"Volunteering has allowed me to give back to a community who helped my family in times of need. It has benefited me by bringing happiness and relief to a family in need of a positive influence in their lives."

-Caitlyn (Volunteer)

If you're interested in joining the Embrace Hospice team, please contact an Embrace Hospice office near you or stop in and see us

# BECOME A VOLUNTEER

Make a Difference

#### DO YOU...

- Want to make a difference in your community?
- Want to be a part of a great ministry and team
- Want to develop new friend-ships?
- Want to network with others?
- Want to use your talents and gifts to benefit others?
- Want to help those in their greatest time of need?

If your answer is YES to these questions, then we have the perfect fit for you as a part of our volunteer team!

#### **LOCATION**

175 Village Center Blvd., Myrtle Beach, SC 29579



www.EmbraceHospice.org



## What is hospice?

## Becoming a volunteer is easy

## Veteran to Veteran Program



Hospice care seeks to enable patients to carry on an alert, pain-free life and to man-age other symptoms so that their last days may be spent with dignity and quality at home or in a home setting.



Being an Embrace Hospice volunteer is easy and can be very rewarding, no only for the patient, but also for the volunteer.



All Veterans should be given the opportunity to be recognized for the service. Veteran Volunteering allows Veterans the opportunity to tell their stories, express any last feelings, or bond with fellow Veterans.

#### **OUR HOSPICE NEEDS YOU**

Every hospice relies on volunteer support to provide ecellent end-of-life care to each patient and family.

Hospice volunteers provide companionship to people living with a serious illness and help their family in a variety of ways.

- PATIENT SUPPORT This can consist of reading with patients, listening to music, taking walks, etc.
- SUPPORT FOR FAMILY Assist with small tasks or visit with patients while family runs errands.
- BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT Assist the Be-reavement Team with mailings and provide support to patient's family.
- ADMINISTRATIVE WORK Assist office staff with simple administrative duties and mailings.

By being a hospice volunteer, you can gain great personal graitification in knowing that you made an impact at the most critical time in another person's life.

#### **BECOMING A VOLUNTEER**

To become an Embrace Hospice volunteer, all you must do is:

- Complete the volunteer applicataion
- Be 18 years of age or older
- Complete Background Check
- Complete training program and orientation

## EMBRACE TRAINS OUR VOLUNTEERS

All volunteers receive specialized training covering the following areas:

- Philosophy & Overview of Hospice Services
- Physical, emotional, and spirtiual issues that people can encounter during a terminal illness.
- · Effective communication skills
- Family Dynamics and Relationships
- · Grief and Loss
- HIPAA regulations

### THE IMPORTANCE OF VETERAN VOLUNTEERS

- Volunteers are essential to the delivery of quality hospice care
- Veterans are part of a distinct culture with their own common language and experience.
- When Veterans interact, their common language and experience can form a strong relational bond.
- The camaraderie created between Veterans has proven to be supportive for all involved.

## AS A VETERAN VOLUNTEER YOU CAN....

- Assist Veterans in reminiscing/telling stories
- Educate and assist patietns in recieving Veteran benefits
- Take part in pinning ceremonies or distribute certificates for Veteran's Day and other recognition events.
- Assist in replacing lost medals