

Volunteer Opportunities

Volunteer Guardian:

Do you have 3 – 6 hours a month to offer? Would you like to make a difference in the life of a vulnerable individual? Please consider becoming a Volunteer Guardian – a person appointed by the Probate Court to make decisions for someone who is unable to do so for themselves. People who may need guardians include someone who has dementia, is developmentally disabled, is chronically mentally ill, or has suffered a brain injury. The role of the Volunteer Guardian is to advocate for, monitor, spend time with, and help the person in need. A guardian must be a Wisconsin resident, at least 21 years of age, complete an application, and pass a background disclosure. Please call 262-638-6337 and ask for Ryanne or email ryanne.jackson@racinecounty.com today for more information.

Meals on Wheels Driver:

The Meal on Wheels program provides a hot, nutritious meal to seniors who are homebound. In addition to bringing meals, volunteer drivers check on the well-being of the participants. Meals are delivered five days a week. To learn more about becoming a Meal on Wheels Driver please call 262-638-6337 and ask for Ryanne or email ryanne.jackson@racinecounty.com

Class Lay Leader for Chronic Disease Self-Management Program (CDSMP):

CDSMP is an education program offered in our community for adults 60+ who are experiencing chronic health conditions such as hypertension, arthritis, heart disease, stroke, lung disease, and diabetes; their family members, friends and caregivers can also participate. The program provides information and teaches practical skills on managing chronic health problems. Workshops are 6 weeks long, meeting once a week for 2.5 hours. Lay Leader must have a chronic condition. Workshops are facilitated by a team of two trained leaders, pairing with either a health professional with a lay leader or two lay leaders. To learn how to become a Lay Leader, please call 262-833-8777 and ask for Taylor Scherer or email Taylor.Scherer@racinecounty.com.

Class Lay Leader for Stepping On Program:

The Stepping On Program is an interactive evidence-based falls prevention program aimed at educating older adults (60+) and building confidence in order to reduce and/or eliminate falls. Workshops focus on how strength and balancing exercises, medication management, home safety, footwear, vision and mobility are important in preventing falls. Workshops are 7 weeks long, meeting once a week for 2 hours. Lay Leaders must participate as a student in a 7-week class before becoming a Lay Leader. To learn more, please call 262-833-8777 and ask for Taylor Scherer or email Taylor.Scherer@racinecounty.com.

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Caregiver Support Group Volunteer Facilitator:

Are you a good listener, empathic, with strong communication skills? The Aging and Disability Resource Center (ADRC) is looking for people interested in becoming a Volunteer Caregiver Support Group Facilitator. Volunteer Facilitators will co-lead the group with a Caregiver Support Specialist from the ADRC. Together, facilitators create a safe environment that allow caregivers to share their thoughts, feelings, challenges and ask questions regarding caregiving. The leaders strive to provide emotional support to group members and connect them with additional resources as needed. Volunteers can choose from several monthly groups both virtual and in-person. If interested, please call the ADRC at 262-833-8777 and ask for Ruth Stauersbol or email Ruth.Stauersbol@racinecounty.com.

Memory Café Volunteer:

Are you interested in a fun volunteer opportunity once a month? We are looking for volunteers who have a passion for working with those who have memory loss. A Memory Café is a safe place care partners and their loved ones with any form of dementia can socialize, enjoy activities and make connections with others. Training will be provided. To learn more, please call the ADRC of Racine County at 262-833-8777 and ask for Kim Meitner or email Kim.Meitner@racinecounty.com.

Sip & Swipe Café Coach:

Volunteers are needed for the Sip & Swipe tablet training program, a self-paced class for seniors on how to use a tablet or smart phone. Rest assured, you do not have to be an expert at technology! If you are familiar with how to use a tablet or smart phone and are friendly and patient, you have the skills we need! You will help guide learners through an on-screen tutorial and are there to encourage them as well as answer any questions. The class can be broken into 4, 1-hour lessons or 2, 2-hour lessons. The learners will go at their own pace and come for as many days or hours that they need to. Tablets are provided to the learners and coaches will be trained on the tutorial beforehand. To learn more about becoming a Sip & Swipe coach, please call 262-833-8777 and ask for Taylor Scherer or email Taylor.Scherer@racinecounty.com.

SHIP Volunteer (Wisconsin's State Health Insurance Assistance Program):

Volunteer(s) needed to enter data into computer system during Medicare Part D Annual Enrollment Period (October – December). Volunteer would need basic computer knowledge, basic knowledge of medications and good communication skills. Confidentiality of information being entered is crucial. Volunteer hours are flexible any time Monday – Friday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m. To learn more about this opportunity, please call 262-638-6337 or email Ryanne.jackson@racinecounty.com.