## **DFD** initiatives in Dallas:

#### • Dementia Friend

A Dementia Friend learns 5 key messages about dementia and effective communication tools - and then turns that understanding into action. These one-hour sessions education sessions are held virtually and in-person.

#### • Dementia Friendly @ Work

Equip your organization to engage and respond effectively to people living with dementia and their care partners. Through staff training, self-evaluation, and a commitment to dementia friendly practices, organizations can create an environment that is safe, respectful, and welcoming for people living with dementia.

#### • Dementia Friendly Faith Communities

Through staff, leadership and member training, your faith community can become a welcoming, compassionate, and safe environment offering families coping with dementia opportunities for meaningful engagement and spiritual connection.

#### • Dementia Friendly Engage

People with dementia seek opportunities to learn, create, socialize, and volunteer. Through the Dementia Friendly Engage initiative, DFD supports the development of Memory Café's and respite programs to encourage connection, engagement, and friendship for both the person living with dementia and their care partner.

To learn more about any of these initiatives, call **214-515-1336** or email **dementiafriendlydallas@gmail.com** 

### **DFD Action Team**

(as of 5/6/2025)

- AARP
- Alzheimer's Association
- Apple Care and Companion/Age Tech Now
- AWARE
- BvB Dallas
- Care Patrol of Northeast Dallas
- Center for BrainHealth
- Christian Care Communities & Services
- City of Dallas, Office of Community Care & Empowerment
- Juliette Fowler Communities
- McNair Dallas Law
- Neurology Consultants of Dallas
- NorthPark Presbyterian Church
- Parson's House
- The Senior Source
- University of Texas Arlington/ School of Social Work

Register for a Virtual Dementia Friend Session:





Juliette Fowler Communities, a 501c3 organization, is the fiscal sponsor and administrator of Dementia Friendly Dallas.



Creating a community where all people can live, age, and thrive.





## What is Dementia Friendly Dallas?

Dementia Friendly Dallas is affiliated with Dementia Friendly America, a national network of communities, organizations and individuals working to ensure that cities are informed, safe, and respectful, while fostering quality of life for people with dementia. Dementia Friendly Dallas seeks to support people living with dementia, and their care partners, so they can live, age and thrive in community. Our goal is to reduce the stigma and isolation of dementia through education and support.





# Who is involved in a DFA community?

- **Businesses and Banking** support customers living with dementia by accommodating cognitive impairment.
- Law enforcement and first responders recognize signs of dementia and respond accordingly.
- **Health care systems** promote early diagnosis and connect individuals with community services.
- Faith communities are welcoming and have specialized programs, services, or accommodations.
- Local governments plan and implement housing, transportation, public spaces, and emergency response that enable people with dementia and care partners to thrive.

Every part of the community works together to take steps to create a dementia friendly culture.\*

- **Community members** learn how to interact sensitively and create networks of support.
- Restaurants, grocery stores, and libraries offer services and supports that foster access and independence.
- **Employers** support employees who are caregivers through proactive personnel policies.
- Residential care and community services offer a range of services to maximize independence and support ongoing community engagement.

### \*www.dfamerica.org