



**POSITION TITLE:** Volunteer Chore Program Volunteer

**DEPARTMENT:** Volunteer Center of Whatcom County

**SUPERVISOR:** Abby Lund

**HOURS AND COMMITMENT:** Hours and days are flexible

**OUR MISSION:** *To act as a catalyst for positive change, both in the community and in the lives of the people we serve.*

**POSITION SUMMARY:**

A Volunteer Chore Program volunteer helps low-income seniors and adults with disabilities throughout Whatcom County with basic essential tasks that are critical to keeping their independence. Volunteers provide assistance on an ongoing, or one-time basis to help with tasks of their choice. They can help independently, in pairs, or in groups.

**ESSENTIAL DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:**

- Volunteers choose from a variety of tasks, including: light housework, essential transportation, mail reading, yard care, animal care, small home repairs, meal preparation, computer literacy, and food bank deliveries to homebound clients.

**DESIRABLE SKILLS:**

- Strong communication skills, dependable and for certain projects-carpentry, plumbing and experience with power tools.

**TRAINING:**

- Training is provided-no previous experience is necessary.

**PHYSICAL REQUIREMENTS:**

- Sitting, Standing and Walking.

**VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS:**

- Three references, Washington State Patrol Background Check, valid driver's license and car insurance.

**WORKING CONDITIONS:**

Work is mainly done in a client's home, independently with support when needed from Program Coordinator. Volunteers can create their own schedule and volunteer as often or as little as they want. Volunteers are matched with a client based on their skills, interests and schedule.

**BENEFITS:**

- Builds valuable experience for certain university majors (Human Services, Psychology, Sociology, etc.)
- Letters of recommendation can be provided after minimum 6 month commitment

**APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Open until filled. There is always a need to be met and a spot for a volunteer.

**TO APPLY:** Apply online at <http://www.oppco.org/how-to-help/>, please specify "Volunteer Chore Program Volunteer" in the "Special Skills" section of the application.