



Back-to-School Challenge!

Join us in August for a Challenge Match for back-to-school gear! The Ryder-Faulstich Foundation is generously matching up to \$7,500 for kids shoes, backpacks, supplies and mental health support for the coming school year. Visit our website to donate.

Volunteers Needed: Ignite Program for Middle School Students

We are in the early stages of developing a new program for teens with anxiety. This program is different than other programs because teens with anxiety rarely want to attend classes for anxiety because the thought of it makes them anxious. We are looking to approach it from a fun angle. We will be offering dual purpose classes that teach a fun life skill (that can be used as an anxiety coping activity) along with some helpful coping skills.

For example, one of the classes we would like to do is a calligraphy and journaling class where kids can learn calligraphy and brush lettering techniques as well as doing some journaling. They will also have short lessons on people pleasing, coping skills, boundaries, value/worth, relationship skills, and learning to build friendships. Class sizes will be 5-10 middle school students.

The classes will be at Saline Middle School at 3:00 (right after school) one day a week for 8 weeks beginning the week of September 22nd. We are looking for volunteers who could lead these classes. You would need to be proficient enough in the fun life skill activity to be able to teach it well to beginners. Ideally, we are looking for people with any of the following life skills:

- Crocheting
- Calligraphy
- Pilates and strength training
- Visual arts (i.e. photography, videography, graphic design)
- Any similar skill that a middle schooler would be excited to learn and participate in

If you fit this description and are interested in leading a class, please contact CMyers@SalineSocialService.com.

August 2026 Thank You News

Career Development Workshop

Our resume workshop helped several people improve their job searching skills and update their resumes for modern job search methods. Niemah Verdun, HR professional, taught three classes on various job searching techniques. We wish all of the students luck in their careers!

"Throughout July, SASS Job Search Workshops focused on helping participants strengthen their job search strategies and build confidence in today's competitive job market. Attendees explored topics including resume optimization, interviewing techniques, networking strategies, and leveraging AI and online tools to enhance their job search and professional brand."

-Niemah Verdun, Workshop Instructor

Watch our website for the next workshop in September.



Mark Your Calendar!

Back-to-School Challenge

Going on now!

Meijer Double Match Day

September 13 at Ann Arbor-Saline Meijer

SAVE THE DATE! Fall Ball Fundraiser

October 3, 2026, 5:30pm - 10pm

Volunteer Opportunities

Interested in helping at the pantry this month? There are still several open shifts for shopping assistants and the warehouse. Scan the QR code to view open times and sign up for a slot.



Please be sure to wear closed-toe shoes while volunteering this summer!

Volunteer of the Month: Kim Kaster

Today, we want to say a huge thank you to Kim Kaster. Kim is a Warehouse Worker and Meijer Shopper. We are so thankful to have volunteers like Kim who help us continue our mission to provide for our community! Thank you!



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Do you need help finding a job after graduation? Get help with resume writing and job searching in our weekly course. The next session starts in September, watch our website for the latest details.

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"I gained a great deal of confidence and was able to role play interview scenarios. Thanks to this, I landed the next interview and got the job!"
- Michelle, a former attendee

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