

About WEFT 90.1: Founded in 1975, WEFT 90.1 FM is a locally owned, non-profit radio station serving East Central Illinois and worldwide listeners through its online stream. For over four decades, WEFT has been dedicated to offering diverse programming that highlights local arts, culture, politics, and social issues. The station is a historical treasure in Champaign and is hoping to preserve its local charm. WEFT also has one of the largest in-house collections of CD's in the United States! Here is a link to the WEFT website: <https://new.weft.org/>

What WEFT is Looking For: Currently, Eric Bohlen is the only full-time employee managing the day-to-day operations of WEFT. WEFT also has an engaged board of directors who contribute through their shows and segments. However, the station is in need of volunteers to help support its operations and ensure its future success. WEFT is open to new ideas from volunteers, and anyone with an interest in radio, community engagement, and preserving a local institution is encouraged to explore opportunities at the station.

Out in the Community:

- **Table Events:** Help manage booths, answer questions about WEFT, distribute free stickers and schedules, and sell WEFT merchandise at local events like Friday Night Live and Concerts in the Park.
- **Vendor Booth at Urbana Farmer's Market:** On Saturdays from March to October, assist with manning a booth, handing out promotional materials, and sometimes registering door prizes.
- **Other Community Events:** Assist at events such as the Senior Summer Event, Toast to Taylor Street, and the Pour Brothers Beer Fest.
- **WEFT FEST:** Volunteers are needed for event setup, managing raffles, assisting with bands/artists, merchandise sales, and more.
- **U of I Student Events:** Share information about WEFT at events like those held at the School of Social Work.

At the Station:

- **Quarterly Donation Drive Coordination:** Help organize t-shirt orders, package them for mailing, or arrange for delivery.
- **Public Service Announcements (PSAs):** Write and distribute PSAs and ensure they are added to the studio's calendar.
- **CD Organization:** Assist in organizing CDs and maintaining the station's Great Hall.
- **Sound Equipment Support:** Help set up and run equipment for events like WEFT Sessions and WEFT FEST.
- **Social Media & Design:** Create social media content, design fliers, posters, and merchandise such as t-shirts.
- **Station Maintenance:** Help with various tasks including regular cleaning and assisting with a larger project to re-organize the station's CD collection.

For other individual volunteer opportunities, please fill out this google form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdGlkZMm1BiykY50SdqBTdo7LQjSFaUXjwBICWSgCNxF0LOZg/viewform?usp=header>

PSA: Through these volunteer initiatives, WEFT is also hoping to find passionate individuals who are interested in their own segment, show, or performances at WEFT!

If you or anyone in your organization is interested in volunteering or would like more information, please feel free to reply to this email or contact Eric Bohlen at stationmanager@weft.org.