



Services offered by Transitions

COMMUNICATION – Help our client understand and navigate the resources available in the community

FRIENDSHIP – Emotional support and companionship

RESPIRE CARE – Provide limited time off for the caregiver in need of rest

ASSISTANCE – Run errands and provide light housekeeping

Why do we use volunteers?

Volunteers are the cornerstone of our services to clients and families. We recruit, screen, train and support a core group of volunteers to assist you in the most effective and skillful manner possible.

For more information on how to receive Transitions services or become a volunteer, call Transitions at 816.347.2584 or visit www.jkv.org/transitions.

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*For Clients and Families
with Life-Limiting Illnesses*


Transitions

A free service of John Knox Village

Being diagnosed with a serious illness can bring with it many questions and challenges that are often difficult for friends and family to answer or handle on their own. Often support is needed in a variety of ways so those with a life-limiting illness and their families can live with more comfort and ease.

If someone you know is dealing with a life-limiting illness and:

- is having difficulty doing housework or grocery shopping
 - needs help understanding information about their illness
- ...Transitions can help.

What is Transitions?

Transitions is a non-medical community outreach service designed to help individuals and their families cope with a life-limiting illness.

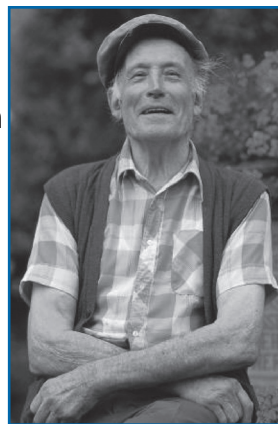


Transitions is a service of John Knox Village, offered free of charge, whether or not they are undergoing curative treatment. They usually have a prognosis of one to two years or less and are not receiving hospice services.

Our specially trained, caring volunteers offer support, friendship and respite when it's really needed.

How can Transitions help?

Adapting to the changes that accompany a progressive illness can be difficult, frustrating and confusing. It can be a challenge to keep your independence while also learning to rely more on others.



Transitions can offer consistent, caring support and help empower you to make choices that affect the quality of your life during this time.

Who will be helping me?

Transitions Coordinator

Our Transitions Coordinator will provide emotional comfort through the illness and keep in touch with you and your family. Our coordinator will also provide case management services by helping you and your family identify needs and assist you in fulfilling those needs with referrals and links to community resources.

Transitions Volunteers

Our Transitions volunteers offer friendship, respite care and support. They may help with:

- errands
- light meal preparation
- light household chores
- companionship
- support
- respite care

What you need to know...

How are services provided?

The Transitions Coordinator will meet with you to assess service needs and to answer questions. The coordinator will assign a volunteer and can connect you to community organizations and services as needed.

Where services are provided?

Our focus is to provide assistance and services where you are. The services are provided in:

- your own home
- a hospital
- long-term care facility
- assisted living facility

How much does it cost?

Because Transitions' services are provided mainly by a network of volunteers, there is no charge to you.

Who can refer to Transitions?

Anyone can call the Transitions Coordinator to inquire or make a referral. The Coordinator will schedule a meeting with the client and/or family members to discuss the available services.

