



Role Description

Good Samaritan Junior Helper

General description

Junior Helpers assist in publicly available program areas as directed by staff. Junior helpers must be supervised directly for the enhancement of resident comfort by either a designated staff, or registered volunteer provided by the legal guardian.

Junior helpers function as visitors while at the care home and are responsible for acting within the Good Samaritan (GS) Respect in the Workplace policy governing all GS visitors. Please connect with your volunteer services staff with any questions, concerns, or comments.

Mission, Vision, and Values

Our mission is to extend Christian Hospitality through a continuum of care to those in need or at risk, regardless of race or religious belief.

Our vision is to grow in strength, excellence and creativity in caring for others.

Our values are to be in Healthy Relationships, Hospitable Environments, and Servant Leadership.

Work Safety Commitment

The Good Samaritan Society is committed to achieving and maintaining excellence in health, safety, wellness and the Environment in all of its operations. Maintaining a safe working culture is everyone's responsibility. We must continually identify, assess, report and control possible risks to the health and safety of ourselves, our co-workers, volunteers, contractors, our residents and the public within the communities, which we operate.

**Tasks may include:**

- Assist with set up and clean up, if necessary
- Communicate with residents, staff and visitors
- Participate in planning and implementation of activities (e.g. baking, crafts, discussion groups, exercises, bingo, gardening, special meals, special events, bowling, etc.)
- Initiating and encouraging participation in activities
- Support, encourage and value residents
- Follow direction of staff

Skills required:

- Compassion and enthusiasm to help
- Patient, flexible, desire to assist, encouraging and supportive
- Interest in supporting elders and/or persons with a disability
- Ability to follow directions

Benefits:

To Client/Resident:

- Develop relationships
- Enhance socialization and stimulation of physical and cognitive abilities
- Intergenerational engagement

To Helper:

- Develop relationships
- Develop or improve skills in supportive environment
- Increase awareness of elders and/or persons with a disability
- Have fun

To Staff:

- Enhance programming
- Effective stewardship of resources

Resources available:

- Staff support
- Educational opportunities
- Appropriate handouts

Other information/notes:

Each time you come to volunteer, please:

- wear your nametag;
- sign-in/out for your service;
- use good hand hygiene; and,
- do not come for volunteer service when you are not feeling well.

Thanks for being a Good Samaritan!