



JoCare
is a free volunteer
home and residential
care visiting program
and is available to
everyone.

**Our free monthly
coffee and chat group
is open to all.**

Please join us for a morning
of friendship.
1st Tuesday of the month (except
January). Kildara Centre,
Rear 39 Stanhope St, Malvern 3144.



If you are interested in
Volunteering with JoCare or
Accessing a service from JoCare

Please contact:

The Co-ordinator
JoCare
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JoCare is a free service funded by
St Joseph's Malvern
Cabrini Outreach
Australian Government.

**Please consider donating or
leaving a gift in your will.**

Help fund JoCare so that others
can benefit from friendship and
companionship.

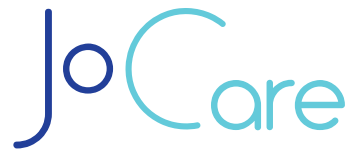


CONNECTION AND COMPANIONSHIP



JoCare is an auspice of
The Community Visitors Scheme
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Government





JoCare provides volunteer visitors who regularly visit people living in the Stonnington area whose lives may benefit from companionship and connection.

Our volunteers are people who want to make a difference in their local community; they undergo Working with Children, Police checks; and reference checks. They receive initial training and ongoing support in their role. They are covered by accident and public liability insurance.

As an Auspice of the Australian Government initiative, Community Visitors Scheme, JoCare volunteers visit people receiving aged care services through home care packages.

Further private funding also allows JoCare volunteers to visit those who do not receive government funding for in home care support.

Therefore, the JoCare service is available to all people living independently at home or in Residential Aged Care facilities.

If you would like to refer someone to JoCare, contact the JoCare Co-ordinator; details are on the back of this brochure.

JOCARE NEIGHBOURS

JoCare volunteers are your local neighbours and the JoCare Co-ordinator can arrange for you to meet and approve of a suitable volunteer.

Your volunteer will visit you regularly, weekly, fortnightly or monthly as is mutually convenient.

Volunteers are only able to offer you non-professional services which might include, having a chat, reading a book, going for a walk, sharing a cup of tea, playing games. Limited access to transport for local visits.

The most important thing is that you will see a friendly face who is willing to spend time with you on a regular basis.

In addition JoCare provides a monthly social gathering from 10am to 12pm on the first Tuesday of the month. It is a good opportunity join in some fun and games – why don't you drop in and try it?

If you would like to talk about being visited by a JoCare Volunteer, please contact the JoCare Co-ordinator; details are on the back of this brochure.

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN BEING A JOCARE VOLUNTEER

Residents in the Stonnington area and surrounds are welcome to become a JoCare volunteer visitor. Through befriending an older person, who has become disconnected and lacking companionship, volunteers will make a positive difference in someone's day as well as their own day.

Volunteers help to recreate the neighbourliness of the past. The focus of the program is to engage with socially isolated individuals either living independently or in residential aged care facilities.

Older people seeking companionship come from a variety of social and cultural backgrounds. Our experience so far; is that JoCare volunteers come from a cross-section of our local community from a variety of backgrounds

Some volunteer as an expression of their various faiths in action, others see their service to their neighbour as a means of connecting with others and fulfilling their wish to build a better community.

If you would like to become a volunteer, please contact the JoCare Co-ordinator; details are on the back of this brochure.

