



## SENIOR COMPANION PROGRAM (SCP) VOLUNTEER ROLE DESCRIPTION

### Responsibilities

- Serve 15-40 hours per week in person-to-person relationships
- Monthly time reporting to SCP Station Managers/Staff
- Attend monthly 5-hour in-service training
- Provide non-medical companionship to older adult client(s)
- Assist older adult client(s) in navigating resources/education
- Assist older adult client(s) with transportation (optional)

**Initial Impact** Helping improve the quality of life for older adult client(s).

**Outcomes** SCP will achieve goals of increased opportunity for older adults to age at home. Increased socialization with peers and connections (people, places, resources, and activities) for older adults in Eastern Los Angeles and Western San Bernardino Counties. Members will assist in inspiring the community engagement of people aged 55+.

**Trainings** Required pre-service training sessions totaling 40 hrs. (prior to being appointed a client), and ongoing monthly in-service trainings.

**Support** Volunteer station staff, volunteer leaders, SCP team.

**Commitment** Minimum of 12 months  
*\*Must provide monthly documentation of service to maintain benefits*

**Amount of Time** Minimum of 5-hours per week with each older adult client is required and a minimum of 15 hours weekly to maintain an active status

**Time of Day** Scheduling and activities with clients are based on mutual interests.  
Monday - Friday between 8:00 AM & 5:00 PM only

**Location** Chino, Chino Hills, Claremont, La Verne, Montclair, Ontario, Pomona, Upland and Rancho Cucamonga

**Qualifications** Age 55 years or older. Live in service area (see above). Meet income eligibility and physical clearance requirements. Due to

recurring access or episodic access to vulnerable populations, service in this role is contingent on the following checks: FBI & DOJ, and National Sex Offender Public Website (NSOPW). Candidate must also possess a personal automobile, a current California driver's license and maintain valid automobile insurance. Availability to meet ongoing requirements.

### **Preferred Skills**

- Demonstrate an appropriate interest in older adults and their welfare
- Ability to communicate effectively both orally and in writing
- Flexible as situations change
- Able to work independently and accept supervision (as needed)

### **Benefits**

Hourly stipend of \$2.65 per hour served, and reimbursements based upon availability of following: mileage (between volunteer's home and volunteer site) and four (4) meals monthly @ \$2.00 each. Opportunity to build relationships with people, become an active participant in the community, receive training, learn new skills, SCP provided supplemental accidental and liability insurance, annual recognition event, and being part of a nationwide volunteer program.

### **Program Info**

*Senior Companion Program (SCP)* is part of Senior Corps and is administrated by the Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), the federally funded agency that improves lives, strengthens communities, and fosters civic engagement through service and volunteering.

*Community Senior Services (CSS)* is a 501(c)(3) not-for-profit organization that provides a broad array of programs, services, and support for older adults, caregivers, and others interested in enhancing aging services in our community. The organization's mission is to support and educate adults and their families to maintain independence and to age well at home and in the community.

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