



Marjorie Martin, although small in frame, possesses the passion and charisma one can only strive to have one day. At the young age of 92 years old, Marjorie has more than enough adventures to give us the next New York Times Best Seller. Because she is such an inspiration to all of the members of VRC we have decided to share an interview, conducted by our Communications Team, about Marjorie's experience as a VRC Volunteer to celebrate her and National Volunteer Month!

Tell us about yourself, where are you from and how did you hear about VRC?

After a long career in public health nursing and teaching, I finally retired to be a career counselor in a private practice but I missed being in an agency and associating with peers. A friend told me "Marjorie, you don't remember our friend Mary? Well, VRC placed her in a wonderful volunteer position. Why don't you go there?" So, I made an appointment and interviewed with Laura Reid. She suggested I work with VRC, I said I would be delighted!

How long have you been volunteering at VRC?

10 years!

What do you enjoy most about working at VRC?

I have wonderful colleagues, and the administration has been excellent. It has been great to work with beautifully talented people. I look forward to coming here, even though it is not the easiest trip for me. The clients have been fascinating, and I've even made a list of the interesting names I have come across. Oh, and another aspect I love are the clients who come back to tell me about their volunteering and how much they appreciate my help.

Any interesting stories you would like to share about your time at VRC?

I vividly remember the fundraising event at the Cotton Club. The entertainment was great, but I loved the opportunity to dance. I even got to do a short version of the Lindy.

Why do you think it is important to volunteer?

Because what else are we put on this Earth for? To help each other, giving your time and giving your energy to another person. What you are doing is fulfilling our mission in life.

