



Topic of the programme: Health  
Title of the programme: **“Service et Amitié” (“Service and Friendship”)**  
Organiser of the programme: Association Service et Amitié within Institute Curie  
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<https://curie.fr/page/service-et-amitie>  
Start and end date: Since 1985  
Intervention level, geographic area: Local level (5<sup>th</sup> district of Paris)  
General objectives of the programme: To offer services, entertainment and listening to patients  
Financial sources: Private sponsorship (Institute Curie) and donations



Description of the programme: the volunteers aged over 50 represent the majority of the volunteers in the group composed of 50 persons. They are offering some services to hospitalized persons or people coming to Institute Curie for consultation, such as: answering their needs or detecting needs, in the attempt to fight against loneliness and anxiety, by providing distraction, improvement of their environment. They support them through their friendly presence.

Topic of the programme: School volunteering  
Title of the programme: **“Lire et Faire lire” (“To read and make read”)**  
Organiser of the programme: Association Lire et Faire Lire, 3 Rue Récamier, 75007 Paris, France  
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Start and end date: Since 2000  
Intervention level, geographic area: National level

General objectives of the programme: The aim of this programme is on the one hand to go in schools or similar premises to read books to children, and on the other hand to encourage intergenerational exchange between children and elderly people  
Financial sources: Public funding, private sponsorship and partnership with NGO

Description of the programme: at the request of the teacher or facilitator and in coherence with the school project and the teaching practices, volunteers over 50 years of age offer some of their free time to children to stimulate their taste for reading and promote their approach to the literature. Reading sessions are organised in small groups, once or several times a week, throughout the school year, with a focus on the pleasure of reading and the encounter between the generations.

*“Retired for just one year, I am involved in the association and I have no regrets. What a pleasure to spend time with children reading stories and making them discover the pleasure of reading!”*

