



## Reach Out / Tele Friend – Just Do It!

Dear Volunteer Applicant,

The Ohio Self Determination Association (OSDA) and its advisory Council of Ohio Leaders (COOL) are so excited that you are interested in being a volunteer caller for our Tele-Friend opportunity!

Tele-Friend was started to make sure connection to others was available to any person, living with a disability, who is home more than usual due to the recent Corona virus pandemic, illness, or any other reason. As a volunteer, you provide this connection by calling, the person requesting such calls, once a week or once a month or other times that work for you and the person you volunteer to call. You will be linked to a person based on the information they provide when they request that someone call them.

Please look over and fill out the enclosed form so we can learn more about you and find the perfect new tele-friend for you. Remember that, as a volunteer, you **are not trained** to give medical advice or professional advice. We just want you to connect you with someone to chat with because we believe everyone needs a friend to talk to every now and again! Thank you for volunteering to help us make these connections on behalf of the OSDA Council of Ohio Leaders (COOL)

Send the form by email to [osdaohio2017@gmail.com](mailto:osdaohio2017@gmail.com) or mail to OSDA, 6155 Huntley Road, Suite i, Columbus, Ohio 43229.

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### Make a Call!

I, \_\_\_\_\_ want to volunteer to call someone who is at home more because of the Corona Virus, illness or other reason and would like more contact with others.

My phone number is \_(\_\_\_\_)\_\_\_\_-\_\_\_\_ The County where I live is: \_\_\_\_\_

My email address is \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_\_

Things about me that may help connect me with someone who is similar include the information below:

Age? ☐ 18 to 30 ☐ 31 to 50 ☐ 51 to 65 ☐ 66 to 80 ☐ 80 or older

Gender? ☐ Male ☐ Female      Employed? ☐ Yes ☐ No

I communicate with others using the following (Check all that apply):

☐ Phone calls ☐ Texting ☐ Email ☐ Facebook ☐ Instant Messenger

☐ Other – Please explain what: \_\_\_\_\_

My Personal Preferences/ My Favorites:

Food or Restaurants? \_\_\_\_\_

TV Shows? \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Music? \_\_\_\_\_

Hobbies? \_\_\_\_\_



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Sports? \_\_\_\_\_

Subject to talk about? \_\_\_\_\_

**REFERENCES:** Please identify 2 people who know you and will support or assist you, as needed, with your volunteer responsibilities.

Name of Reference #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Reference #2: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_