Become a Trailblazer:
Paving the Way for Older Adults

Help Us Bridge the Gap for Our Community's Most Vulnerable Members.

The journey into elderhood often brings with it a host of challenges, especially for our vulnerable older adults. While the spirit may be willing, there may be physical, cognitive, and emotional barriers which can sometimes make accessing community-based services a daunting task. It's a journey that many wish not to embark on alone.

Introducing the Trailblazers Project an exciting new volunteer program that aims to bridge these gaps and ensure that our older adults access essential services with confidence and friendly support.

What is the Trailblazers Project?

Trailblazers are compassionate volunteers trained to provide one-on-one support, assisting our older community members in connecting to vital community-based services. Their role goes beyond mere guidance

- they stand as steadfast companions, physically accompanying people, helping them navigate unfamiliar landscapes, and ensuring their transition to these services is smooth and anxiety-free.

Why Should You Volunteer?

- 1. Personal Growth: Enhance your skills and gain meaningful experiences.
- 2. Community Engagement: Play an active role in strengthening our community.
- 3. Build Relationships: Create genuine connections with older adults and other volunteers.
- 4. Make a Difference: Your support can significantly transform someone's quality of life, offering them better health, independence, and happiness.

Who are the Trailblazers Assisting?

Trailblazers will be aiding a diverse group, including those with low income, those living in rural areas, individuals with physical disabilities, and people living with dementia. By becoming a Trailblazer, you ensure that every older adult, regardless of their background or challenges, feels seen, heard, and supported.

Joining the initiative is easy:

- 1. Express your interest to our senior center staff.
- 2. Undergo a comprehensive training program to equip you with the necessary skills.
- 3. Embark on a rewarding journey of making a difference!
- 4. An application, interview, and background check are part of the process.

Many services that the Trailblazers connect our community members to are supported by the Older Americans Act, ensuring that people maintain their health, well-being, and independence.

In a world where community support can be the difference between isolation and thriving, let's come together to ensure no one feels left behind. Become a Trailblazer and light the way for our community's most vulnerable.

Applications are being accepted now! Please pick up an application at the front desk or contact:

Marcie Morrow, Volunteer Coordinator, at 307-672-2240 x134 for more information.



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