

# news release

Area 9 In-Home & Community Services  
Agency  
520 South 9th Street  
Richmond, Indiana 47374-6230  
765-966-1795 or 1-800-458-9345

n n n n n n n n n n n n n n n

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

June 11, 2010

Contact: *Tricia Luebbe Alzheimer's Program Coordinator*  
765-966-1795 or 1-800-458-9345

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CARING COMMUNITY OF FAYETTE COUNTY**

Caring Community of Fayette County, a service of Area 9 In-Home and Community Services Agency, is a volunteer program that provides in-home companion level respite care for caregivers. We are currently looking specifically at caregivers who care for individuals needing full-time care as well as being homebound, chronically ill or disabled. Respite provides temporary relief for caregivers. This respite time enables them to leave their home and their loved one for a few hours so they can take a small break. Respite is critical to maintaining caregivers' personal health and overall well-being.

We need volunteers to make this program successful. Volunteers would assist strictly in the Fayette County area. They will be trained on the program before starting to work with families. Area 9 also has a Caring Community program in Wayne County that has been in existence for 10 years. As soon as we have trained volunteers, we will begin to recruit families who are in need of this service. If you are part of a social club, organization or church group and would be interested in having someone speak at a meeting about this service please contact the Area 9 office.

For more information on this program, contact Tricia Luebbe, Alzheimer's Program Coordinator, at 765-966-1795 or 1-800-458-9345. Area 9 Agency is a service of Indiana University East.