

FriendshipWorks Boston Community Ambassador for Southwest Boston -
(Dorchester, Roxbury, Hyde Park, Mattapan, Roslindale)
(part-time, stipend)

- ✓ Do you care about the health and wellbeing of older adults in the Boston community?
- ✓ Are you interested in making a difference in your neighborhood or community?
- ✓ Are you excited about motivating others to get involved?

We want to hear from you!

The Role

We're seeking an outgoing Boston resident who will become a Community Ambassador for FriendshipWorks. Come learn about what we do to help reduce social isolation and loneliness for older adults and create a better world to age in.

You'll talk to your family, friends, neighbors, congregations, and other community members about FriendshipWorks, the importance of addressing social isolation and loneliness, and how they can get involved by volunteering in our programs.

The Ambassador will work 40-45 hours per month, approximately 10 hours per week (weekly schedule somewhat flexible). Candidates should be available to work during the day at least three Saturdays or Sundays each month.

Primary responsibilities include:

- Learning about the issues that impact older adults, such as ageism and loneliness, and gaining a deep understanding of FriendshipWorks' mission and programs.
- Connecting with people and organizations in the Southwest neighborhoods of Boston about the issues that impact older adults and how FriendshipWorks can help.
- Talking to members of local congregations (churches, synagogues, mosques, etc.) about volunteering at FriendshipWorks.
- Attending community events to talk to community members about FriendshipWorks' mission, programs, and volunteer opportunities.
- Meeting for regular check-ins with the Volunteer Coordinator and Program Coordinator(s).
- Sharing with FriendshipWorks staff about needs you see or hear about in the community.

Desired Skills:

- Desire to learn more about how social isolation and aging affect older adults in your community.
- Ability to enthusiastically communicate with others about FriendshipWorks' mission and programs.
- Ability to travel, by car or public transportation, throughout the neighborhoods of Dorchester, Roxbury, Hyde Park, Mattapan, and Roslindale.
- Comfortable using email to communicate with FriendshipWorks staff and other community members.
- Bilingual Spanish/English is a plus.

Pay and Benefits:

This is a part-time position paid at a stipend rate of \$400/month for 40 hours of work. This employee will also receive reimbursement each month for a Zone 1 MBTA pass, allowing unlimited use of the T and buses for transportation.

The position is available immediately but we can be flexible regarding the exact start date. The ambassador position is funded through December 2025, with the possibility of extending for another 24 months if agreed to by both the ambassador and FriendshipWorks.

The Organization

FriendshipWorks is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that has been supporting older adults in Boston for over 40 years. All our programs are free to older adults of any background, culture, language, faith, or income.

Our mission is to reduce isolation, enhance the quality of life, and preserve the dignity of older adults in Greater Boston. We accomplish this by recruiting and training compassionate volunteers and matching them with opportunities to visit, support, and assist their older adult neighbors.

How to Apply:

Learn more about us at www.fw4elders.org!

FriendshipWorks is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion or creed, gender, sexual orientation, marital status, age, veteran status, disability or any other legally protected status recognized by federal, state or local law with respect to employment opportunities.

If you are interested in this community ambassador role, please submit a resume and 3-5 sentences telling us why you want to work with FriendshipWorks and are interested in this role to jobs@fw4elders.org. Please put Community Ambassador in the subject line.