

# Blue Water Safe Horizons

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## Volunteer Vibe

**Volunteer today, make your mark on tomorrow!**

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### Welcome Volunteers

We are so excited to begin a Volunteer Newsletter to keep you in touch with what's happening here at Blue Water Safe Horizons. We are still working on the format and welcome your thoughts on items to include in what we hope will be a bi weekly briefing.

As always we cannot thank you enough for all you do to support our mission *to increase awareness of intimate-partner and sexual violence and its effect on the community, and to empower those victimized by providing advocacy and safe and effective services, and to work for social change through education and community collaboration.*

Feel free to send your newsletter ideas into me. We look forward to helping you while you help us!

Warm Regards,

**Kerissa Donaldson**

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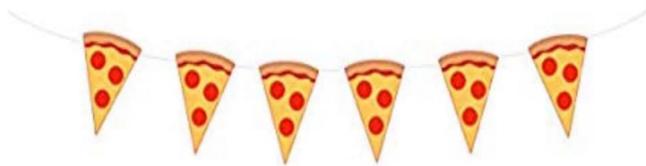
We would like to take a moment to introduce our new volunteer coordinator, Kerissa Donaldson. If you are interested in volunteer opportunities you can reach Kerissa at 810-989-5246 ext. 305 or email her at [volunteer@bwsh.org](mailto:volunteer@bwsh.org).



## Volunteer Appreciation

This year volunteer appreciation week is April 7<sup>th</sup> through April 13<sup>th</sup>. To show our appreciation of you, I would like to invite you to a Meet and Greet on April 8<sup>th</sup> at our Administration office, located at 1530 Pine Grove Ste. 2 Port Huron, MI 48060. We will provide pizza and beverages starting at 6:00 P.M. My initiative is to take this chance to reconstruct relationships we have established in the past while celebrate your dedication to our agency. We cannot pursue or achieve our mission without our volunteers like you! During this event, we will also be awarding the volunteer of the year for 2018.

### Thank You for Being a Pizza of Our Team!



### Special Opportunities!

We have some events we could use your help with. If you or someone you know might be interested in helping out, please let me know!

**Spring Cleaning:** We need as many volunteers as we can get to help us with spring cleaning at the women's shelter.

Location: Carolyn's Place

Date: April 26th, 2019. 8:00am-5:00pm

Tasks include: Deep Cleaning of the shelter, including walls, floors, ceilings, fans, all windows, sanitizing cooking areas from top to bottom, food storage, and removal of excess donations/ debris from basement, Wash building, outdoor toys, rake leaves, and remove yard waste.

**Pet Shelter:** We are in need of volunteers to help us get the pet shelter ready for the summer.

Location: Carolyn's Place

Date: April 26th, 2019. 8:00am-5:00pm

Tasks include: Clean and sanitizes kennels, cages and corrals, sterilizes animals' food and water containers, inventories food and equipment supplies as necessary.

**Walk for Sexual Assault Awareness:** We need volunteers to help register and guide the walkers along the route.

Location: 723 Court Street. Port Huron, MI 48060

Date: April 27th, 2019. Registration starts at 9:00am, the walk begins at 9:30am

As always, we cannot thank you enough for all you already do for our clients. You truly make a difference.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities or are curious about other ways you can make a difference, feel free to contact me!

### Volunteer Spotlight



Giving back feels good—especially when you know that your contribution of time and talent creates opportunities for others to improve their lives. We could not provide the services we do without all of our wonderful volunteers!  
Please look out for our first spotlighted volunteer next issue!

## Our New Website



We are pleased to announce the launch of our updated website!

The website is much more interactive and gives our visitors an easier way to learn about agency activities, services, and community resources.

Amongst the new features, the site now contains a page dedicated to volunteering. As you are out spreading the word about your volunteer experience, please feel free to refer interested people to our website and the volunteer page to access our volunteer application form. All website comments and feedback are appreciated and most welcome. Please let us know if you cannot find something or have any suggestions on how we can improve.

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Carolyn's Place Crisis Hotline      Counseling and Outreach  
888-985-5538                              810-989-5246  
24 Hour Crisis Text  
810-824-7948