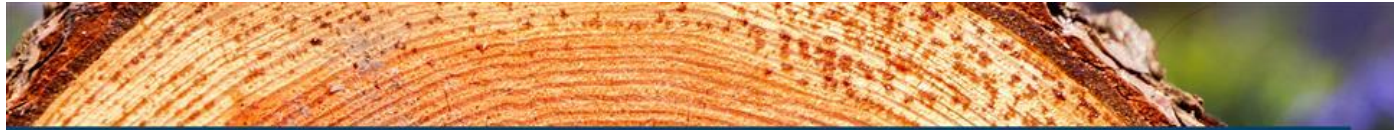


March 2021



# Milwaukee County Volunteer Newsletter

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.

Harris Ayaz  
 Christine Mortensen  
 Lizzie Tarantello  
 Grace Alber  
 Brianna Yi  
 Peg Schmitt  
 Iyeicha Potts  
 Sharon Moore  
 Gabrielle Piechocki  
 Ryan Davidson  
 Victoria Houle  
 Auburn Dush  
 Sakshi Gupta  
 Remi Maynard  
 Charles Billman  
 Sarah Billman  
 Hunter Bachmann

Shelly Hintz  
 Samuel Coulson  
 Quaniqua Hicks  
 Sarena Farber  
 Daniel Peterson  
 Nicole Temme  
 Molly Sullivan  
 Vickie Bonassi  
 Hanna Zeiler  
 Ariel Cortes  
 Staci Gabor  
 Teyonda Hamler  
 Amy Billman  
 Amelia Fly  
 Hannah Billman  
 Dylan Anderson  
 Kathleen Sitarz

Ariam Chaney-Coe  
 Christin Cleaver  
 Darjonae Nellem  
 Amanda Piel  
 Matt Barrientez  
 Aislinn Mulvey  
 Nirel Loughbo  
 Danny Okerlund  
 Manar Al Rubaye  
 Mariana Vergara Cavero  
 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.



**NO FLU**  
for YOU

Protect Yourself.  
Protect Others.  
GET A FLU SHOT.

**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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