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# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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*Make a  
difference in your  
community...*



*“It’s just people being people  
and making connections.”  
– Pathways Volunteer*

*“No act of kindness,  
no matter how small is  
ever wasted.”  
– Aesop*



*see reverse for more information*



**PATHWAYS**

*Home Health & Hospice*

## **VOLUNTEER PROGRAM**

### **A PLACE FOR YOU**

Volunteers are a valuable part of the care Pathways provides. Our flexible program welcomes people from all over the Bay Area and all walks of life. We've got a place for you that will meet your schedule and geographic preferences. There are a variety of ways that you can give your time, talents, and experience. Some of the ways to help include:

- Support patient and families with home visits.
- Provide administrative support in one of our offices.
- Visit or call bereaved families.
- Become a Friendly Caller to those who need a calm, helpful telephone companion.
- Adopt a facility; become the patient and family volunteer for our hospice patients there.
- Assist with fundraising or other events.
- Become a mentor—for natural leaders to assist staff in training new volunteers.
- Provide leadership, such as on our Foundation Board of Directors.

### **TRAINING**

Pathways gives hospice volunteers specialized training to develop the skills they'll need to work with patients and their families. Volunteers choosing administrative or other support functions receive an orientation and on-the-job training.

### **TIME**

Each volunteer is free to choose how much time he or she would like to give. Most volunteer from two to four hours a week. Volunteers usually work out a regular schedule of availability, but some prefer to be available to fill in as needed.

### **BENEFITS OF VOLUNTEERING**

Volunteers often find that their greatest satisfaction comes from contributing to the wellbeing of others. They also have the opportunity to apply their talents in fields different from their usual work. For some, volunteering may even lead to a new career. Their gifts of time, energy, and skills fill a unique role that only they can provide. And volunteers tell us that they learn from working with other dedicated professionals and volunteers.

### **FINDING YOUR NICHE AT PATHWAYS**

To explore volunteer opportunities at Pathways, call the Volunteer Resources Coordinator in your area, or visit the "Apply to be a Volunteer" section of our website. After completing an application, you'll meet with a representative from Volunteer Resources to help you find your place at Pathways.

**Call us.** In Santa Clara County: 408.773.4271; in Alameda & Contra Costa Counties: 510.613.2017; and in San Francisco & San Mateo Counties: 650.808.4604.

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