

Ways to Be Involved and Invested



To learn more about these and other opportunities to be involved, email us at volunteers@goodnewspartners.org.

Building Rehab Workers

Adults and older teens are invited to come scrape, pound, saw, sand, paint, clean, organize, move and garden. Yes, we even have “Demo Days”!



Workforce Development

Opportunities are needed for job training and skill development that leads to employment. GNP’s Good News Builders offers apprenticeship training in the construction and rehab profession and The Jonquil Hotel (GNP’s Single Room Occupancy facility) offers positions as desk clerk, and janitorial services. Outside companies have offered maintenance, carpentry, baking, janitorial, moving and other opportunities to some of our residents. Join us in finding job training and employment for Good News Partners residents.

Be Involved



Reading Coaches

Work with GNP's professional educator at Gale Elementary School (CPS) to tutor 1st through 3rd graders in reading. This is daytime pull-out-of-class program offered 5 mornings a week. Pick a day!



Good News Partners Christmas Market

Give families a chance to be part of the gift-giving process, not just gift-receiving. The Christmas Market sells gifts donated by congregations and community groups. We stock the store with these gifts for hard-working families to purchase at prices they can afford.

Gifts are needed and volunteers are needed to set-up the week before and to help with the shopping experience the day of the Christmas Market.

All proceeds are donated back into the community in an area designated by the residents.

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New Life Interim Housing



Boys and Girls Club

Take neighborhood kids on outings. Need drivers and chaperones. In warm weather, visit parks or forest preserves. In cold weather, visit Evanston Library, Lincoln Park Zoo, sledding hills, or downtown Chicago. Coordinated by one of our Church

Family Outings

Coordinate fun outings for children/youth and/or families to include transportation, food and admission costs, when applicable. Previous outings have included movie nights with pizza, popcorn and lemonade; a seed packing service outing; and a Pajama Pizza Party at New Life.

Tutoring

Monday through Thursday from 6-7:30pm, a structured tutoring program will be offered to build reading skills. Recreational activities are built into the program time.. Chicago HOPES is partnering with us to lead this program and will provide training sessions. They incur all costs. Volunteers are needed.



Playroom Monitors

Adult or older teen supervision is needed when the children are in the playroom to ensure their safety. 1-2 hour commitment. Can you come and play?

Special Events

Bring your ideas! One volunteer regularly provides soup for a weekday community meal. Churches have provided holiday celebrations (Mothers Day, Easter, Christmas), and a local sorority sponsored a healthy eating demonstration and meal with a professional chef. What would you like to do?

Professionals

We need: accountants, web masters, social media help, business professionals, photographers, carpenters, computer experts, electricians, family counselors, lawyers, plumbers, administrative assistants and telephone technicians. Share a talent!

Jonquil Hotel

GNP wants to strengthen the support services we provide to the community at The Jonquil, our SRO (Single Room Occupancy) facility. Volunteers who are Licensed Clinical Social Workers and interns and volunteers that can provide case management-type services are needed. Job description: empowering people.



Unity in the Community Walkathon

Be part of the Oct 16th GNP Walkathon starting in Evanston and ending up in GNP neighborhood park for a community block party. BIG event! Don't miss it!

Board Members

Become a member of our Board of Directors.

Ambassador Board

Looking for young professionals to support awareness raising and host social events for GNP. Fun way to help a non-profit friend-raise and fundraise.



Annual Opportunities

Spring—Annual Community Dinner—This is the one time each year we gather as one GNP family to celebrate all the work God is doing in our midst.

May—Annual Church Luncheon—GNP gives thanks and appreciation for the support of our church partners as we plan how to be Church together in the upcoming year.

October—Walkathon—Walk 2 1/2 miles from Evanston to Rogers Park to raise money to end homelessness and hopelessness. Ending in the neighborhood park, we join with GNP residents for music and food.

November—Thanksgiving Baskets—fill a basket with non-perishable food (not for a Thanksgiving Dinner but general groceries). Deliver to The Jonquil Hotel Thanksgiving morning.

December—Christmas Market—An opportunity to supply household and personal items and to assist residents in shopping for affordably priced gifts for their family. This is our most popular volunteer opportunity. Join this time of Christmas celebration.



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Donate

Donations from friends, churches, corporations and foundations are among Good News Partners' most vital resources.

We are sincerely grateful to all our donors — large and small. With your help, we will continue to strive to build community.

Contribute

- **Online** at www.goodnewspartners.org Click on the “Donate” button
- **Telephone**--Please call **773-764-4998**
- **Mail** – Please send a check or money order, payable to “Good News Partners” to: Jan Hubbard, Good News Partners, 1600 W. Jonquil Terrace, Chicago, IL 60626
- **Planned Giving:** A gift through your will or living trust will continue your support of Good News Partners as an important legacy in our community.

In-Kind Donations

In-kind donations (i.e. gently used furniture, clothes, appliances, etc) are given to all GNP residents who are in our welcoming stages of housing. Other GNP residents are farther along the road to self-sufficiency and are able to purchase items for themselves.

We are always in need of

- Refrigerators
- Gas stoves
- New socks and underwear for children

To learn more about being invested, contact Jan Hubbard, Executive Director of Development, at jan@goodnewspartners.org or visit our website at www.goodnewspartners.org.



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