June 2020

Dear Volunteer,

As the world begins to open up a little and the weather starts to warm up, we hope you are staying safe and healthy. Eras continues to provide services to our clients and prioritize the safety of our community members. Thank you for your continued support during this difficult time, we are so appreciative of your continued dedication.

Welcome to the Eras Team, New Volunteers!

Thank you for giving your time to help support seniors and adults with disabilities in Waukesha County! The impact of your gift will be felt by all that you serve.

- Daschelle RoiceLewis
- Heather Hudson
- Mandy Gruchow
- Barbara Mangiafico
- Bindi Patel
- Joyce Griepentrog
- Laura Rogers
- Jane Knudson
- Jennifer Raess
- Noua Isla Zingue
- Corey Fuchs
- Jess Majcan
- Lori Kasun
- Maggie Pray
- Mollie Preston
- Michelle Clausing
- Tina Heinonen
- Janice Watter
- Jim Winiecki
- Justina Sviatoslavsky
- Amber Sickels
Volunteer Needs

**Telephone Reassurance Opportunities**: We currently have three Eras Senior Network clients looking to be matched with a Telephone Reassurance volunteer. Be a friend to a senior or an adult with a disability who is isolated and looking for someone to talk to. Please see the attached document to read more about the clients and their interests.

**Outdoor Repairs**: A client in Brookfield is looking for a volunteer to help with a few outside projects (tightening screws on couch and looking at some outdoor lights that are not working).

**Railing Painting**: A client in Delafield is looking for a volunteer to help sand and stain their two outdoor railings (first story is 10 feet long, second story is 20 feet long).

**House Trim Painting and Window Caulking**: A client in Summit is looking for a volunteer to help paint the trim on their house and caulk their windows.

**Kitchen Light Replacement**: A client in New Berlin is looking for a volunteer to replace the light bulbs in their kitchen ceiling fans. The client has a ladder and replacement bulbs.

**Window Caulking and Lightbulb Changes**: A client in Menomonee Falls is looking for a volunteer to caulk their windows and help with a few lightbulb changes needed in their new condo.

If you are interested in any of these opportunities, please contact Shannon at (262) 522-2405 or Shannon.Fogle@ErasWaukesha.org.

Volunteer Driving

As facilities are opening back up we are seeing an increase in transportation requests for healthcare appointments and the grocery store from our clients. If any volunteers who previously took some time off are interested in driving again, please let us know.

Additionally, if you are new to driving we have some volunteer materials available at the Waukesha Office (2607 N Grandview Blvd Suite 150 Waukesha, WI 53188). Please let us know if you are interested in any of the following:

- **Handicap Parking Permit** - can be used when transporting clients who need closer building access
- **Volunteer Driver Car Sign** - a sign that is placed on your dashboard to help clients identify your car
- **Photo ID Badge** - a volunteer badge that will help identify you as an Eras volunteer

If you are interested in driving or receiving volunteer materials, please contact Marisa at (262) 522-2402 or MarisaS@ErasWaukesha.org.

Wellness Check-In Phone Calls

We have several openings for volunteers interested in placing calls to a current client of Eras to ensure they have what they need at home like food, medication, and other essentials. Not only does this call help someone meet their basic needs, but it’s a way to help reduce loneliness for those who are isolated.

For more information about this program please read the following [instruction sheet](#).

If you are interested in making calls, please contact Marisa at (262) 522-2402 or MarisaS@ErasWaukesha.org.
Card Decorating Volunteer Opportunity

Eras Senior Network has 10,000 birthday and holiday cards that will be mailed out to clients throughout the year. We are looking for volunteers to take cards home, decorate them, and return them to either our Greendale or Waukesha office. For more information and to volunteer for this project, please sign up here or contact Becca Snow at Becca.Snow@eraswaukesha.org or (262) 522-2409.
Spring Yard Clean Up

There are currently 21 clients in Waukesha County who are still in need of Spring Yard Clean Up. Communities with the largest needs are Oconomowoc, Muskego, and Brookfield. Services include: raking winter debris, cleaning first floor gutters, washing windows, weeding, installing screens on windows, trimming bushes, and placing lawn furniture in yards.

In order to protect our clients and volunteers, we have made some adjustments to the size of volunteer groups this year. Please read the following document which details our updated information on how the program will be running this year: Spring Yard Clean Up - Questions & Answers.

If you are interested in volunteering please reach out to Marisa at (262) 522-2402 or MarisaS@ErasWaukesha.org.
Lawn Mowing

Clients throughout Waukesha County are in need of lawn care this summer. Volunteer to be matched with a client and help them mow their lawn throughout the season. This opportunity is flexible around your schedule and dependent on how fast the grass grows! At the beginning of the summer Eras will match interested volunteers with one (or more) of our clients. Throughout the season volunteers are expected to stop over when the senior’s lawn needs cutting. Groups can also participate in this opportunity and take turns mowing the client’s lawn throughout the season.

If you are interested in volunteering please reach out to Marisa at (262) 522-2402 or MarisaS@ErasWaukesha.org.
Have you submitted your hours?

Help us each month by reporting your hours. It's one of the ways we stay funded! Submit your hours on our website OR email them to us!

**Pen Pals and School Tutors do not need to submit hours. They are tracked by letters written and sign in sheets. If you have questions about submitting hours please contact us.**

Attachments

- Friendly Visiting Opportunities (June 2020).pdf  1K