

How to Apply

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES at JAMAICA PLAIN

Regular Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM
Closed Nights, Weekends and Holidays

PROGRAM	DESCRIPTION
Veterans Clothing Room Volunteer	Sort Donations, Maintain Seasonal Inventory, Assist Veterans in Need
DAV Drivers	Transport Veterans from home to Medical Center for appointments, and back
My Health eVet Volunteers	Introduce Veterans to online web system to access health information and care
Ambassadors	Meet and Greet visitors in our busy lobby areas, dispense information, escort veterans to appointments when needed
BINGO/Texas Hold 'Em	Bring your Veteran Service Organization to Sponsor and Lead games for our residential treatment veterans in the evenings
Coffee Cart	Sponsor and Serve coffee/refreshments to veterans in our outpatient clinic wait areas
Special Events	Occasional Volunteers to assist with Special Events and Activities

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES @ WEST ROXBURY

Normal Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30 PM

* Closed on National Holidays Volunteer Shifts are scheduled in 2 Hour increments.

Program	Individual / Group or Both	Day	Time	Assignment Description
Activity Cart	Individual	Saturday & Sunday	1:30pm to 4:30pm	Take a cart of Activity related items to the Hospital Inpatient Veterans
Ambassadors	Individual	Monday thru Friday	6am-4:00pm	Support Hospital Operations by manning Information desk at Hospital entrance(s), giving directions, assisting patients
Book Room / Book Cart	Individual	Monday thru Friday	7am to 3pm	Organize books in Patient Day Rooms and waiting areas. Distribute books and magazines to Patient rooms and waiting rooms
Coffee Hour	Both	Weekdays	Thursdays 9am – 11am	Perform Coffee Hour—daily from 830am to 11am in the main lobby. We provide items, or groups can provide commercially prepared cookies, pastries, cream, and coffee to Patients in Bldg 3. (This only requires 2 to 3 people and can be added to another group opportunity if you have a large group)
Cookouts	Both	Holidays / Special Events	Memorial Day 4 th of July Labor Day 9am to 2pm	Assis with food prep, delivery of food to inpatients. Wear comfy shoes!
Courtesy Cart / Newspapers	Individual	Weekdays	7am-2pm	Deliver the Local Paper the wards / Take a cart of snacks and drinks to the Hospital Waiting Areas
DAV Drivers	Individual	Monday thru Friday	8am – 4pm	Transport veterans to medical appointments using DAV Vehicles
Escort	Individual	Weekdays	8am – 4pm	Assist veterans from Wards to Patient areas
Food& Nutrition	Individual	Monday thru Friday	7am to 3pm	Assemble lunch boxes, silverware packets and perform inpatient food surveys
Friendly Bedside Visits	Both	Flexible schedule	TBD	Visit Patient rooms to offer companionship/ support ABSOLUTELY no patient care involved

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Program	Individual / Group or Both	Day	Time	Assignment Description
Give Back Program	Individual	Flexible Schedule		Volunteers visit oncology patients to provide needed support and companionship. ABSOLUTELY no patient care involved
Grounds Keeping	Both	Weekdays	7am to 3pm	Assist with grounds beautification :)
Ice Cream Socials	Group	Weekdays	Early Afternoon TBD	Provide and or Assist with refreshments and activities
Movie Night	Individual	Saturday & Sunday	6pm to 9pm	Assemble refreshment cart and bring interested patients from Units to the Auditorium, serve light refreshments during the Movie
My Healthy Vet	Individual	Monday thru Friday	8am to 4pm	Assist patients with Health Portal needs
My Life / My Story /	Individual	Any day--TBD	Not open at this time	Interview Inpatient Veterans to create the patient's story to add to their medical file
Office Assistant	Individual	Monday thru Friday	7am to 3pm	Organize donations, cookie prep, clean, help with varied duties in the Voluntary Service Office
Spinal Cord Patient Feeding	Individual	Everyday	6:45 AM 12:00 PM 5:00 PM	Assist Spinal Cord injury patient with meals as needed per nurse direction
Sponsor a Donation Drive	Both	Any day--Call to schedule a Drop off time	Holidays - Special Events	Contact us for our "Urgent Need List" a generic wish list is posted on the website
Surgical Liaison	Individual	Monday thru Friday	9am to 2pm	Liaison between Recovery Room Nursing Staff and families waiting in the Surgical Waiting Room
Victory Garden Solarium	Both	Weekdays	TBD	Help plant, weed, water, upkeep Garden
Wii / Games / Trivia	Individual	Sunday to Thursday	12 to 2pm / afternoon	Assist Recreation Staff with Daily Game time

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES @ BROCKTON

Normal Hours of Operation: Monday – Friday, 8:00 AM – 4:30

PM * **Closed** on National Holidays *

Program You Will Volunteer To Help	Location	Day / Times	Assignment Description
My Health@Vet	My Health@Vet Office	Mon - Thurs 8:00am – Noon; Noon -3:30pm	Assist registering veteran patients into Online medical records portal; promote its use
Bingo	SCIU Building 8	Thursday 1:30 – 2:30 Monday 6:15pm – 7:15pm	Assist and participate in weekly bingo
Poker	SCIU Building 8	Tuesday 6:00 – 8:00pm Saturday 2:00 – 4:00pm	Assist and participate in playing cards
Coffee hour	SCIU Building 8	Mon –Sat 9:00am – 11:00am	Assist with serving coffee and clean up
Current Events	SCIU Building 8	Anytime	Read newspapers, put on talking books
Reading with Veterans	SCIU Building 8	Anytime	Reading books, magazines & newspapers to Veterans
Wii Games	SCIU Building 8	Anytime	Assist staff with Veteran Wii activity
Board Games	SCIU Building 8	Anytime	Play board games with Veterans
Computer training	SCIU Building 8	Anytime	Instruct basic computer skills, e-mail, internet
Ward Socials	SCIU Building 8	Tue Evenings 6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Host ward parties for Veterans
Billiards	SCIU Building 8	Anytime	Escort Veterans to billiards room, play billiards
Friendly Visitors	SCIU Building 8	Daily	Friendly Visitors, 1 to 1, Bedside
Cooking	SCIU Building 8	Monday or Tuesday Flexible	Assist and participate in cooking
Cribbage	SCIU Building 8	Monday – Friday Flexible	Assist and participate in playing cribbage
Bingo	Community Living Center Building 4	Wed/Fri 1:30 – 3:30	Set up and assist patients in weekly bingo
Ward Socials	Community Living Center Building 4	Tue/Thu 6:30 – 8:30	Assist with refreshments and activities
Poker	Community Living Center Building 4	Monday 1:30 – 3:30	Assist patients during games
Bowling	Community Living Center Building 4	Mon – Fri 9:00 – 11:00 1:00 – 3:00	Assist Therapist and Patients in bowling alley bldg 22
Coffee Hour	Community Living Center Building 4	Saturday 9:00 – 11:00	Assist with serving coffee and clean up

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Saturday Social	Community Living Center Building 4	Saturday 1:30 – 4:00	Assist with variety of groups
Friendly Visitors	Building 4	Daily	Assist with veterans
Computer Training	Building 4	Anytime; Flexible	Instruct basic computer skills, e-mail, internet
Rec Therapy Assistant	Building 2	Flexible	Assist staff with various patient activities
Home Based Friendly Visitor	Various Locations	By Appointment with Veteran	Friendly visitor at Veteran's home. Maintain communication with Program Supervisor
Greenhouse Program	Misc. In/Out Patient Basement Building 7 Rm B-6	M/W/F 9:30 – 11:30	Assist with greenhouse/gardening projects. Gardening/Horticulture knowledge helpful
DAV Drivers	Out Patients	Flexible hours	Transport patients to medical appointments
Catholic Chapel Escort	Bldg 2/4/8 Meet Building 24 Basement Conference Room	Sunday 9:30 – 12:00	Escort patients from wards to Chapel
Protestant Chapel Escort	Bldg 2/4/8 Meet Building 24 Basement Conference Room	Sunday 10:30 - 12:00	Escort patients from wards to Chapel
Dining Room Host/Hostess	4-1-B/4-2-B	Daily breakfast, lunch and dinner	Assist serving meals, beverages and clean-up
Nutrition Warehouse Assistant	Bldg 20	Tue, Wed and/or Thu	Lifting, moving and transporting items in the warehouse and various locations on campus. Ability to lift 40lbs is required.
Food Service Worker	Bldg 20	M – F 5am – 7pm Days & Hours Vary	Various duties involved in proper prep, service, storage, receiving and delivery of food on campus.

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