

Respite Volunteers of Shiawassee

CHURCH LIAISON Job Description

Church liaisons are important links to the community. They are key people in helping congregations to become familiar with the Respite Volunteer concept and program. This facilitates support, trust and confidence in the Faith in Action program which supports persons with health impairments and their family caregivers.

BENEFITS:

1. Satisfaction of helping those in need through one's faith.
2. Education and training.
3. While working with other dedicated volunteers, interfaith friendships develop.
4. The chance to make a difference and impact the lives of patients served and their caregiving families.

DUTIES:

1. Work with the clergy to identify and reach out to the caregivers and care recipients in the church family who are possibly in need of respite and/or education about additional senior and healthcare services available.
2. With the pastor, recruit volunteers from all adult age groups within the Church, and among friends of the church.
3. Use Respite Volunteer staff for information concerning community resources, the library etc.
4. Be responsible to, and report on the efforts of the church to the Executive Director, as well as to the pastor and Church Secretary about Respite Volunteer information. *(many church secretaries allow RVS to send e-mail updates of Volunteer Trainings and RVS events to be included in church newsletters and bulletins)
5. Participate in the Respite Volunteer Training program if possible.
6. Attend monthly Church Liaison meetings when possible. Host Church Liaison Meetings at their church when possible.

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