## GOOD WORKS, INC - A COMMUNITY OF HOPE





I made the WIDOW'S heart sing
I took up the case of the STRANGER
I was a father to the FATHERLESS (Job 29:12-17)

## **Good Works Neighbors Helping Neighbors (NHN)**

Since 1981, the community of Good Works has been serving a wide range of adults and children as we learn to love God and our neighbors.

Sometimes loving our neighbors means providing a temporary place for them to live, which we have done since 1981. Other times it means sharing a meal together, which we do every day at the Timothy House. We also have provided a weekly, sit-down free dinner every Friday Night since 1993 called Friday Night Life.

We also love our neighbors by giving them a place of service so they can use their skills and abilities to love *their* neighbors. We started welcoming volunteers in the 1980s. We often visit the homes of our neighbors in Athens County with volunteers to serve in practical and helpful ways. Good Works has many different ways of loving and serving our neighbors. See <a href="https://www.good-works.net">www.good-works.net</a> for more information.

**Neighbors Helping Neighbors** (NHN)is our intentional effort to love and serve our neighbors who struggle with issues related to aging, disability, or who have been widowed, or who are widowers. We recruit and provide volunteers who visit people and serve people at their homes here in Athens County.

## Those who want to receive help through NHN can follow these steps:

- 1. Call the Good Works Hannah House office at 740.594.3336 and explain what you need or what you are asking for volunteers to do. The staff will further describe the program and send you an NHN application.
- 2. Return the application as soon as possible to P.O. Box 4, Athens Ohio 45701
- 3. Once we receive your application, one of the Good Works staff will call you to arrange a time to visit you at your home and learn about the particular project you need assistance with.
- 4. After the staff visit, a date will be set sometime this year for volunteers to come to your home.



Here is a list of important expectations for Neighbors Helping Neighbors:

- This is not an emergency program. In most cases it takes weeks (or longer) for a team of volunteers to arrive at your home once a site visit has taken place.
- You must be at home when our volunteers come. After we receive your application and our staff complete their initial site visit, we will schedule a time with you to make sure that our small group of volunteers will come when you are at home.
- We are not professionals. Most of our volunteers have skills but are not licensed professionals.
- You must own your home or trailer for us to do work on it.
- If you don't own your home, we can still assist with cleaning or labor-intensive projects which do not impact the structures.
- Recipients of NHN are asked to pay the cost of the materials for the project.
- This initiative also includes supporting people so they can have a vegetable garden on their property. You can learn more about Good Works Gardens by contacting us at 594.3336 or through email@good-works.net
- NHN only serves Athens County.

Sometimes we serve a neighbor who needs a ramp built or their gutters cleaned. At other times we serve by cleaning or mowing the lawn or fixing something around the house. The neighbors we serve have both limited incomes and a limited support system of those who can help them

Contact us by phone at 740.594.333<u>6</u>

Or by email at <a href="mail@good-works.net">email@good-works.net</a>