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Talbot Hospice Honors Volunteers

Easton, Md. – Talbot Hospice is celebrating its volunteers during National Volunteer week, April 21-27. In 2023, volunteers gave an impressive 6527 hours of service to provide assistance to staff and support to our patients, their families, and the organization.

“Our wonderful volunteers provide so much support to patients and staff,” said Molly Kirsch, Talbot Hospice Executive Director. “We really couldn’t provide all of our services to the community without the outstanding women and men who make up our team of volunteers.”

Hospices licensed by Medicare are required to have volunteers provide day to day administrative and/or direct patient care services in an amount that, at a minimum, equals 5% of the total patient care hours. Licensed hospices are the only healthcare providers with this mandate, demonstrating just how important volunteers are to the organization.

“Each and every one of our volunteers contributes uniquely to our mission, weaving their skills and talents into the very fabric of our organization. They stand alongside the rest of the hospice team, united in the shared goal of providing compassionate care and support to individuals in our community living with serious illness,” Kirsch added.

Hospice volunteers play vital roles in a variety of ways, including staffing the welcome desks in the administrative building and in the Koons Hospice House, conducting veteran recognition ceremonies, cooking special meals for patients, running errands, etc. They also provide companionship and practical, emotional, social, spiritual and bereavement support. Volunteers can also provide respite for caregivers. Opportunities for volunteers are available both at the Talbot Hospice facility, and remotely in patient homes or other settings in the community.

Anyone interested in becoming a Talbot Hospice volunteer can contact Megan Murray at mmurray@talbothospice.org, or call Talbot Hospice at 410-822-6681.

About Talbot Hospice

Talbot Hospice provides compassionate care, comfort and support for patients and their families and caregivers wherever they call home. Talbot Hospice serves patients facing life-limiting illnesses through Hospice and Palliative Care as well as its Volunteer and Bereavement programs. Services are available to patients and caregivers regardless of ability to pay. Learn more at www.talbothospice.org.