



PHOTO CAPTION: Barbara Krolak arranging a display at Chiefland's Thrift & Gift Shoppe.

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CHIEFLAND, Fla. – When Barbara Krolak was recovering from open heart surgery, she fell into a routine of “just sitting around.” To break out of that mode and get moving again, she responded to a volunteer sign in the window of Chiefland's Thrift & Gift Shoppe recently opened by Hospice of the Nature Coast.

“Now,” explains an article in the organization's volunteer newsletter, “she spends lots of time sorting donations, sizing clothing and operating the register.” Krolak is not the only one who finds that volunteering is a two-way street, benefiting a worthwhile charitable organization in exchange for a sense of accomplishment and new purpose.

Copies of the newsletter featuring Krolak and other local volunteers are available free at the thrift shoppe, located at 2202 N. Young Boulevard near Winn-Dixie. To join the special Chiefland Thrift Shoppe volunteer team, contact Shoppe Manager Millie Yazel at 352-493-9300 or stop by to pick up a newsletter and learn more about the opportunities and benefits of being a volunteer.