

# Volunteering

## I would like to volunteer to:

- Provide transportation to and from appointments
- Pick-up people after medical procedures
- Run errands
- Assist with computers
- Assist with insurance forms

## I would like to receive:

- Transportation to and from appointments
- Transportation after medical procedures
- Errand running services
- Assistance with computers
- Assistance with insurance forms

Please tell us about other services you can provide or would like to receive.

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# Services

Initially, DCV will phase in the following services to members in the order listed:

- Transportation escorts for groceries and pharmacies
- Rides to and from medical appointments and procedures
- Assistance with computers, other electronics and insurance forms
- Handyman jobs, yard work and snow shoveling

As we grow, DCV hopes to expand its services to include social activities and health-related items such as exercise groups. We also plan to develop relationships with groups like IONA Senior Services that offer additional activities and health related courses.

Accurately assessing the types of services needed and enlisting volunteers in sufficient numbers is the key to ensuring our success.



**Dupont Circle  
Residents Form  
'Aging in Place'  
Village**

**Join Us!**



## DCV Mission Statement

*The Dupont Circle Village is a nonprofit neighborhood organization that connects residents to services that enable them to stay in their homes as they age and face new challenges*

## Why Start a Village?

Today, many people want to remain in their homes as they age, but they share concerns about possible illnesses, disabilities or hardships. A neighborhood village creates a voluntary system that provides needed service coupled with companionship. Similar villages are being formed here in DC, the region and across the country.

## How Does It Work?

We plan to begin slowly, relying on volunteers to provide a few simple services. Eventually we may hire a paid director who will coordinate volunteers and members in need of services. DCV will be incorporated as a tax-exempt organization and will be sustained through dues, grants and contributions. We hope to begin the fall of 2008.

## Membership

The Dupont Circle Village is composed of residents of Dupont Circle who have volunteered to provide or receive services to promote “aging in place.”

Although the details have not yet been determined, membership dues will be assessed yearly and subsidies may be available for residents as needed.

DCV has also applied for grants from other organizations and will apply for funding that is being proposed for the District’s 2009 budget. We will raise additional money through fundraising and special community events.

*“Having lived in the Dupont Circle area for over 50 years, it would be hard to leave this charming and convenient neighborhood,” resident Julia Cuniberti says. “The idea of an ‘urban village’ where I can stay in my home and get help with chores and perhaps still lend a hand with local needs is a very attractive prospect.”*



## Why Should I Get Involved?

Nationally we are an aging population, and we in Dupont Circle reflect these demographic trends. Many of us want to stay here and are seeking ways to do it gracefully.

Most people share a powerful impulse for friendship and a desire to reach out to help others. We want to be involved within our community and to be part of a valuable neighborhood resource.

DCV offers the opportunity to help neighbors and, at the same time, provides assurance that when you want assistance, DCV will be ready to respond to your needs.

I would like to learn more about DCV:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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