

# We need Friendly Visitor/ Telephone Friend Volunteers like you!

Are you interested in meeting new people, visiting with others in person or on the phone?

We are always looking for volunteers to connect with older adults in the community.

## What you need to do:

- Complete an application
- Provide a current criminal record/  
vulnerable sector check
- Provide a current adult abuse registry check



## TO ACCESS THIS PROGRAM

- Call Resource at 204-325-8964
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## Our Purpose

Is to ensure that seniors in the community are made aware of and are provided access to services that assist Seniors in maintaining their independence. We continue to expand our services to meet the needs of the aging population within our community.



# FRIENDLY VISITOR/ TELEPHONE FRIEND PROGRAM

## Who can access the program?

Older adults who need companionship or would like to visit with others.

Older adults who would like to build new social connections or new friendships.

## Who will visit the Older Adults in the program?

Volunteers with the program will complete criminal record/vulnerable sector checks, adult abuse registry checks and references checked.

## Purpose of Program

To provide companionship and build social connections with older adults.

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## How often will the visits be?

Visits will either be in person or via telephone.

Frequency of visits can be once a month, twice a month, every week or as agreed between volunteer and older adult in the program.

## How is safety ensured for both parties?

Qualified individuals are selected during the volunteer application process prior to meeting the client. An assessment of the Older Adults needs are done prior to visits to ensure needs can be met by the program.

## How do I know I'll have a successful match?

The Volunteer and Older Adult both complete an Interest survey, before a volunteer is assigned. Each match starts with a 3 month trial period, with the Coordinator checking periodically on progress of the relationship.