

# DONATE



*Support that fits  
your needs*

Your gift can help us to change the lives of vulnerable older people in the Columbus, OH area.

You can help us to fight poverty, isolation and neglect among older people by making a donation. Your gift will give us the power to change the lives of vulnerable older people in need in the Columbus, OH area.

We are **100 Percent Volunteer Driven for the "Franny's Helper" program.**

This program carries no administrative costs and operates totally on gifts and volunteer hours.

## **No Administrative Costs**

There are no administrative costs because Gift of Time Ohio refuses to take payment. We store donated items in our oversized garage, and we use financial gifts to purchase whatever is not contributed.

## **Clients are Referred**

Seniors are screened through qualified staff.

Our staff is careful to ensure that the neediest of the needy receive assistance.

## **Emergency Services**

The elderly citizens served by Gift of Time Ohio have ended up alone and without financial security. Many are on waiting lists for government services such as Medicaid, but there are no Federal or State programs available for that gap period. However, Based on our emergency services supplies, Gift of Time Ohio is there to provide any items that are needed, such as emergency supplies, food, clothing, sheets, blankets, fans, personal hygiene items (including Depends®), cleaning supplies, vacuums, bath seats and more, until the senior receives relief from a formal government program.

All a case manager or family member has to do is call Gift of Time Ohio, and they can pick up what they need right away—there is no waiting—to ensure the need is met, immediately.

## **Holiday Wishes**

When you're alone, the holidays can be pretty daunting. Social workers seek out the neediest of our local seniors and ask what three wishes they might have.

Gift of Time Ohio will then find caring individuals from our community and from different businesses to help make Christmas a little merrier for these seniors.

### *A Brief History*

We feel that we have been blessed with friends and family, and we want to give back to those less fortunate.

Our "Franny's Helper" idea came from our sister-in-law in Iowa, age 65 who was seriously ill needing help with errands and housecleaning. She came close to death without the help needed as we in Ohio and family in Texas frantically started making calls to get her help.

We came across many roadblocks with Medicaid, Hospice, and other services. Not being able to travel to Iowa to help due to commitments, our frustrations were compounded. We did secure help at a cost and now she is getting help through Medicaid.

### **Care Boxes**

Our goal is to have Volunteers buy gifts as requested—often including special extras—wrap them and deliver them to Seniors. Our staff then picks up and delivers the gifts to local needy seniors. For many, these may be the first gifts they have received in years. They are always astonished; many times their eyes swell with tears and their hands tremble. These folks are just so happy that someone cares about them.

For the volunteers at Gift of Time Ohio, this is the biggest reward possible—to know that their efforts make such a huge difference, and that these care packages mean so much.

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**All you need to do is mail your check, payable to: Gift of Time Ohio Franny's Helper, to the following address: Gift of Time Ohio Franny's Helper, P.O. Box 866 Grove City, OH 43123**

*"The one who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord and will be rewarded for this deed." Proverbs 19:17*



### **MATERIAL GOOD**

- manual wheelchairs
- power wheelchairs
- handcycles
- walkers
- electric adjustable beds, and

These items have helped to increase residents' self-confidence and sense of independence.

If you can donate any of the above items in good condition, or

- New Clothing
- Computers
- Real Estate
- Motor Vehicles
- Celebration Supplies
- Printing Services
- Transportation
- Grant Writing Expertise
- Food
- Depends®
- Other items of value that we can use to help our Seniors.

One very effective and convenient way of giving for some individuals involves assets which have appreciated in value (e.g. stocks, real estate) that they can donate and potentially receive a tax benefit. We can provide referrals to knowledgeable experts to give you more information.

*FOR I WAS HUNGRY, AND YOU GAVE ME SOMETHING TO EAT; I WAS THIRSTY, AND YOU GAVE ME DRINK; I WAS A STRANGER, AND YOU INVITED ME IN; NAKED, AND YOU CLOTHED ME; I WAS SICK, AND YOU VISITED ME; I WAS IN PRISON, AND YOU CAME TO ME.*

Matthew 25:34-36

