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OUR RESPONSE TO COVID 19

On March 16, we made the difficult decision to suspend our regular face to face services to keep both our volunteers and receivers safe. We quickly adapted to a CoVid19 response mode to help connect our home bound elderly to resources during the pandemic.

Caregivers have partnered with Fulfill NJ, Ocean Ride, Jersey Cares and offices of Senior Services in Ocean and Monmouth Counties to connect the home bound elderly to food and transportation. Additionally, we have created an extensive phone outreach network to check in, catch up and connect.

MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

BY MEGAN OKEEFE

I have only one word to describe my short time at this incredible organization, "humbling". I am humbled by the gratitude of those we help, the commitment of our volunteers, the dedication of the staff and generosity of our supporters. Caregiver Volunteers is truly unique in level of connection and care we have to our community. Although my first 8 weeks at Caregivers has been anything but easy, I am so happy to be a part of this vital meaningful work.

We find our true character in how we handle moments like this, and this collective commitment to the people in our community, will make us all stronger than ever. Caregiver Volunteers was founded on the core value -- that our elderly deserve to live with dignity and joy as a part of our community -- thank you for being there right along with us.
We will slowly be resuming our food shopping services in the beginning of June.

If you have previously received shopping from us we will contact you! If you are interested in getting food shopping from Caregiver Volunteers please call the office.

Due to the high volume of requests please note there will be a delay in getting you matched with a volunteer, but please be patient with us!

We are hoping to open transportation services in mid June but will rely on the guidance of the governors office before making any announcements.

NEW SAFETY GUIDELINES

Advice from the CDC on how to stay safe

Wash your hands - Often and for at least 20 seconds.

Practice social distancing - Stay 6 feet away from another person.

Wear a mask - Be sure to cover your face and nose with a cloth cover to limit the spread of germs.

Clean & Disinfect - Disinfect frequently touched surfaces such as desks, phones, doorknobs, and faucets.

ALREADY AN EXISTING VOLUNTEER?

Let us know when you are ready to come back! Call the Caregivers office or visit: www.caregivervolunteers.org/volunteer-update-form/to update your volunteer status!

INTERESTED IN BECOMING A VOLUNTEER?

Caregiver Volunteers is powered by people like you! If you enjoy interacting with people and want to help home bound seniors live with dignity and joy contact us today or visit: www.caregivervolunteers.org/volunteer/

VIRTUAL ONLINE TRAININGS

Caregiver Volunteers will be hosting weekly online virtual trainings via zoom!

UPCOMING TRAININGS

- 5/22 - 11am with Danielle
- 5/28 - 2pm with Kelly
- 6/3 - 10am with Mary
- 6/11 - 2pm with Kelly
- 6/17 - 11am with Danielle
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We offer our sincere condolences & gratitude to the families of:
- Barbara Greene
- Mildred Kittner
- Catherine Lindner
- Rita McGoff
- Mary Ann Rusznak
- Alvin R. Walck

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We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Pine Belt and Subaru for their generous donation of $51,000 to our Caregiver Canines® program.

Their donation will assist us in furthering our outreach and training to provide more pet therapy visits to our senior communities.

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Your responses in the 2020 Census ensures that Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey will continue to receive funds to support our vital services to the community.

Be counted and encourage others to participate in the 2020 Census.

Be counted!
Your response determines funding for senior services. Be counted and complete your census by mail, by phone 844-330-2020 or online www.2020census.gov
In the world of the internet and smart devices, Telehealth has developed into a valuable, integrated service used by primary care physicians, hospitals and other healthcare facilities. These virtual visits, which are covered by Medicare, provide easy access to physicians who can assess symptoms, diagnose and treat for more simple and less serious ailments.

Through Telehealth, Visiting Physician can conduct follow up visits, manage chronic conditions and provide remote post-hospitalization care by using HIPAA compliant video-conferencing tools such as a Smart phone or laptop. Dr. Sara Leonard, Medical Director for Visiting Physician Services, comments, “Adding telemedicine to our house call services was a natural and necessary fit given the high level of fear and anxiety right now. Being able to connect with our patients face to face through video is an alternative way for us to follow up and provide care in between our in-person visits. We are here to support our patients in any way possible during this difficult time and are still continuing to make house calls as well.”

House calls still remain the core service and mission of Visiting Physician. Dr. Leonard adds, “Being able to see patients in their own environment offers insight into key social and environmental factors that enable us to provide a greater scope of care. The result is improved patient outcomes and reduced hospital admissions. In addition, our clinicians are following all CDC guidelines and safety protocols for in-home visits to ensure our patients and staff stay safe. Now more than ever, people want to remain in the comfort of their home as they get older and house calls can help meet that need.”

For more information about Visiting Physician Services, please call 732-571-1000 or visit www.vnahg.org/vps.

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PLANTING SEEDS

Ever wish you could do more? Well, there are some options to help create your lasting legacy. Planned giving is a set of future, thoughtful charitable gift opportunities. They are designed to sustain the future of Caregiver Volunteers of Central Jersey, without impacting your daily life. You can make a difference, often with personal advantages, by using win-win solutions for you, your family and the causes that mean so much to you. By using these giving strategies your assets remain in your control during your lifetime and you have the flexibility to modify your gift if circumstances change. Creating your legacy is like planting in a garden so future generations will always be able to enjoy it. For more information about options that may be right for you, please reach out to Megan O’Keefe at 732-505-2273 ext 206 or megano@caregivervolunteers.org
Resources Available
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Transportation -
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SCAT 732-431-6480

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Call local stores for senior shop times
Fulfill Food Pantry - fulfillnj.org or
call 732-918-2600

If you are sick call 800-962-1253