

# **Volunteer Driver | Position Description**

# Make a difference – become a volunteer driver for RAN today!

**TITLE:** Volunteer Driver

**RESPONSIBLE TO:** Executive Director

**WORKS WITH:** RAN Admin Staff and Riders

**DESCRIPTION OF ROLE:** This position assists the many seniors of Naperville by providing one-on-one, escorted transportation to their routine medical appointments. The Volunteer Driver will also have the satisfaction of knowing that they have changed lives and brought a much-needed service to older adults living in Naperville.

#### **PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Use your own vehicle to pick up a senior from their home, assisting them to your vehicle if needed. Drive them to their medical appointment, wait for them, and drive them back home when they are ready. This is door-to-door service. RAN prides itself on waiting for the rider so they are not anxious about getting home.
- Keep the best interest of the rider at the center of what you do.

### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Have the sincere desire to help meet the needs of the elderly
- Own your own vehicle
- Have a valid Illinois driver's license
- Carry auto insurance
- RAN will run a background check and ask for two references
- At least 5 years of driving experience with a good driving record
- Must be within the ages of 21-84

## **DESIRED, BUT NOT REQUIRED, EXPERIENCE:**

- Previous experience working or volunteering with older adults
- Previous experience in transportation
- History of transporting older adults on errands or appointments

**TRAINING:** Initial training and orientation will be provided, as well as additional support and training to be developed as the program grows.

**TIME COMMITMENT:** Volunteers choose their own driving assignments and how often they volunteer. There is a minimum of at least 1 every 6 months to stay as an active volunteer. An average ride will be about 2.5 hours long but varies from case to case.

#### **BENEFITS:**

- Flexible schedule
- Be a contributing member of *your* community
- Volunteering is good for you! Boost your own happiness by giving back
- This is a volunteer position, there is no monetary compensation