
COMMUNITY JUSTICE

YOUTH COURT

The TimeBank Youth Court was created in 2005 to help break the destructive cycle of arrest and detention that can limit options as youth become adults. The Youth Court provides an alternative to the juvenile justice system so young people can willingly take responsibility for their actions, make amends, and build healthy, productive relationships – creating a safer, more caring community.

Involvement in the Youth Court has the proven potential to enhance community climate and increase support for each young person and his or her family. In the Youth Court model, needs are nurtured by addressing strengths. The goal is to keep young people engaged in programs of interest; while building skills, work experience, and overall capacity. The TimeBank Youth Court is underway in all four Madison High Schools.

ADULT PEER COURT

In 2013, we began initiatives addressing restorative justice in adult populations, working with the Madison Municipal Judge to pilot a program running an adult peer court based on our Youth Court model. Homeless adults committing municipal violations may be referred to the peer court, where they are given the opportunity to avoid the formal system. All participants will be introduced to the TimeBank network and provided meaningful opportunities for community involvement.

BUILDING A HUMAN-SCALED ECONOMY

Since 2011, the Dane County TimeBank – joining forces with Madison Hours – has been evaluating how we can better apply cooperative economic tools to strengthen our local communities.

We are currently working on ways to connect timebanking and mutual credit with other types of cooperative resource management to increase the effectiveness and sustainability of these systems, while building economic and social benefits for the community.

Learn more about the most current developments at blog.timeftw.org.

CONTRIBUTE TODAY!

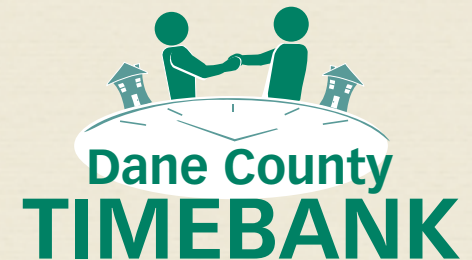
All programs operate by the direct support of the community. To contribute your time and talents or to invest in any of these community initiatives, please visit our website or contact us directly for more information.

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COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Projects initiated through the Dane County TimeBank provide solutions for challenges identified by the community as unmet needs. Involvement with a community project is one way to make connections in the TimeBank, while supporting vital services. We encourage the participation of organizational and individual members in supporting these innovative projects. TimeBank staff are available for consultation to build similar initiatives in your community.

ALLIED COMMUNITY CO-OP

The co-op brings together organizations and neighbors working in the Allied neighborhood as partners in identifying resources and creating activities and programs that residents want for their community. The emerging co-op has already helped to facilitate programs such as Mothers in the Neighborhood, container gardening, neighborhood theater, and green carts selling fresh produce to residents in this neighborhood that is without a grocery store.

The co-op is now focusing on PowerTime II, a project to build capacity for neighbors by providing door-to-door consulting in energy conservation, building partnerships and skills to weatherize living spaces, and to establish a solar energy installation program moving into the future.

MAXINE'S TIMEBANK STORE

At Maxine's TimeBank Store, members are able to exchange TimeBank Hours for new and gently used clothing, books, jewelry, toys, home decor, housewares, small appliances, and other supplies. TimeBank members are welcome to shop at Maxine's Store located in the heart of the Allied Dunn's Marsh Neighborhood. Donate your gently-used items for TimeBank credit or earn TimeBank Hours helping to staff our store. Please visit our website – danecountytimebank.org – for store location, current hours, and more.

INCLUSIVE COMMUNITY

The Dane County TimeBank is a place for all people to contribute their time and talents while making connections in the community - age, ability, ethnicity, and other experience enhance the rich fabric of our network. Instead of separating our community into those who need and those who provide, the Dane County TimeBank values reciprocity and the dignity of being able to contribute to the community. Every human being matters. Valuable support from Dane County Department of Human Services – Developmental Disabilities Unit has provided the funding to build our community's capacity to open opportunities for meaningful contribution and increased access to connections for all people throughout Dane County.

WELLNESS PROJECT

The Wellness Project is a collaborative effort of the Dane County TimeBank and community partners dedicated to providing opportunities to improve the health of our community through quality meals, companionship, information to enable healthy living, and access to essential services. The Wellness Project seeks to provide comprehensive health services that support the whole person and the greater community. We are working on creating innovative models for health and wellness services with fewer obstacles and more possibilities.



MEDICAL TRANSPORTATION

Drivers for medical transportation help those people in need of rides for health related appointments access safe, affordable rides. Drivers receive TimeBank Hours for time driving and a modest stipend for gas. Our current program is funded by Dane County Transportation Services, providing rides to those receiving kidney dialysis. We are looking at ways to expand our medical transportation services and to connect those who are more isolated with our Neighborhood Care Teams.

NEIGHBORHOOD CARE TEAMS

Neighborhood Care Teams gather the available resources in an area to help people meet their basic needs - such as assistance around the house, access to healthy food, help with transportation, companionship, and other basic services. We are increasing our capacity to connect neighbors with neighbors in a network of mutual support. In 2013, an initiative was begun in Sun Prairie and the surrounding area to build a model for Neighborhood Care Teams that can be used in other communities.

