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Hello Friends,

RSVP of Genesee, Lapeer and Shiawassee Counties has been notified by the United Way of Genesee County that there are unmet needs in our area with regards to the water crisis. Water delivery is NOT the issue, as there are MANY people from all over the state and country who are coming to Flint to assist in the delivery of water and canvassing neighborhoods; for that we are all extremely grateful. There is a "rhythm" of assistance going on nationally and locally that cannot be measured. We need your help with processing volunteers and record keeping.

The Volunteer Resource Center here in Flint is in DIRE need of help. One of the unmet needs is for local people to assist in processing the volunteers who are coming here in droves! So many of the volunteers (and groups) who come are only able to give a day of service, so we need locals who can commit to one half day a week to assist at the Volunteer Resource Center in processing those volunteers. Each person who comes to the Resource Center to volunteer needs a computerized background check done and sex offender registries completed on them before they can volunteer. This is extremely time consuming and the United Way and Red Cross (partners in the Flint water crisis) do not have the manpower to handle all of the extra work load. (Remember...100% of all cash donations are going directly to the relief efforts.)

Another water crisis need is at the GCCARD (Home Delivered Meals; [Meals on Wheels]) office assisting with general office work and record keeping. They have been hit hard with massive amounts of extra paperwork in keeping track of and assisting our homebound and vulnerable citizens get water and filters that they need.

The Flint water crisis does not have an easy fix nor will it be a quick fix. We all have to be in this together!! I challenge neighboring residents who have not been affected by the water crisis (and you may be one of them) to please consider joining in the effort to help Flint residents get through this nightmare of a journey they are on. Every hour donated matters!

Help is needed 7 days a week. A shift consists of either:

9a-1:30p or 1:30p-5p.

Would you mind sharing these needs with your networking sites and volunteers? Many corporations encourage their employees to volunteer and actually allow time each month to provide community service; this is an opportunity they won't regret! **Potential volunteers (or volunteer groups) can reach me at the number below or email me and I will give them the contact information to assist in this very important endeavor.**

Thank you for your time!

With Warmest Regards...

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