees up staff to accommodate more appointments and to focus on other work.



2021 Volunteer Awards

Each year the Marion County Board of Commissioners recognize volunteers for their service. Volunteers are nominated in 5 award categories (Youth Volunteer, Advisory Board Volunteer, Division/Program Award, Outstanding Volunteer Group, and the Judge Rex Hartley Volunteer of the Year). Commissioners Kevin Cameron, Colm Willis and Danielle Bethell presented the 2021 Volunteer Awards at the Marion County Fair in July.

Youth Volunteer of the Year

Olivia Cooper

Advisory Board Volunteer of the Year

Wayne Rawlins (Parks Commission)

Commissioner Mary Pearmine Outstanding Volunteer Group Award

Fair Board and Key Volunteers

Judge Rex Hartley Volunteer of the Year Award

Lorri Lacey

Outstanding Division/Program Volunteers:

Dog Shelter

Pete Oettinger

Emergency Management

Alice & Shawn Daley

Environmental Services

Olivia Cooper

Law Library

Louise Wiltsey

Public Health

Abby Anderson

Victim Assistance

Lorri Lacey



Alice Daly



Abby Anderson



Wayne Rawlins



Fair Board & Key Volunteers



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