



Montague Villages

NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS



OUR MISSION:

Montague Villages helps adults over sixty residing in the Town of Montague to age in place with dignity and independence by offering volunteer services, access to information, and community connections.

Montague Villages is an all-volunteer organization. We are open to suggestions from the community, and know that we can make great things happen when we work together for the benefit of all.

Please consider getting involved and help grow our organization!

OUR HISTORY

In the winter of 2023, a group of Montague residents began meeting to determine the need and desire for a “village” network of volunteers to help people 60 and over who wish to live independent, engaged lives in their homes, with some help from neighbors and friends.

From those meetings, Montague Villages was formed. The organization is part of the national Village-to-Village network, a member-driven non-profit organization that has grown from just one “village” in Boston to more than 300 nation-wide.

There are “Villages” in our neighboring towns, and they are thriving.

WHAT'S HAPPENING NOW?

Still in its early stages, Montague Villages is recruiting board and committee members, working closely with other villages, researching available resources, and organizing community meetings to

spread the word. By September 2023 more than 100 people had expressed interest in Montague Villages.

We are fundraising! Initial contributions by the Board of Directors, Gill-Montague Council on Aging, and Montague Villages members, allowed us to purchase our Run My Village website and data base, and to join the national Village to Village organization. **Please consider making a donation to get your local volunteer network up and running.**

We have signed an agreement with Common Good to be our Fiscal Sponsor. Common Good is a 501(c)(3) non-profit, tax exempt organization.



WHAT WILL BE OFFERED

Once Montague Villages is up and running, volunteers plan to:

- Provide rides to appointments, grocery stores, medical appointments, libraries and more.
- Help with simple household chores, light yard work, and technical support.
- Offer phone checks and/or companionship visits.
- Provide referrals for tasks beyond the scope of our volunteers.
- Respond to community needs as they evolve.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Volunteer to serve on a committee:
Fundraising, Technology, Outreach,
Research, Finance, Governance
- Become a member of the Board.
- Make a tax-deductible donation of any
size to help with start-up expenses:
Make checks out to our Fiscal
Sponsor, Common Good with "for
Montague Villages" on the memo line,
mailed to Common Good, PO Box 21,
Ashfield, MA 01330.

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