



Kidney Foundation of Ohio Volunteer Opportunities

COMMITTEES

RENAL SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE

Event Description

- This conference addresses the latest issues and trends in dialysis and transplantation, and participants can visit with exhibitors to see the latest products and services related to kidney diseases. Continuing Education Units (CEUs) will be available for dietitians, nurses, social workers, dialysis technicians and transplant coordinators.
- Conference takes place over a Thursday & Friday in September from 8:00am-5:00pm in Westlake, OH.

Committee Details

- Meet once a month via Zoom in the evenings
- Help identify topics and speakers for the conference
- Provide feedback on event details and logistics
- Attend or volunteer at event
- Assist in securing event sponsorship if possible

HARVEST WALK COMMITTEE

Event Description

- Family-friendly event featuring a one-mile walk through Mapleside Farms orchard. Participants enjoy healthy snacks, the opportunity to visit with local health organizations, giveaways, DJ, balloon artist, face painting & more.
- Event takes place on a Sunday in September from 8:00am-11:00am at Mapleside Farms in Brunswick, OH.

Committee Expectations

- Monthly conference calls from roughly April-September
- Start a Team and promote event to friends, family, etc. to encourage registration
- Solicit in-kind donations for auction and raffles
- Provide feedback on event logistics
- Walk/run or volunteer at event
- Assist in securing event sponsorship or workplace donation/fundraiser if possible

GALA COMMITTEE

Event Description

- Guests enjoy cocktails, dinner, live entertainment, and silent and live auctions. The Person of the Year award is presented to a physician for their dedication and commitment to both the field of nephrology and the mission of the Kidney Foundation of Ohio.
- Event takes place on the first Saturday in March from 6:30-10:30pm at a venue in downtown Cleveland, OH.

Committee Details

- Meet once a month from roughly November-February (via Zoom or in-person)
- Promote event to friends, family, etc. to encourage attendance
- Solicit in-kind donations for auction and raffles
- Provide feedback on event logistics
- Attend or volunteer at event
- Assist in securing event sponsorship if possible

SUMMER SOIREE COMMITTEE

Event Description

- Casual summer event where guests enjoy hors d'oeuvres, dinner, drinks, live music, raffles and a silent auction at the water-front venue
- Event takes place at the end of July at a water-front venue in Cleveland, OH.

Committee Details

- Meet once a month in the evenings from roughly April-July
- Promote event to friends, family, etc. to encourage attendance
- Solicit in-kind donations for auction and raffles
- Sell 50/50 raffle tickets prior to event
- Provide feedback on event details and logistics
- Attend or volunteer at event
- Assist in securing event sponsorship if possible

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

- Review applications for the Educational Scholarship given out to a kidney patient, or child of a patient, to help achieve their academic goals and complete a college or technical school education.
- Typically, 5-10 applications to review in May, and a Zoom meeting to select recipient(s) in June.

EVENT DAY VOLUNTEERS

- Assist at a special event with registration, selling raffle tickets, or anything else we should need. These are one day opportunities.

HOST A FUNDRAISER

- Hold a fundraiser at your workplace, or with family and friends. These fundraisers can be to collect money, gift cards, or basic need items. Gift cards and basic need items will be distributed throughout the year to patients, and during our Giving Tree Program in December.

HEALTH FAIR VOLUNTEER

- Attend health fairs and other events in the community where KFO is invited to have a table and pass out literature and resources to community members.

SHARE YOUR STORY

- Allow KFO to “interview” you in regards to your relation to kidney disease to share on our website, social media channels, and via email. This opportunity could lead to your story being shared via news outlets.

WRITE A BLOG POST

- Do you have expertise on a topic related to kidney disease or transplant, caring for a kidney patient, a kidney-friendly diet? We’d love to feature an interview, story, or topic on our blog and social media.