



## NORFOLK COUNTY RSVP PROGRAM AREAS



### Senior Companion / Friendly Visitor Program

Norfolk County RSVP companions touch the lives of adults who need extra assistance to live independently in their own homes or residential communities. They serve frail and older disabled adults, those with illnesses, and offer respite to caregivers. Offering companionship and friendship to isolated adults, they may assist with simple chores, provide transportation, help with money management and organizing budgets/bill payments, or other services.

### Emergency Preparedness Program

Norfolk County RSVP is partnering with The American Red Cross to offer instructor-led courses designed for volunteers to acquire knowledge of Red Cross policies and procedures for setting up, running, and closing emergency shelters during a disaster. The course includes lecture and group exercises and will help prepare participants to manage shelter operations effectively and sensitively as a team while meeting the needs of people displaced as a result of a disaster.

### Reading and Tutoring Program

Norfolk County RSVP Volunteer Reading Tutors devote their time to elementary school children by providing literacy training and emotional support for children who lack the confidence to develop their reading skills. They may assist a teacher by working with children in small groups or one-on-one, depending on the volunteer's preference and students' needs.

### Meals on Wheels / Food Pantries

Norfolk County RSVP is dedicated to helping seniors and those with disabilities who are house bound receive meals through this program. RSVP has nutrition sites where meals are served to clients in need, as well as food pantries which the Norfolk County Commissioners help support. If you'd like to help deliver meals to seniors or help prepare and serve meals at a local center, or work in a food pantry, please let us know, we can use your help!

### Jail Mentoring Program

Norfolk County RSVP, with Norfolk County Sheriff's Office (NCSO) is recruiting volunteers for the correctional facilities in Dedham, Braintree, and Quincy. Volunteers meet with individuals or groups of inmates, with NCSO staff present in educational, re-entry, outreach, and substance abuse prevention programs. NCSO is also recruiting volunteers for general administrative duties.

**Norfolk County RSVP Members may choose a permanent, temporary, or seasonal assignment; you can opt to work in groups, in pairs, or alone – the choice is yours!**

**Find out more about becoming a Norfolk County RSVP Member by calling today and we'll walk you through the rest!**



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## Norfolk County RSVP Staff



Brian Buckley, Director of Norfolk County RSVP has a long history of Community Service in the South Shore area. He brings a wealth of experience with many intergenerational and volunteer programs to Norfolk County' RSVP.



Sally O'Connell, Information Specialist, has worked extensively with software information programs and Human Resources. She maintains a strong system of communication between volunteers, partner sites, and RSVP staff that expedites the delivery of services to the members of our communities in Norfolk County.



Kim Driscoll works for the Norfolk County Sheriff's Office in the Communications Division; she has been on staff for over six years. She coordinates the NCSO monthly employee newsletter and office brochures and works with the RSVP Volunteer Reading and Tutoring program.



Elizabeth Larkin of Brookline joined the RSVP staff as Recruitment Coordinator in April of 2007. Her background is in Community Outreach and Public Relations. Her primary focus is to raise awareness of the vital role that all Norfolk County RSVP volunteers play in the social and economic success of their communities.