
The Twin Falls County Commissioners have voted to fund a Board of Community Guardians. That board acts as an administrative body that recruits, trains, and monitors the activities of volunteers who have agreed to serve as their proxy in the guardianship process.

Purpose

The purpose of the Board is to:

1. Fulfill the duties and responsibilities of guardian for Twin Falls County residents in need, set forth by Idaho law, and within the confines of any county Resolution or Ordinance.
2. Recruit and train volunteers to act as Volunteer Guardians.



Guidelines

For Potential Wards

Becoming a ward means the court has determined a person is incapacitated and lacks appropriate alternatives for meeting their own needs or managing their financial affairs.

In order for the Board of Community Guardians to be appointed as the legal guardian, the potential ward must be over 18, have no appropriate family able or willing to take on the guardianship, not have an intellectual disability and meet the limited income guidelines.

The Board of Community Guardians only accepts referrals that have absolutely no other options; we truly are the last resort.

Eligibility

For Potential Guardians

- Must be a resident of Twin Falls County and over 18 years of age
- Interviewed and screened by the Board of Community Guardians through the Volunteer Coordinator
- Perform guardianship or conservatorship functions and duties as required by Idaho laws and within the guidelines of the Board of Community Guardians
- Cannot be a convicted felon or have any prior violent-crime convictions and willing to consent to a criminal background check



As the populations of Idaho and the nation continue to age, more and more problems will arise for elderly people who are alone, frail or disabled. The longer we live, the greater our chances of becoming impaired, and it is a stark reality that we may find ourselves alone, afraid, and too confused or weak to care for or protect ourselves. In our mobile society there is often not enough familial or societal support to meet the needs of the older impaired adults.

In situations where incapacitated adults have no available family, or whose family members are unable or unwilling to provide the necessary and complex care involved, the courts may appoint others to assist these persons in providing for their basic needs. A person appointed by a court and given the authority to make some or all decisions for another person is known as a guardian. If the court orders include management of the estate of the incapacitated person, the manager is called a conservator. The person to be cared for is called the “ward”.

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The philosophy of the “least restrictive alternative” is utilized in making decisions.

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