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VOLUNTEER DRIVER

Objectives:

- To improve the quality of life for seniors with mobility challenges who are unable to take other forms of transportation.
- To decrease the social isolation of a senior and enhance their independence and quality of life.

Reporting to the Program Coordinator of Comox Valley Better At Home program, Volunteer Drivers will provide assisted transportation to appointments across the Comox Valley to seniors who are unable to drive or take public transit. This position requires solid driving skills and well developed interpersonal skills.

The Volunteer Driver will pick up a senior at their home and will provide them with a ride to an appointment. Sometimes volunteers might stay with their rider, while other times they may agree upon an appropriate pick up time. The driving will be done with the volunteer driver's car.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Must be a responsible driver obeying all traffic and seat belt laws
- Knowledgeable about defensive driving an asset
- Transporting seniors from their homes to the location of their appointment
- Reporting any incidents and emergencies immediately
- Be reliable and punctual
- Calling with ample notice, if unable to make it for a scheduled shift
- Flexibility and adaptability to emergency situations
- Keeping accurate records and submitting the required reports
- Attending required program orientation and training
- Able to commit to 2 - 3 trips a month for a minimum of 3 months
- Volunteers will abide by a Confidentiality Statement and Confidentiality Agreement related to client information
- Volunteer drivers will respect and comply with the organizations policies, procedures, codes of conduct and ethics
- Volunteer drivers will be able to take direction from the Program Coordinator or designate
- Treating all seniors with dignity and respect
- Willingness to help make a difference in a senior's life



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The position requires the following qualifications:

- Be 21 years of age or older
- Have at minimum five years of driving experience
- Hold a good driving record and must provide photocopies of ICBC driving history
- Hold a valid driver's license, registration and automobile insurance and be willing to provide photocopies of these documents
- Be physically able to assist seniors to get in and out of the car if needed
- Be willing to drive without distractions (cell phone, texting, eating while driving)
- Own a reliable vehicle
- Able to provide 2 (non-family) references
- Be sensitive towards seniors and people from diverse cultures
- Excellent communication skills

Time: Weekdays 8am - 5pm

Requirements: Must undergo Criminal Record Checks

For further information please contact:

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