

Urgent appeal for Volunteer Drivers

Northampton Volunteer Car Scheme provides door-to-door transport to medical and well-being related appointments for the elderly and disabled in the Northampton area. The service is a lifeline for those struggling with mobility, helps them retain their independence, combats isolation and eases the stress of travel with a friendly and helpful face.

For some years now, the service has struggled to recruit volunteer drivers. The COVID pandemic has exacerbated the problem as many of the older volunteers were shielding and some have not returned to volunteer driving. We are hopeful that with changes in people's working patterns with remote and flexible working as well as a higher level of community spirit that the time is right to appeal for new, and possibly younger, volunteers to step forward to help their neighbours. Could you be a volunteer driver??

Volunteers use their own car, there should be no additional charge for charitable work on insurance and all mileage is reimbursed. A commitment to a minimum of half a day a week is normally required. Our volunteers benefit by seeing the positive impact they have by helping our members and have a real sense of purpose and value. Training and a uniform is provided.

If you would like to find out more about become a volunteer driver please get in touch:

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