



# Internships & Employment with Good Works 2024

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The Community of Good Works is praying for men and women (singles and couples) who want to join our community and serve alongside us as we love and serve people who struggle with poverty, exclusion, and homelessness in rural southeastern Ohio.

- Internships are 3-12 months and include room & board and a stipend.
- Most full-time staff positions require a two-year commitment.
- Compensation for staff positions varies depending on experience.

We are a community of Jesus followers who work together in mission and ministry in the context of Appalachia. We are located in Athens, Ohio, which is the host city to Ohio University (around 24,000 students). We intersect with Ohio University students and faculty regularly.

## Some of our core values:

- Being worshippers through song, scripture and service.
- Being the body of Christ, using the gifts God has given us in mission and ministry in our context.
- Building long-term relationships through trust, meeting felt needs, and developing avenues for recipients to become participants (mutuality). We met several of our current staff when they experienced homelessness years ago.
- Developing and facilitating unity in the body of Christ. We intersect with many different congregations every year!
- Loving, serving and building relationships over many years with:
  - Adults and children who experience homelessness.
  - Children and teens in our local community.
  - Widows, widowers and those who struggle with disability.
  - Adults and children who experience hunger and food insecurity.

## We are seeking interns and staff to join our community. Good Works has three teams that focus on different aspects of our ministry *with* people who struggle with poverty:

1. The Timothy House. This Good Works team works daily with adults and children who experience homelessness in southeast Ohio. We have a home and provide care and community.
2. The Hannah House. This team welcomes short-term mission teams and oversees the initiative we call Neighbors Helping Neighbors. This team works in the context of ministry primarily with widows, widowers and older adults struggling with poverty and disability. Each year we host 25-35 short-term mission groups (we call them Work Retreats), and they visit the homes of people in rural Athens County. This team also oversees the ministry of the Transformation Station where we provide cars, appliances, non-emergency food and bicycles through a “sweat-equity” volunteer opportunity.
3. The Administrative Team. This team works directly with Friday Night Life, which is our community event where we host adults and children each week. In 2023, we celebrated the 30<sup>th</sup> year of Friday Night Life.

***Good Works exists to connect people from all walks of life  
with people in poverty so that the kingdom of God can be experienced.***

Good Works is a community of 12-18 full and part-time staff. We provide opportunities for around 1,000 volunteers to serve alongside us each year through 30 different volunteer opportunities. Our community meets together for worship and teaching several times a week.

**We are praying for laborers to join us in 2024. Here are a few specific areas of ministry open right now:**

- **Hannah House Community Life:** We are seeking an individual or couple to live in the apartment located inside the Hannah House on the Good Works Luhrig Road property and provide care and community to the interns, guests and groups for a weekend or week long Work Retreat.
- **Agriculture/Gardens:** For 9+ years we established and helped families (especially widows) struggling with poverty develop and maintain 15-20 community gardens throughout our county. We are asking the LORD to guide someone to us with a love for God and people, with a passion for growing food and building relationships with seniors at their homes.
- **Timothy House:** We are seeking a person to join this Good Works team and work alongside our staff as we care for adults and children who experience homelessness in rural Ohio.
- **Transformation Station:** Good Works is seeking additional staff to help oversee those who participate in our asset-based sweat equity opportunity for people in poverty. This leadership role combines the vision to make disciples and the joy of building relationships with the people of rural Appalachia.
- **Work Retreats/Neighbors Helping Neighbors:** We host 25-35 Short-Term Mission Groups each year. We want to add another person to this team who will work with these groups.
- **Sign of HOPE:** We are looking for a couple (with or without children) to live in our recently completed new house and work/coordinate with the Timothy House team in providing care and community to adults who experience homelessness that have a disability and adults with companion/service animals. This position comes with a two-bedroom apartment.

**The next step....**

1. Visit and explore our website: [www.good-works.net](http://www.good-works.net) and watch some of the videos on our front page.
2. Email us at [email@good-works.net](mailto:email@good-works.net) to get the process going and arrange a visit. We will provide you a place to stay and include you in what we are doing while you are visiting. Our leadership team will make time to talk with you during your visit.
3. The application process continues with some written work and an interview, which usually occurs at another time and not during the initial visit.
4. To learn more about Internships visit <https://good-works.net/internships/>

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