



# Montague Villages

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS



## OUR MISSION:

Montague Villages helps adults over sixty residing in the Town of Montague to age in place with dignity and independence by offering volunteer services, access to information, and community connections.

**Montague Villages** is an all-volunteer organization. We are open to suggestions from the community, and know that we can make great things happen when we work together for the benefit of all.

**Please consider getting involved and help grow our organization!**

## **OUR HISTORY**

More than a year ago a group of Montague residents began meeting to determine the need and desire for a “village” network of neighborly volunteers to help people 60 and over who wish to continue living independent, engaged lives in their homes. From those meetings, Montague Villages was formed. More than 150 people have expressed interest.

The organization is part of the national Village-to-Village network, a member-driven non-profit organization that has grown from just one “village” in Boston to more than 350 nation-wide.

## **WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?**

Montague Villages established an eight-member Board of Directors, working committees, as well as getting assistance from individuals, to successfully make our vision operational. Our fiscal sponsor, Common Good, provides non-profit status and allows individuals to make tax-deductible donations.

Many local businesses and individuals have contributed funds to support our mission. We continue to seek donations for operating expenses such as insurance, printing, outreach, and events. In order to develop community connections to Montague Villages, and increase awareness of our goals, we will soon hold information sessions and events.

Our website, [www.montaguevillages.org](http://www.montaguevillages.org) contains a wealth of information for potential members and volunteers. Check often for news and information.

Members of our Volunteer and Membership Committees are creating volunteer and membership application forms and handbooks. Volunteers will organize attend orientation and training sessions; and for the safety and security of everyone, all volunteers must agree to a CORI check.

## **WHAT WILL BE OFFERED**

Depending on interests and abilities, we hope our volunteers will:

- Provide rides to appointments, grocery stores, medical appointments, libraries and more.
- Help with simple household chores, light yard work, and technical support.
- Offer phone checks and/or companionship visits.
- Provide referrals for tasks beyond the scope of our volunteers.
- Respond to community needs as they evolve.

## HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Volunteer to become a service provider, to serve on a committee, or to help with specific tasks such as event planning.
- Make a tax-deductible donation:  
Make checks out to our Fiscal Sponsor, Common Good, with “for Montague Villages” on the memo line, mail to Common Good, PO Box 21, Ashfield, MA 01330.

To become a member or volunteer  
please go to our website:  
[www.montaguevillages.org](http://www.montaguevillages.org)

## WANT TO KNOW MORE?

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