



COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

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Telecross volunteers needed

Do you like to help people?

The Red Cross Telecross service urgently needs volunteers in the Hunter region to make a daily phone-call each morning to check on the well-being and safety of elderly people.

Allison Jordan, Telecross Coordinator for the Lower Hunter and Port Stephens says Telecross provides a free daily telephone call to check on the wellbeing of frail-aged, isolated and medically dependent people who are living alone.

"Trained and friendly volunteers make a call each morning and if the call is not answered, an agreed procedure is activated.

"Telecross in the Hunter Region has a particular need for volunteers who would be available to make calls seven days a week.

"The majority of volunteers make several calls per day on a monthly roster basis.

"Volunteers are provided with training and ongoing support and can make the calls from the comfort of their own homes or from their workplace.

Anyone interested in becoming a Telcross volunteer can call Allison Jordan on 4941 3219 or Kim Baird 4941 3218, or email nswtelecrosshunter@redcross.org.au

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