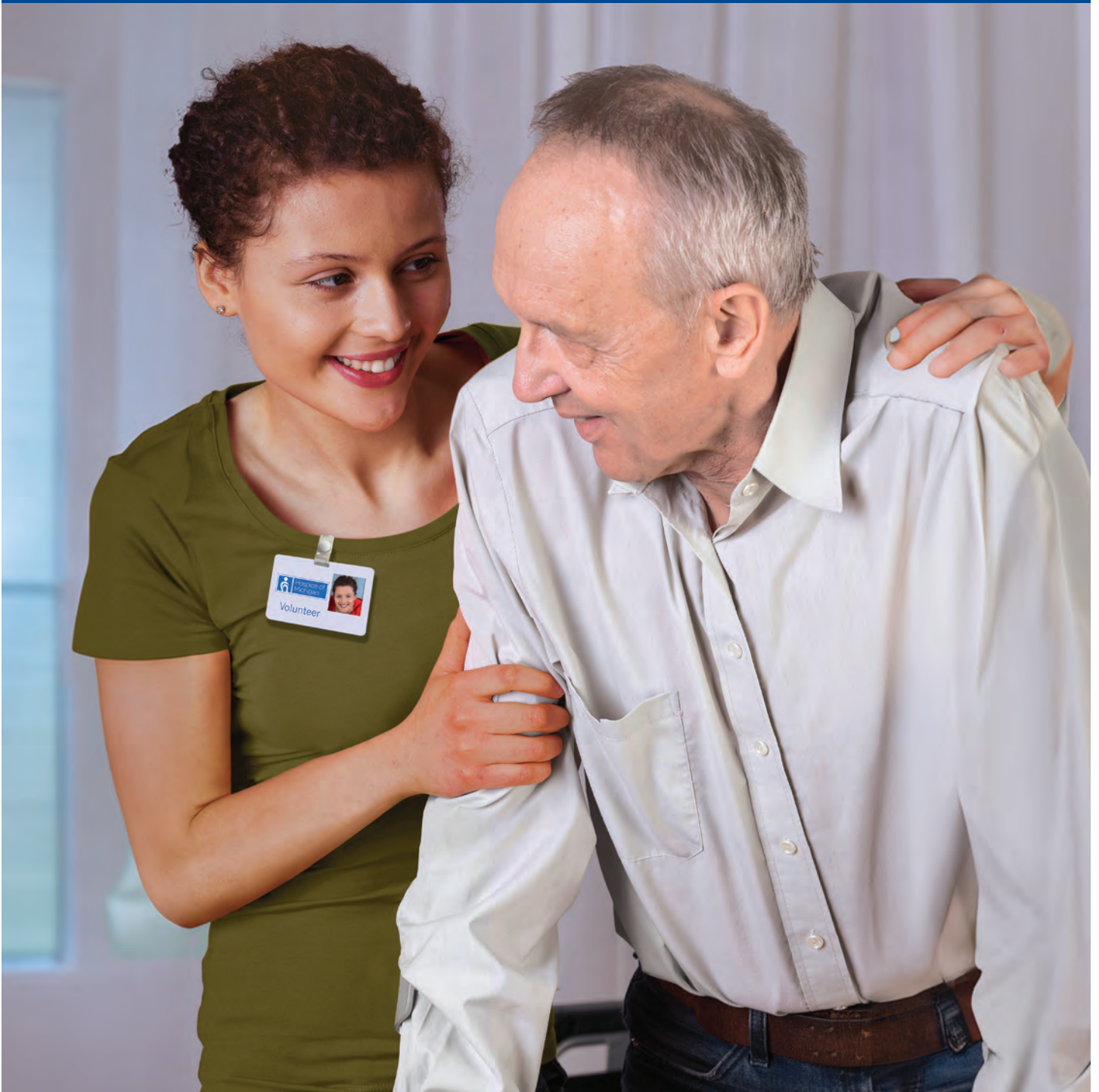


LEND A HAND SHARE YOUR HEART

Volunteering with Hospice of Michigan



Hospice supports patients and families through their end-of-life journey. Volunteers are there at every step, helping in countless ways. Won't you join us?



What is hospice?

Hospice is a philosophy of care that enables people to make decisions about their own care and comfort when cure is not an option. Directed by the individual, hospice offers a compassionate alternative — comfort care — for people living with advanced chronic illnesses and support for their families.

Most patients live in their own homes or the home of a relative or friend. Hospice of Michigan also cares for people who live in nursing homes, adult foster care facilities and assisted living facilities.

What do hospice volunteers do?

Here are just a few of the many ways volunteers serve:

GRIEF SUPPORT

- Calling or visiting bereaved families
- Assisting with support groups
- Helping with memorials or veteran ceremonies

ONE-ON-ONE SUPPORT

- Visiting with patients and families in homes and care facilities
- Visiting with veterans
- Staying with the patient while a family member takes a well-deserved break

ADMINISTRATION

- Data entry
- Organizing paperwork and filing
- Office support and special projects

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- Assisting at community events
- Educating the community about Hospice of Michigan

The choice is yours. We'll provide the training and support to help you succeed.



All it takes is a desire to help

WHAT WE ASK OF VOLUNTEERS

- Complete an application, a background check form, and an interview
- Upon acceptance: complete fingerprinting and a TB test
- Attend the required basic training (6 hours), the additional training module(s) required for specific assignments (grief support, working with pediatric patients, etc.), and in-service and educational opportunities offered
- Make a commitment to accept an assignment each month
- Check off a form for every activity and submit it in a timely manner

GET INVOLVED

To apply to be a volunteer, complete an application at www.hom.org/volunteer-application or call (toll-free) 888-247-5701, to speak with a Volunteer Services staff member.



Hospice of Michigan volunteer, Phuong Hua.

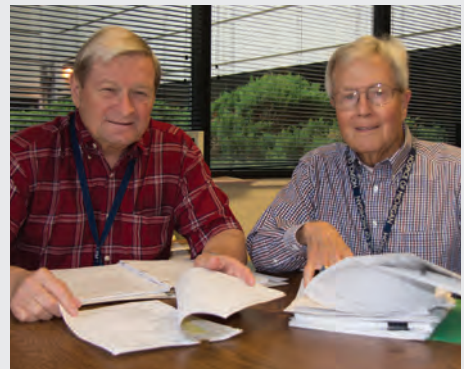
Hospice volunteers are a special breed of heroes. Every day, in ways large and small, they put their skills, talents and interests to work for the good of the patients and families we serve.

Opportunities with Hospice of Michigan are as varied as the individuals who step up to volunteer. We work hard to find the right fit and provide the right support so that

everyone can contribute with confidence. Some volunteers choose to offer a listening ear or a helping hand to patients and families in care facilities and residences. Others choose to provide clerical support in our administrative offices, help with fundraising or promote our work in the community.

No matter the task, again and again something unexpected and wonderful happens for our volunteers. In giving of themselves, they find they receive even more in return.

Ralph Jones (left) and Tom Morgan help with office duties at Hospice of Michigan.



A nationally recognized leader in end-of-life care, Hospice of Michigan is the original—and largest—not-for-profit hospice provider in the state. Since 1978, we have remained committed to our not-for-profit mission to care for all those who need and seek our care regardless of age, diagnosis or financial circumstances.

As a member of the NorthStar Care Community, we collaborate with other not-for-profit providers, sharing a goal to continually provide unsurpassed care, guidance and quality of life for patients facing serious illness, which includes practicing the highest standards of hospice and palliative care. Collectively, we touch the lives of more than 9,800 patients and families each year.



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