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[www.wiwomensnetwork.org](http://www.wiwomensnetwork.org)

## → From Our Members

[NARAL Pro-Choice Wisconsin](#) Foundation Board chair responds on behalf of the Dane County Coalition for Women's Health to the January 17, 2009 Wisconsin State Journal [front-page article](#) on the anti-choice movement:

[Opinion: Need access to a legal procedure -- abortion](#)

All Dane County citizens deserve comprehensive health care, including access to the full range of reproductive services - from pap smears to contraception to pregnancy care to abortion.

## → News and Views

### [WI Elder Economic Security Initiative](#)

[The 2009 Elder Economic Security Standard Index for Wisconsin](#)," developed at the University of Massachusetts, looks at the basic cost of living for individuals and couples. The county-by-county study concludes that a large percentage of older people cannot afford to live in Wisconsin.

### [The Other Health Care Crisis -- America's Elderly](#)

Our population is growing older and living longer. Life expectancy in the United States is at an all-time high of nearly 78 years. The oldest old, those who are age 85 and over, are the fastest growing segment of the population. Yet very few doctors are trained in the care of the elderly.

### [Women's Health and Reproductive Rights](#)

[Women's movement mourns death of 3 Haitian leaders](#)

Founders of three of the Haiti's most important advocacy organizations working on behalf of women and girls were victims of the earthquake.

### [Women's Economic Issues](#)

[The Perks of Unemployment](#)

For some very small, very lucky contingent of the unemployed, proof of unemployment has become something of a "get in free" ticket as businesses across the country offer gratis services to victims of the recession.

### [Women in the Military](#)

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## **Job and Volunteer Opportunities**

### Job Opportunities

Posted 1/19/10

[Community GroundWorks at Troy Gardens](#) (CGW) is seeking applicants for two administrative positions. The full time **Executive Director** will lead CGW in the achievement of its mission, including organizational planning, fund development, public relations and supervision of staff and programs. The part time **Associate Director** develops, manages, and implements fundraising and provides additional administrative support to the organization. Complete position descriptions are attached. If interested in applying, please send cover letter and resume in pdf format to the [hiring committee](#). All applications and inquires must be submitted electronically. Applications must be sent by midnight on Sunday January 31, 2010

Posted 12/08/2009

### 2010 Census

The U.S. Census Bureau recently announced that 48,000 people are being recruited across the State of Wisconsin to work as **Census Takers** for the [2010 Census](#) between December, 2009, and June, 2010. Tests for the positions, which pay between \$11.50 and \$15 per hour, are taking place through January at locations throughout the state. Testing times and locations across Wisconsin are available by calling, toll free, 1-866-861-2010. More information about the positions, including application forms and a practice test, are available at the [2010 Census website](#) or [press release](#).

### Volunteer Opportunities

[Independent Living, Inc.](#) is looking for volunteers to help keep seniors and people with disabilities independent and in the home of their choice. We offer a wide variety of volunteer opportunities. Opportunities include:

**Chore Corps:** Help an older or disabled adult with running errands, grocery shopping, meal preparation or light housekeeping. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

**Evening Meals on Wheels:** Deliver hot, nutritious meals to the home of frail or homebound older adults or people with disabilities. Routes start between 4:00 to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and generally take about an hour to complete. Delivering meals make a great group or family activity.

**Friendly Visiting:** Help prevent social isolation by offering weekly companionship to an older adult in their home or on an outing. Flexible schedule 1-2 hours per week.

**Kitchen Volunteers:** Assist our professional chef in preparing and packaging meals for our Evening Meals on Wheels clients.

Reception Volunteer: Assist with answering the telephone, greeting visitors and general office projects. 3-4 hours per week. Shifts are available at the Independent Living Headquarters, 815 Forward Drive, or The Gardens, 602 N. Segoe Road, both in Madison.

**Telephone Reassurance:** Make daily calls to provide a safety check, medication reminder or companionship for an older adult in our community. For more information, contact [Volunteer Services Program Manager](#) at 608-274-7900

#### [Free Caregiver Training Series](#)

[Catholic Charities Aging Services](#) is offering free comprehensive caregiver training throughout 2010 to teach caregivers practical skills that make them better caregivers. The hands-on training includes falls prevention, lifting and positioning, skin care, medication safety, toileting and dressing, bathing and shower safety, and dealing with incontinence and much more. Jean Mueller, a registered nurse and member of the Dane County Caregiver Alliance, teaches the workshops and has more than 30 years of caregiving experience, both professionally and personally.

Saturdays, Feb. 20, 27, March 6 and 13 · 9am - 1pm  
Meriter Health Services, 2180 W. Beltline Highway, Madison  
Get details and [registration information here](#) or contact Diane Walder at (608) 442-7249.

For Fairness,

[Judy Karofsky, Interim Administrator](#)  
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