



Village Membership Criteria

- You should be aged 55 or older or 18 plus with a chronic illness or disability.
- You must have the capacity to live independently* and communicate your needs effectively.
- You need to live within the [service area](#). Neighbors living on streets that form the boundary between Village Without Walls and Viva Village may choose which Village they wish to join. This allows friends who live on either side of the boundary street to be members of the same Village.
- If you need transportation, you must be able to get around without depending on a wheelchair or mobility scooter exclusively. A walker or cane is acceptable. The Village does not use lift vans and our volunteers cannot lift wheelchairs or mobility scooters.

* **Capacity for living independently** — Village members must be:

- Responsible for and capable of making key decisions about their own lives.
- Living in a residence that presents no known threats to health or safety.
- Self-sufficient in meeting personal care needs either through self-care or arrangements with a personal care giver.
- Enrolled in a medical coverage/plan and have an identified medical provider (doctor/clinic/neighborhood health facility).
- Willing to provide advance contact information of a family member, friend, or other person whom the Village is permitted to contact in case of emergency.