



NORFOLK COUNTY RSVP VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Your Invitation to Respond to Your Community

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Introducing Robert Pierson

Norfolk County welcomes Robert Pierson to our staff as RSVP Recruitment Coordinator. Robert has extensive experience in volunteer recruitment and management positions for blindness and elder organizations in the Greater Boston area. He is also trained in Stanford University evidence-based Healthy Aging programs including My Life, My Health: Chronic Disease and Diabetes Self Management. He has extensive volunteer experience for such organizations as Jewish Family Service Metrowest, Recordings for the Blind and Dyslexic and Brookline Council on Aging. Robert holds an MBA in Marketing from Baruch College, City University of New York. Robert recruits volunteers, builds and maintains relationships with RSVP community partners, with a strong focus on meeting the needs of our veterans.



Time Sheet Reminders:

Meals on Wheels drivers get reimbursement for their route miles through HESSCO or South Shore Elder Services. Please report only miles for your commute from home to the kitchen on RSVP timesheets.

If you need blank timesheets, please call the RSVP office at 781-329-5728



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Father Bill's, Quincy—One volunteer is needed each morning to assist the support staff as the guests leave the shelter for the day. Volunteers will help with check-out and will have lots of interaction with shelter guests. Time 6-8am.

Meals on Wheels Drivers—Franklin Meals on Wheels could use 1 or 2 back-up drivers to deliver meals when regular volunteers are away. One weekly driver is needed to pick up meals in Milford for Medway residents. Norwood Meals on Wheels mentioned a need for kitchen help any day of the week! Call RSVP for needs in your town.

Quincy Career Center—Volunteers assist the Career Center's veteran specialists by making outreach calls to veterans. Volunteers also perform searches in job databases to find relevant opportunities for individual veterans.

RSVP Lifetime Award Recipients Shine!!!

Adrian Figure, 95 (left) has been volunteering with New England Sinai Hospital for over two decades as a messenger. 'I love going in...I would be there 5 instead a of 3 days a week if I could.' says Mr. Figure, smiling with gratitude for the relationships he has formed at the hospital.

Filomena Dentino, 94 and Jerry Seely, 93 are two other Lifetime Award recipients who we visited this month at their homes, to honor them and express our appreciation for their many years of service as they were not able to attend our recent luncheon.

RSVP Volunteers Assist Veteran Patients with My HealthVet Website



Ilene Moore of Norwood, Lillian Hartman, RSVP Director and Lloyd Smith of Walpole discussed the My HealthVet Program at the Norwood Career Center.

Norfolk County RSVP continues to seek diverse opportunities to offer you and other prospective volunteers towards serving and supporting our Veterans. Ilene Moore and Lloyd Smith recently signed up and have been accepted into the My HealthVet program at the West Roxbury VA Hospital.

They will each promote the My HealthVet website, assisting veterans on registering for and using the portal to enhance the veteran's ability to keep track of their health records and services.

We thank Ilene and Lloyd for stepping up to the plate by volunteering to help vets in this unique way. Norfolk County RSVP seeks interested volunteer prospects to be part of the My HealthVet Program at the Brockton VA Hospital. Requirements include taking two online Veteran Administration exams and committing to two 4-hour shifts per week. We are seeking individuals 55 years and older, who are comfortable using computer websites. Please contact Robert Pierson, Norfolk County RSVP Recruitment Coordinator at 781-234-3445 or email: rpierson@norfolkcounty.org

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- Peter H. Collins of Milton, Commissioner
- John M. Gillis of Quincy, Commissioner
- Francis W. O'Brien of Dedham, Chairman



Inspiring Messages from RSVP Volunteers



Jeri Rumsis (left) was a lead organizer for the Dedham American Legion Post 18 Annual Legacy Ride in September. She thanked bikers for supporting Legacy Fund scholarships, saying: "If you asked a fallen soldier what you could do for him, he'd ask you to take care of his kids."

Ora McGuire (right) folded paper cranes and invited visitors to think about world peace at the Junior Women's Nonprofit Networking Fair at Walpole Public Library last month.

If you'd like RSVP staff to visit or present at a community event, please call 781-329-5728.

