

Dear Friends:

Thank you for your interest in volunteering to share your time and talent with the patients and families at Helen DeVos Children's Hospital. We welcome the opportunity to work with you to coordinate and facilitate your visit with pediatric patients.

Due to the many diverse requests we receive and our goal to provide the highest quality activities for the children and their families, groups must be reviewed and scheduled through Child Life Services. Although we truly appreciate your thoughtfulness, we are unable to accommodate all requests. Completion of the attached application does not guarantee acceptance or scheduling.

If you are interested in volunteering on a regular basis, please contact Volunteer Services at (616) 391-8194, or at [helendevoschildrens.org/volunteer](http://helendevoschildrens.org/volunteer).

Consideration will be given to those events that are:

- Unique (we can only accommodate so many similar activities)
- Appropriate for the ages of our patients (ranging from infants through teens)
- Physically and emotionally safe
- Appropriate for the condition of our patients and for our space
- Religiously and politically neutral

Please read the attached guidelines carefully before submitting an application. After we receive your completed application, we will contact you to schedule your visit or to suggest other opportunities for involvement.

Sincerely,

The Child Life Department  
Helen DeVos Children's Hospital  
616-267-1983

**PLEASE NOTE: Community visits and events are greatly restricted during the months of January through April. This is due to the increased numbers of isolated patients with flu and respiratory illnesses. Thanks for your understanding.**