## Would you like to be a **Volunteer**

with our Long-Term Care Ombudsman Program?





## What it takes to Join US You must:

- $\Rightarrow$  Be 18 years of age or older
- ⇒ Complete the necessary and annual training
- ⇒ Work a minimum of four (4) hours pers month
- ⇒ Visit designated Long-Term Care Facilities in Clarendon, Kershaw, Lee or Sumter Counties

Volunteer Ombudsmen make unannounced regular visits to designated facilities. During their visits volunteers listen to and interact with the residents. Volunteer Ombudsmen work with residents to communicate their concerns. Volunteers provide support and empowerment. Volunteer Ombudsman assist residents by being their voice and with their permission, work hand in hand with the facility staff to resolve issues.



YOUR visit can make a difference!

## **Did You Know?**

Residents living in long-term care facilities are not always treated fairly or with dignity and respect. Our regular visits help seniors by giving them someone to talk to and someone to listen to them. Federal and State Laws protect the rights of residents living in long-term care facilities.



## COME AND JOIN OUR TEAM AND BE AN ADVOCATE!

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