

How Does My Entity/Organization Become Dementia Friendly?

Dementia Friendly Corpus Christi (DFCC), is a community-wide grassroots initiative led by DFCC advocacy team in collaboration with Area Agency on Aging (AAA) of the Coastal Bend, who have come together to address the need for an inclusive community that supports families touched by dementia. **The mission of Dementia Friendly Corpus Christi is to engage with community partners to educate and empower different sectors of our community with information needed to enhance the dignity of persons living with dementia. We aim to reduce social stigma and isolation. We provide educational and support services to persons diagnosed with dementia, their families, and caregivers. Every part of the community plays a role in creating a dementia friendly culture.**

What is a Dementia Friendly Entity/Organization? A dementia friendly partner is one in which management and employees are able to recognize the signs and/or behaviors of dementia in individuals. Entity/Organization can communicate effectively and be sensitive to individuals with dementia, connect individuals to dementia-specific resources, and support caregiver employees. A dementia friendly partner provides a place that is supportive, prepared and knowledgeable for people with dementia and their caregivers to visit. Businesses, first responders, healthcare providers, local government offices, organizations, faith based and community members can earn the distinction of being a DFCC Community Partner by accomplishing the items below.

What does my Entity/Organization have to do to become a DFCC Community?

Step One: Commit to being dementia friendly by signing the Community Partner Pledge

Step Two: Have Representative(s) attend Community and/or Sector Specific Training

Step Three: Complete all items on the DFCC Community Partner Pledge

Upon completion of requirements DFCC Community Partners will receive:

- Recognition as a DFCC Community Partner
- A logo and active business link on the DFCC website for one year
- A DFCC window cling
- Invitation to DFCC celebrations and events

Thank You for your interest in becoming a DFCC community partner

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