## VOLUNTEERING AT DAMPA'S HOUSE

### Caregiving

Caregiving is the heart and soul of our mission. Our caregiving volunteers are fully trained in all aspects of comfort care before starting at Bampa's House. Shadow training is also provided. Come learn how to care for your own loved ones and those who reside in our home. Work directly with our experienced Executive Nurse Director as you provide for the needs of our residents.

The skills you learn in our home will last you a lifetime and give you a head start when the need arises.

Volunteering can be an important way to either pay back or pay ahead in life. Our community needs volunteers who understand the power of love and serving our neighbors.

You can help make Bampa's House be the kind of home you'd like your loved ones to experience if the time comes.





## There is more than just caregiving...

Comfort care homes like ours do not charge residents for our services. Every dollar we spend to care for community residents comes from the folks in the same community. We need volunteers in every aspect of running a home to keep our expenses low. Here are some ideas of other ways you can volunteer:

- Fundraising
- Event workers
- Lawn mowing
- Landscapers and gardeners
- Snow shoveling
- House cleaning
- Minor repairs
- Carpenters
- Painters
- Electricians
- Plumbers
- Errand runners

Contact us today to learn more or to sign up!

# FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

## What are the responsibilities of a caregiver?

The first priority is to give comfort and care to the residents. Each individual's needs may be different. Some examples are adjusting bedding, getting food and drinks, helping with feeding, assisting with or giving personal care, reading to them, or just being good company.

# As a volunteer, would I ever be left alone at the house?

Yes. Our volunteers are rarely alone during business hours when our staff is present, but evening hours and weekends they are. There is always a nurse on call, and they will always have the phone numbers of nurses and nearby volunteers if help is required. Our doors are always locked, and we have a very good security system with cameras.

# Will I be required to administer medication to a resident?

Yes, volunteers may administer medications to residents. You will be trained to give medications that have been ordered by the physician and set up in advance by the Nurse Executive Director or their designated backup.

# Am I required to get a vaccine to be a volunteer?

We require individuals to get the Covid-19 vaccine in order to protect Bampa's House residents, volunteers, and staff. An infection would necessitate closing the house. Regarding sickness in general, you need to contact the Volunteer Coordinator as soon as you know you are not feeling well so she can fill your shift with someone else.

#### What can I do if there is downtime?

If you are volunteering when the resident wishes to be alone, is sleeping, or is with family, you may be asked if you'd be willing to work on other volunteer jobs. Alternatively, you are allowed to work on your own work or reading.

## WANT TO LEARN MORE?

#### Join us at a Lunch and Learn!

Interested in learning more about volunteering at Bampa's House or about Bampa's House in general? Please join on the second Thursday of each month for a Lunch & Learn from 11:30-12:30 to learn more! The session is held right at Bampa's House.

Please contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Lindsay, if you have any questions. We hope to see you there!

# THE YOU IT STUDENT?

## **Volunteer or Service Requirements**

Many schools require their students to volunteer or perform service hours. Volunteering improves self-confidence and leadership skills and provides a sense of meaning and appreciation.

Bampa's House is a great place for students to fulfill those service hours. You can immediately see the impact you have on someone's life and help your local community.





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If you have any questions about Bampa's House or would like to learn more about the house before signing up, please contact us.

You can also contact our Volunteer Coordinator, Lindsay Butler, at 607-654-4205 or lindsay.butler@bampashouse.org

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## VOLUNTEERING AT DAMPA'S HOUSE

#### **Our Mission**

Bampa's House will provide a safe and comfortable home for persons at end-of-life to receive comfort care from loving caretakers around the clock, treating the residents with dignity and respect, and providing peace for the residents and their loved ones.

### **Our Vision**

People nearing end of life for whom home care is not an option will have a safe, dignified, peaceful, and comfortable home staffed with volunteers to care for them and their loved ones through end of life. Bampa's House will be an integral part of the communities which it serves and will sustain through charitable donations and grants in order to provide care free of charge.