

To Ashe County Commissioners:

Good morning! I have the following two ladies who would like to serve on the Ashe County Volunteer Advisory Board. They have already met with the current board and have been approved. We now need your approval before they can officially join the board. See below a short bio of each one. I hope you will please consider and approve.

Thanks,

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*My name is **Amy Heflin**. I have lived in the Ashe County community of Fleetwood since April of 2024. I have been a registered nurse since 1985 and retired from the state of North Carolina in 2021 after almost 30 years in Public Health and School Health Nursing. While working, I volunteered with many organizations in my local community, but more recently I volunteered with Samaritan's Purse and the Fleetwood Volunteer Fire Dept. in the aftermath of Helene. As those organization's needs changed, I sought a more structured, permanent way to serve my newly-adopted community, so I began serving with the Ashe Food Pantry and Generations Ashe at the end of 2024. I have enjoyed meeting residents of Ashe County, both volunteer colleagues and recipients of our services. From my many years in public health and school health, I know the great impact volunteer organizations can have on a community. I look forward to serving Ashe County with the talents I have been given.*

*My name is **Leslie Fuller** and I have lived in West Jefferson for the past 3 years. Recently retired, I have time and need to be active. Having always been involved in community activities, including those meeting the needs of others, I find it very rewarding. Most of my work life was spent in various administrative positions, most recently as an office manager for a doctor. I also worked for The Thomas Jefferson Foundation in Charlottesville, Virginia, where I was involved in their educational and community outreach activities. I have always looked for volunteer activities that I could be a part of wherever I have lived, having discovered early on how rewarding it can be. I love the connections I have made, meeting and getting to know other volunteers as well and hope to continue by serving on the Volunteer Advisory Board.*