



Good Works, Inc. A Community of HOPE

Volunteer Opportunities for Summer 2024

Listed below are *some* of our current Volunteer Opportunities.

For a complete list of all our Volunteer Opportunities, visit

<https://good-works.net/volunteer-opportunities/> or use the QR code.



FRIDAY NIGHT LIFE: A community meal since 1993

Friday Night Life is a community event now celebrating year #31 and designed to bring people from all walks of life together around things everyone enjoys, food, fun activities, and companionship! Every Friday from 4:30 to 7:30 pm we gather with friends and neighbors, some of whom are struggling to make ends meet, and others who volunteer to prepare a nutritious, free meal for everyone. Friday Night Life is held at The Good Works Luhrig Road property from April to September, and at The Plains UMC from October to March. Normally, we host 50-60 adults and children. We are seeking volunteers to come serve alongside us, help with transportation, and who love and want to work with kids. Time: 4:30 pm to 7:30 pm. once a week.

SUMMER LUNCH

WE ARE SEEKING volunteers to come one day a week from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm (Monday-Thursday) between June 17th and August 1st, 2024 to help us prepare and serve Summer Lunch to adults and children. Summer Lunch is provided at 12:00 noon at The Plains United Methodist Church after our Kids Discovery Club. We are also seeking the donation of food during these weeks. If you know of food donations or would like to donate food for the lunch, contact us! Email us for next steps.

DISCOVERY CLUB

Kids Discovery Club (for K-6th grade) takes place from June 17th to August 1st Monday- Thursday between 9:00 am and 12:00 noon. Volunteers serve once a week and join the staff as they welcome and serve kids. If you'd like to volunteer, contact us through email to get the process going. Volunteers must complete an application prior to starting. We are also seeking one-time presenters for who would come once this summer and share something you are knowledgeable about or have experience with. This is our 17th year!

LOADS OF HOPE (Providing free laundry services)

Like to welcome strangers? We are looking for several volunteers willing to come once a week for 3 hours (from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm on a Wednesday or Thursday, and host adults (mostly mom's and kids) coming to our new house -- Sign of HOPE on the west side of Athens --to do their laundry in our new small laundromat. Volunteers welcome those coming, spend time with children, and "host" by providing refreshments, food and friendship.

DO A FOOD DRIVE. We are seeking a small group to do a canned food drive this summer!

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PROPERTY MAINTENANCE & AUTO MAINTENANCE

Good Works operates at three locations in Athens, and each facility has on-going property maintenance needs. Good Works also has several vehicles donated from the community which are provided to families or individuals who volunteer time to receive them in a program called The Transformation Station (TS). We are seeking volunteers to assist us in the maintenance and repair of these vehicles, as well as other support needs on the Good Works properties.

GOOD WORKS GARDENS

Good Works has a large garden on the Good Works Property and has established smaller vegetable gardens at the homes of those we serve in Athens County through Neighbors Helping Neighbors. Volunteers serve once a week to help with various garden tasks during the Summer and Fall. Contact us for more information.

THE TIMOTHY HOUSE: A home for people without homes since 1981

The Timothy House provides a safe, clean, stable, and temporary place for people who are experiencing homelessness to stay while they work on the issues that brought them into this situation. Serving nine counties in rural Appalachia, we offer shelter to 100 - 150 different people each year. We welcome men, women and families with children. Under the leadership of our staff, volunteers interact with residents in the hope of providing support, encouragement, and informal mentoring. Volunteers become a temporary “community net” while people are working through the matters that caused them to experience homelessness. The staff members of the Timothy House also rely on volunteers to provide practical assistance in the daily operation of the house. Visit our website to learn more.

- **Weekday Evenings:** Volunteers arrive at the Timothy House at 5 pm and stay until 9pm once a week (M-TH). Evening responsibilities include assisting with the dinner meal preparation, visiting with residents and guests, answering the doorbell, welcoming new residents, and assisting families with childcare. Volunteers may also help with specific tasks such as daily household chores, filling out job application forms with residents, or assisting with educational projects. More importantly, volunteers have the opportunity to simply be present with the residents on a regular basis—talking and listening, joining in games or music, and sharing life. At the end of the evening volunteers have an opportunity to journal and debrief about their experiences. This commitment is once a week, on a consistent weekday for a 3-month commitment. Time: 5:00 pm to 9:00 pm
- **Weekday Mornings:** Once a week, volunteers arrive at The Timothy House at 9:00 am and stay until noon. Greeting residents in the morning, sharing breakfast, assisting families with children, and assisting the staff with organizing and cleaning, constitute morning responsibilities. Time: 9:00 am to noon

AFTER YOU VISIT OUR WEBSITE (www.good-works.net) to learn more and watch a few videos on the front page, the next step is to contact Good Works at email@good-works.net to set up a visit and a tour, and request an application to volunteer.

CELEBRATING 43 YEARS!

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