



## DARTS Visitor Volunteer

### Overview:

A visitor has the opportunity to develop a one-to-one relationship with an older adult living in Dakota County. A visitor will provide socialization through visits, activities and community outings.

### Service Impact:

The older adult will feel less isolated and more connected to the community, along with gaining a new friendly relationship.

### Key Responsibilities:

- Provide visits weekly or as arranged with Service Coordinator and client.
- Participate in DARTS orientation, evaluation, and on-going communication with Service Coordinator.
- If appropriate, activities may include going for walks, attending community events, running errands, playing games, crafts, and assistance with reading and correspondence. *There are resources and ideas of leisure activities available at the Volunteer Resource Nook, at DARTS.*
- Understand and follow the DARTS Volunteer Guidelines.
- Report volunteer service hours to the Volunteer Manager.
- If you need to rearrange or cancel visits, please notify the client.

### Time Commitment:

6-month minimum commitment  
2 to four visits a month

### Qualifications:

- Patience and understanding of aging issues
- Good listening and communication skills
- Knowledge or skill of playing games, making crafts, or other special interest.
- Reliable transportation

### Supported By:

Assigned Service Coordinator and the Volunteer Manager

### Benefits:

- Gain new experience and friendship
- Use or develop your leisure skills
- Discover self fulfillment and strengthen our community by supporting an older adult.

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