

# Calling, Calling Out for Help at Pumpkinfest 2024!

**Project 1: Gutting pumpkins**  
Date: Monday, Sept 30: 9am – 4pm  
Time Commitment: At least two hours  
Location: Pony Express Event Center, 1220 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, St. Joseph  
Task: Assist in removing insides & cutting a hole in the bottom of 100 – 125 logo pumpkins of various sizes. This prepares the pumpkins for the next step, which is carving.

**Project 2: Carving pumpkins**  
Date: Monday, Sept 30 through Thursday Oct 3:  
First shift: 9 am – 4 pm  
Second shift: 4 pm – 6 pm  
Friday, Oct4: 9 am – 2 pm  
Time Commitment: At least three hours due to time invested to train in carving techniques.  
Location: Pony Express Event Center, 1220 S. 10<sup>th</sup> Street, St. Joseph  
Task: Assist in carving the pumpkins for display on Pumpkin Mountain. Pumpkin Mountain co-chairs will train volunteers on required technique. Sponsors purchase pumpkins for the mountain, with 100 - 125 requesting their logo carved into their pumpkin.

**Project 3: Children's Tent or Pumpkin Shoppe**  
Date: Friday, Oct 4: 5 – 7:30 pm; Saturday, Oct 5: Noon – 7:30 pm.  
Sunday, Oct 6: Noon – 4 pm  
Time Commitment: 2- or 4-hour sessions on any or all days  
Location: *Children's Tent in Patee Park or Pumpkin Shoppe on Museum Grounds, west side*  
Task: Children's Tent: assist children in decorating their pumpkins. Help make a button with button machine (child decorates cutout) and volunteers put the button together, help with selected crafts by coordinator for specific days and times. Help families enjoy some family time, **AT NO TIME IS ANYONE TO LEAVE THEIR CHILD or CHILDREN unattended while in the tent.** Every child will receive a passport for doing the activities. You may be asked to assist with your area stamp as the child completes their task for you. Please dress in a T-shirt and shorts or jeans, short shorts are not allowed as it is a family event.

*Pumpkin Shoppe:* assist children with their purchases; must be able to count change.

**Project 4: General Help on Grounds**  
Date: Friday, Oct 4 – Sunday, Oct 6  
Time Commitment: 2- or 4-hour sessions on any /all days Sunday is tear down time 4:00pm -8:00pm  
Location: Museum grounds and/or Patee Park  
Task: Information Booth  
TBD: Other duties assigned 😊