

## VISITING LIBRARY VOLUNTEER

### Overview

The Stratford Public Library fosters an interest in reading and life-long learning. The Visiting Library Service supports this philosophy by delivering custom-selected library materials to customers who are unable to access the physical Library, and who cannot or choose not to access the Library digitally. This service is made possible, in large part, courtesy of volunteers.

### Requirements

- 1-3 hours minimum, once a month; minimum 6-month commitment
- clear Police Background and Vulnerable Sector check (reimbursed)
- demonstrated ability to communicate and interact with seniors and other ages in a variety of situations, and with people of diverse backgrounds

### Process

Volunteers are assigned a number of patrons (to be determined), and contacted as deliveries arise. Patrons and volunteers may choose to incorporate a brief visit at the time of delivery or pick up.

### Training

We provide orientation and training that covers program philosophy, volunteer responsibilities, and specific program parameters.

### Location

Patron residences and/or senior residences within the Stratford city limits.

### Benefit

This role allows for a reasonable degree of flexibility and appeals to those who want to volunteer but may still be working full time, or have other responsibilities that make a fixed volunteer schedule challenging. This role can also accommodate a volunteer who may want a seasonal opportunity because they winter out of county, for example.