

MARY FEILDING GUILD

VOLUNTEERING INFORMATION

How to become a volunteer

We are looking for Volunteers to assist our residents maintain their independence and offer friendship. Examples of support are:

- Accompanying a resident on a hospital visit, theatre or museum visit, shopping
- A walking companion
- Regularly visiting residents
- Assisting residents in computer use
- Hosting discussion groups
- Providing a lecture on a topic of interest
- Attending entertainment in the Guild or on coach trips
- Poetry/Play readings; book reading; scrabble
- Music recitals
- Anything you think may interest our residents will be gladly considered
- Accompanying residents for coffee in Highgate
- A knitting club

What is the time commitment?

We are happy to consider any time that you can offer

How do I apply?

Just fill in the brief application form and return it to us. We will contact you to arrange a time when you can come and visit the Guild. The law requires that anyone who volunteers to support older people must be checked by the Criminal Records Bureau. Additionally, we will require two character references.

I don't have time to volunteer but would like to support a local charity

Mary Feilding Guild has launched a Benefit Fund Appeal with a target of raising £750,000. This is to provide financial support to residents who could not otherwise afford to live here. Please go to our website for further information.



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Guild Residents

Residents have enjoyed different life experiences. They share a desire to continue an autonomous, active and stimulating life relying on a convivial atmosphere, enquiring minds and some shared interests - governed by courtesy and kindness towards each other. They are supported to live as independently as they did at home, with their care needs attended to and without the tiresome practicalities of daily living. So often, care homes are seen as a last resort, but that argument bears little weight when the residents of the Guild are considered, many of whom retain a zest for life, piercing wit, strength of opinion and care for others well into their late 90s and beyond.

The BBC is due to broadcast a documentary in their "Storyville" series this summer about our residents and their lives in the Guild called "The Time of their Lives".

The Guild has a care for life policy and naturally there is a variety of physical capability as a result. As a Charity we are especially mindful of the difficulties facing many people today. Consequently, it has launched a benefit fund appeal to help support those who may not otherwise be able to live here.



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