

## Volunteer Considerations

Volunteering in a hospice can be a very difficult yet very rewarding task. We want to outline some important things to reflect on as you decide if volunteering for hospice is for you.

- The sensitive nature of hospice, end of life and grief and bereavement support.
- The sensitive and special needs of resident's and their families/friends.
- The goals of hospice care. (The goals are to provide quality, and compassionate end of life care to those who are in their end of life journey and their loved ones.
  Our main priority is comfort as we embrace the natural progression of life.)
- ARCH is a non-denominational setting.
- You may experience differing in opinions, values, beliefs and ways of living.
- You may experience a death during your volunteer role.
- You may come in contact with someone you know as a resident, family member, or visitor.
- We require all volunteers to maintain confidentiality within hospice as well as outside of hospice.
- End of Life and Grief are unique journey's to everyone. The way you deal with these topics may not be the same as others.
- We offer end-of-life care to all ages.