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By **Marklund**  
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## Marklund Seeks Volunteers at Housewares Show Need Volunteers to Help Downtown at International Housewares Show

The International Housewares Show is held at McCormick Place every year in March. Many of the vendors from the show donate all of their left over products to five Chicagoarea non-profit organizations; Marklund is fortunate to be among those chosen, but we have to go pack up the items we want. The products received by Marklund are used in many ways: in Marklund group homes, its resale store (from which Marklund averages \$25,000 in sales), in prize packages for the annual Dinner Auction, Golf Outing, and Volunteer Recognition Party. The total value of these items donated to Marklund is more than \$50,000.

Volunteers need to be 16 years or older. Volunteers must be physically able to take part in bending, lifting up to 20 lbs., packing boxes, stacking them on pallets, and shrink wrapping.

The schedule is as follows:

Where: McCormick Place, Chicago

When: Tuesday, March 13

3:30-4 p.m. – Volunteers arrive at McCormick Place

4-5 p.m. – Volunteer orientation and box lunch

5-8:30 p.m. – Volunteers packing up donated goods Timeframe can be shorter if more volunteers are helping out.

Volunteers are advised to wear comfortable clothing, such as jeans, t-shirts, gym shoes. Carpooling will be available from Marklund's Geneva campus. Volunteers will need to be at the campus by 2:30 p.m.

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For information, please contact Cathy Nikrandt, [cnikrandt@marklund.org](mailto:cnikrandt@marklund.org).

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