## If you ask a Willing Hearts Volunteer why they give their time they'll probably say:

Someone asked us. We almost automatically respond when someone tells us that we are needed. We are motivated by our view of the world – to try to improve the quality of life in The Caldwells. We are looking for the external recognition and internal good feeling that comes with volunteering. We have untapped skills that can be used by volunteering with Willing Hearts. We actively enjoy the kind of work that volunteering entails: it's fun for us. We enjoy the social situation, and value the contacts with other volunteers, consignees, staff members and shoppers. This is often true for people who don't work outside the home, and don't have the daily social contact that such work brings with it – seniors, stayat-home moms, etc. Perhaps, most importantly, it makes us all feel needed and useful.





## We are all volunteers!

Willing Hearts Consignment Shop is managed and fully staffed by volunteers for the benefit of the Rotary Club of the Caldwells and its various projects and charities. We're always on the lookout for dynamic and friendly people to help provide great customer service and an outstanding thrifting experience in our shop. Volunteers will accept merchandise consignment and donations. They may also assist customers at our fitting rooms, refill and organize our clothing racks, jewelry cases, furs, accessories, decor and housewares shelves. And they will work with staff on a wide variety of special projects. Each volunteer is trained to have knowledge of each area of the shop, and each person's volunteer experience can be tailored to their personal skills and interests.

Volunteering at Willing Hearts can be a great way to develop skills, learn more about career options, make friends, or even just shake up your routine. Yet Willing Hearts volunteers rarely speak of the benefits of volunteering to themselves — maybe it feels a bit too self-centered, or too far from the altruistic vision of the selfless volunteer. But who says that doing good and enjoying yourself can't happen at the same time? And don't forget that sometimes it just feels good to be valued; as a volunteer you can contribute unique skills, experiences, and perspectives. Volunteering can be a fun, meaningful way to make new friends. New to the community? Looking to branch out socially? Simply looking for something to do with new people? Volunteer and get to know others who care about the same issues that you do. Last, but most certainly not least, volunteering is one of the best ways we know of to make a difference in your community. Whatever your passion, however you get involved, volunteering offers a way to have a real and lasting impact on the world.

