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Well-being as we age


AmeriCorps
Seniors

Starting in 2019, Homage and MultiCare's Celebrate Seniority Program have partnered to better serve the south King County elder community with the Senior Companion Program.

Mary Ann Higgins coordinates the program for Homage – the AmeriCorps Seniors Grantee – for both Snohomish County and King County.

Deborah Gurney is the MultiCare Celebrate Seniority Station Supervisor – for the south King County based Senior Companion Volunteers.

The Homage Senior Companion Program (SCP):



- **National Service Program**
- **Federally Funded by AmeriCorps Seniors and local match**
- **An opportunity for lower income volunteers 55+ to serve others in their communities by helping older adults live in their homes longer and improve their quality of life.**
- **Currently we have 8 SCP Volunteers serving in south King County**

Senior Companion Volunteers offer to those 60+ or adults with disabilities:

- **Companionship – in home or in the community (socialize, play cards, take walks, accompany to senior centers or other community locations)**
 - **Some offer transportation assistance**
 - **Shopping assistance**
 - **Enjoy meal together**
 - **Assistance with home organizing**
 - **Spends time with client to offer respite to family caregiver**
- *Not allowed to do housecleaning or personal care*



To Be an SCP Volunteer, must be:

- **Age 55+**
- **Mthly income under \$2430**
- **Willing to serve at least 6-8+ hrs/week**
- **Pass background checks, complete 20 hrs pre-service orientation**
- **Attend monthly zoom or in-person meetings**
- **Enjoy helping others**



Volunteers receive \$4/hr stipend & mileage reimbursements

Invite us to your facility or zoom mtg to share this opportunity to volunteer and help others...

Deb - Client eligibility:

- **Be age 60+ or an adult with a disability**
- **Be isolated or have a health issue that makes it hard to get out of home; would benefit from more social interaction.**
- **Live in King or Snohomish Counties**
- **No income requirements – free to all clients**
- **Live in their own home or apt
(not in AFH or Assisted Living)**
- **Have a family caregiver who needs respite**
- **Safe home for volunteer to visit**

Refer clients to get on waitlist – wait depends on where they liveor be open to weekly social phone calls

Referred By _____		Phone () _____	
<p>To be placed on MultiCare's Senior Companion Client wait list, please complete this form to the best of your ability and fax it to 253-697-7398. When we have a representative in your area with similar preferences to yours, they will call you. They will then schedule an onboarding meeting for you with staff at MultiCare. We will ensure your name remains on the wait list until you receive a call. Thank you.</p>			
King County SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM CLIENT INTAKE FORM		 Celebrate Seniority	 AmeriCorps Seniors
Date: _____			
Client Name _____		DOB _____	Age _____
Address _____		Gender _____	
City _____		Ethnicity _____	
State _____	Zip _____	Veteran _____	
Phone () _____		Number in Household _____	
Caregiver's Name(s) _____		Relationship _____	Phone () _____
Others living in home _____		Relationship _____	
Is your family involved in your life? _____			
Client Notes _____			
If we are unable to assign a Senior Companion immediately, how long do you anticipate you will be able to continue living in your current situation? Please circle your answer.			
0-6 months	6 months-1 year	1-2 years	2+ years
We are unable to place Senior Companions with clients who are bedbound, wheelchair bound, or has more than 2 pets.			
Please tell us if any of these apply to you. _____		And if you have pets, how many and what kind? _____	

Contact us for more information or:

For New Volunteer Interest:

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