March 2021

Dear Volunteer,

Spring is on its way! We hope you were able to spend a little time outside and enjoy the fresh air this past week. As the warm weather approaches, we are very excited to start our next season of programs.

Welcome to the Eras Team, New Volunteers!

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

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Christine Mortensen  
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Grace Alber  
Brianna Yi  
Peg Schmitt  
Iyeicha Potts  
Sharon Moore  
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Ryan Davidson  
Victoria Houle  
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Charles Billman  
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Daniel Peterson  
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Vickie Bonassi  
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Staci Gabor  
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Amy Billman  
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Ariam Chaney-Coe  
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Amanda Piel  
Matt Barrientez  
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Nirel Lougbo  
Danny Okerlund  
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Stephen Imig  
Juan Vega  
George Curran  
Matthew Jones  
Paul LaRosa  
Ellen Duarte
Volunteer Driver Reminder to Call Clients

If you have signed up to take a client somewhere, please remember to call clients the day before their requested ride to confirm the details of the trip. Plan to call clients during our normal business hours (9am-4pm) so we can help with any potential issues that may come up. If you are unable to call during business hours the day before, please plan on calling 2 days before the scheduled ride.

Volunteer Needs

Snow Removal: We have a number of clients who are still in need of Snow Removal for the remainder of the season (Brown Deer, Cudahy, Greenfield, Milwaukee, and South Milwaukee).

If you are able to help, please contact Betty at (414) 488-6500 ext. 6507 or Betty.Smith@Eras.org.

Volunteers Needed for Spring Yard Clean Up

It's hard to believe we are already talking about Spring Yard Clean Up but volunteer matching for this event will begin later this month. If you have never shown an interest in this program before and are able to help this season, please reach out and let us know. We will add you to the list of interested volunteers and reach out with more information when it is time to start matching.

Volunteers will help clients prepare their yards for summer. Duties include: raking leaves, cleaning flower beds, pulling weeds, trimming bushes, cleaning gutters, placing lawn furniture, installing window screens, washing windows, etc.

If you are interested in helping or have any questions, please contact Suzy at (414) 488-6930 or Suzanne.Endres@Eras.org.

Friendly Phone Call Program

We are continuing to recruit volunteers to help with our Friendly Phone Calls program. We are looking for individuals interested in placing weekly phone calls to our clients. Volunteers are also encouraged to spend some time chatting with the senior to help brighten their day. Our aim is to decrease the feeling of loneliness while creating a sense of calm for our clients through these calls. We will also gain a better understanding of their needs during this time.

For more information about this program please read the program instruction sheet.

If you are interested in making calls, please contact Joey at (414) 488-6500 ext. 6505 or Joey.Jackson-Streeter@Eras.org.

What Does Eras Do with Client Information?

An inquiry about our recent flu vaccine mailing prompted the question: “What does Eras do with client information? Could our information be sold, prompting mailings from solicitors?”

Eras Senior Network keeps your information private and will not give or sell your information to outside sources. The recent flu vaccine mailings were sent by Eras, in partnership with community organizations and dedicated grant funds paying for printing and mailing.

Clients receiving direct services may receive occasional greeting cards to brighten spirits during the pandemic. Clients will also receive a printed newsletter in the mail four times a year.

If you would prefer not to receive mail, please let us know and we will be happy to remove you from our mailings. If you have questions, contact Judith Amorsen, Program Director, Waukesha County at (262) 522-2411 or Sophia Franklin, Program Director, Milwaukee County at (414) 488-6929.
COVID-19 Vaccination Information

Eras encourages everyone to consider getting a COVID-19 vaccination. Below is information about the vaccine.

Videos

- Community Health Expert Panel Discussion (15 minutes)
- Community Health Expert Discussion COVID-19 Vaccine (45 minutes)
- How Effective is the COVID-19 Vaccine? (Social)
- What is the risk versus benefit of the COVID-19 vaccine? (Social)
- What is the impact of COVID-19 (Social)

Flyers

- COVID-19 Vaccine FAQ's
- COVID-19 Vaccine Facts
- COVID-19 Vaccine Myths

No Flu for You

If you did not receive an influenza vaccination in the fall, getting one is still important because seasonal influenza can sometimes last until May.

Check out our attached Flu Shot Newsletter for more information on how to stay safe this flu season. You can also click here to watch a video from our community partner, ProHealth Care on the importance of the flu vaccine.

MYTH: I’m healthy and staying home - I don’t need the flu shot.

FACT: If you’re older, you’re at higher risk of getting the flu and have more complications if you do - even if you’re healthy.

Get your flu shot today!

VaccineFinder.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!

** If you have questions about submitting hours please contact us.
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Attachments

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