

AmeriCorps Seniors Lifetime Impact Volunteer

Ed Hansen

RSVP of Rock County



Stepping up whenever he is needed and going above and beyond what anyone could expect, Ed Hansen has served numerous roles and assisted multiple programs with RSVP of Rock County since starting as an AmeriCorps Seniors volunteer in 2006.

Ed serves as a Seniors Volunteering for Seniors Driver, taking senior clients to doctor appointments and other necessary appointments. Ed has many SVS clients, and he makes sure they have the help they need while they are out. He always does a little extra to make sure they are well taken care of and ensure their safety, lending an arm for support, carrying in groceries, and even shoveling the snow off their steps. When his clients are unable to go out, Ed is known to pick up and deliver durable medical equipment or pick up grocery items and take them to the client if they are sick.



Ed has been a member of the RSVP of Rock County board since 2006. He is currently serving as the board president and has served on many different committees over the years. Ed is actively involved in supporting RSVP of Rock County in ways big and small, ranging from attending all fundraising and special recognition events to taking care of their office repairs and assembling new items.

Seniors Volunteering for Seniors Program Director Patty Hansberry describes that “there are so many people that benefit from Ed and the services he provides. He always has a smile or a laugh to share, but most of all Ed, touched their life.”

In addition to his service with RSVP of Rock County, Ed actively volunteers with United Way Blackhawk Region, Clinton Library, Salvation Army, and First Baptist Church of Beloit. He also serves as a board member with Meals on Wheels of Beloit, delivering meals every week with his wife.

Patty Hansberry describes how “one day, I heard Ed talk about his day. First, he came to RSVP to sign checks, then he was going to help a SVS client get groceries and get her booster shot. After that he was going to visit shut-ins and give communion to homebound church members. All of Ed’s days are like this he’s always very busy but will find time for the programs close to his heart. In my eyes he is a hero.”

