

SAFETY FOR SENIORS

Goal:

As a Safety for Seniors volunteer you will reduce fall and fire hazards in homes of older adults by conducting home safety checks at care recipients' residences.

Qualifications (in addition to those of the Volunteer Caregiver):

- Good observation, listening and communication skills
- Able to provide a vehicle to transport yourself and a partner between the program office and safety check recipients' homes (car pools can be arranged if necessary)
- Physically able to maneuver steps

Responsibilities (in addition to those of the Volunteer Caregiver):

- Attend Safety for Seniors training, usually on the same day as the safety checks
- Contact the volunteer coordinator as soon as possible if volunteer commitment cannot be kept
- Care for and return any Safety for Seniors supplies borrowed for the checks
- Install smoke alarms in homes if needed using a cordless drill, and bring your own drill to use if possible
- Fill out all paperwork properly

Reporting:

- Hours will be collected on each day of service: Volunteers will sign in when arriving and check out when leaving