



2018 Special Events Calendar

All scheduling is subject to change.

January 1-31

Moody Radio-A-Thon

Sunday, February 11 - 1:00pm

MorningStar Mission Ladies Tea

Ladies Tea event at Jacob Henry Mansion. For event details and tickets, call Eloise at MorningStar Mission.

Tuesday, February 13 - 8:30am - 11am

Easter Sign Up - 2017 Christmas/Thanksgiving basket recipients ONLY

Need 2 volunteers to help register families for Easter food baskets

Friday & Saturday, February 23 & 24 - 10:00am - 9:00pm

Joliet Chamber of Commerce Spring Expo 2018

Louis Joliet Mall - Volunteers needed for 2 hour time slots both days.

Tuesday, March 27 - 8:00am-11:30am

Easter Basket Distribution

Need 20 volunteers to distribute food baskets to needy families at MorningStar Mission.

Friday & Saturday, May 4 & 5

Tag Day

Friday 4-6pm; Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm Need 40-60 volunteers to fill 2 hr. time slots to collect donations at local intersections.

Tuesday, June 12 - 8:00am-3:00pm

Jump on the Bus Registration

Need 10 adult volunteers and 2 Spanish interpreters to help families register for school supplies and clothes.

June 18-21 - 9:00am - 3:00pm

Jump on the Bus Data entry

Need 10 volunteers daily to do data entry to complete the registration for JOTB.

Tuesday, August 14 - 8:30am-11:30am

Jump on the Bus Distribution

Need 15 volunteers to distribute school supplies and clothes to needy families.

Friday, August 17

New Lenox Rotary Club Golf Outing

Green Garden Country Club

Please contact Eloise Crabb for event details and sponsorship sponsorship opportunities. Need 3 volunteers to help with set-up/registration

Thursday, September 6

Volunteer Banquet

Dinner 6pm at MorningStar Mission to honor our valued volunteers.

Tuesday, September 18 - 8:30am -12pm

Early Thanksgiving/Christmas Registration

Need 10 adult volunteers & 2 Spanish interpreters to help families register.

October 1-3 - 8:00am-noon & 12:30pm-4:00pm

Thanksgiving /Christmas Registration

Need 15 adult volunteers and 2-4 Spanish interpreters each day

October 9-12 - 9:00am - 3:00pm

Stars of Hope Data Entry

Need 10 volunteers daily to do data entry of gift info for Stars of Hope program

October & November

Need donors to adopt families for our Stars of Hope program (Christmas gifts). We also need groups to help pack outfits, gifts and food boxes. Call to arrange a date for your group.

TBD November

Radio-A-Thon

Thursday, November 15 - 9:00 - 11:00am

Shop with a Sheriff Registration

Need 3-5 volunteers to help register families for shopping experience.

Tuesday, November 20 - 8:00am-11:30am & 12:30pm-4:00pm

Thanksgiving Food Basket Distribution

Need 40 volunteers to distribute food baskets to needy families at MorningStar Mission.

Friday, November 23

Christmas Parade

Prior to this date we are looking for a group to create a float for the Joliet Christmas Parade. The group who creates will support our 180 men as they walk the parade and hand out goodies.

Saturday, December 1 - 8:00am-2:00pm

Shop with a Sheriff

Need 15-20 adult volunteers to wrap Christmas gifts and serve lunch for at-risk-youth.

Saturday, December 8 - 9:30am-2:00pm

New Lenox Police Cares

Need 6-8 adult volunteers to wrap Christmas gifts and serve lunch

December 10-14th - 9:00am- 4:00pm

Warehouse Christmas Cross Check

Need 20 adult volunteers to check Christmas wish and needs list to ensure all families are accounted for and bags are sealed for transport.

Sunday, December 16 - 12:00pm-4:00pm

Load Trucks at Warehouse

Need 20-30 adult volunteers to load semi-trucks with bags of Christmas gifts at our warehouse. Volunteers need to be able to lift up to 75 lbs for this event.

Tuesday, December 18 - 8:00am- noon & 12:30pm -4:00pm

Christmas Gift & Food Distribution

Need 60 volunteers to distribute Christmas gifts & food to needy families at MorningStar Mission. This is very physical work that is mainly performed outside in the elements.

General on-going Volunteers Needed:

- ◆ *Mentors for Men and Women - Minimum six month commitment*
- ◆ *Drivers for Men and Women - Minimum six month commitment*
- ◆ *New Lenox & Joliet Thrift Store Help (sorting, cleaning, stocking shelves)*
- ◆ *Meal Service Times: Breakfast 6:00am-8:00am, Lunch 11:00am-1:00pm, and Dinner 4:00pm-6:00pm.*
- ◆ *Other areas of need: office workers for mailings, tutoring, teaching support*

First level volunteer training/workshops held monthly - All volunteers interacting directly with our guests require this training which includes interviews and a background check. Please inquire about the next available workshop time.

Please contact the Volunteer Coordinator @ 815-722-5780 x 228 or email volunteercoordinator@morningstarmission.org