# EASTERN AREA AGENCY ON AGING JOB DESCRIPTION

**VOLUNTEER ASSIGNMENT: Phone Friend Volunteer** 

REPORTS TO: Volunteer Director

GOAL OF ASSIGNMENT: To make friendly social telephone call to an older person

## **JOB SUMMARY:**

- 1. Responsible for initiating calls to a Phone Friend receiver.
- 2. Maintain records of calls made to Phone Friend receiver and report hours to Volunteer Director.

## **CORE ELEMENTS OF THE JOB:**

- 1. Make calls within local calling area.
- 2. Schedule time to talk on the telephone at a mutually agreed upon time with Phone Friend receiver.
- 3. Initiate calls on a regular basis to Phone Friend.
- 4. Report to Volunteer Director on a regular basis in person or by telephone.

### TASKS AND DUTIES:

- 1. Review Volunteer Handbook and Volunteer Training manual and keep up to date with changes in policies and procedures.
- 2. Report any issues that arise to the Volunteer Director.

Estimated hours: Varies - volunteer determines number of times per week they will call as well as

the length of telephone call.

Scheduling: Flexible - volunteer and recipient arrange a time of day/week that works best for them.

Worksite: Home - will make calls in local calling area.

## **QUALIFICATIONS SOUGHT:**

- 1. Friendly, sociable
- 2. Good telephone skills
- Become familiar with issues surrounding the elderly and disabled
- Willingness to contribute time to develop a friendship with an agency phone friend client

#### **BENEFITS:**

1. Flexibility to work from home.