

# **Living Wages**

Recent data shows that 26% of Hamilton County residents fall into an ALICE (Asset Limited, Income Constrained, Employed) classification. For a family of four with schoolaged children, their annual income is \$59,472. Individuals in this grouping are working, but not earning enough income. Their income often falls short of covering essential bills like utilities or groceries. Additionally, they have no safety net to cover unexpected events like a car repair or medical emergency. These are the families and individuals the Northside Neighborhood House is committed to walking

Living Wages Spring 2023

Our most recent white paper shines a light on wages, the cost of living, and the impact of one's pay on their ability to fully participate in the economy. Low wages limit access to needed resources and prohibit households from reaching stability.

I invite you to read and share our latest white paper. Our commitment is to continue to stand in the gap to keep our neighbors housed and stable. With your continued support, we are making an impact.

Warm Regards,

alongside.

#### HAVE YOU HEARD THE NEWS?????

NNH Thrift Stores **AND** Good Neighbor (our E-commer site) have been nominated for **Best of the Best in Chattanooga!** 

We'd appreciate your support by voting for us in the **Best Thrift Store** and **Best Local e-Commerce** categories. Simply **click** the photos below and you will be taken to the voting link.

You can vote once with every email under your name.

Help us to be the **Best Thrift** for the 4th year in a row, and the **Best Local e-Commerce** in our first year online.

Voting ends Wednesday, July 19!





## **Volunteer Spotlight: Linda Rath**

As a retired non-profit executive, Linda Rath has continued her path of serving others through her volunteer involvement with the Northside Neighborhood House. Her expertise, insight, and wisdom have been instrumental in guiding NNH's growth over the past 25 years.

When asked what NNH initiative she is most passionate about, she said it is our



CommUNITY Schools. "I think that most children in our schools need the extra attention and care that our CommUNITY Schools professionals can bring," she said. "NNH helps not only with a family's immediate needs, but with long-term development and stability through education, job training, computer, and

financial literacy."

NNH offers many ways to support our neighbors. If you are looking for volunteer opportunities such as working in one of our three thrift stores, helping in our main agency, or supporting the work in our CommUNITY School spaces, please reach out. To learn more visit **nnhouse.org/volunteer.** 



Good Neighbor is the Northside Neighborhood House's online store. From luxury brand-name clothes, shoes, handbags, and accessories to vintage and collectibles, Good Neighbor has something for everyone.

# Be sure to check out the July Sale.

Many items are 25% through 7/31/23.

The Northside Neighborhood House is hosting a "Good Tenant Workshop" on July 28 at 211 Minor Street from 12:00-4:00 pm.

Lunch is provided!

Come and learn about:

- Budgeting
- Credit
- Fair Housing Rights
- Lease Agreements and Lease Terminations
- Landlord / Tenant Rights
- Homeownership

Participants will earn their "Good Tenant" certification at the end of the course, plus an NNH Thrift Store voucher!

RSVP by 7/21 at this link: https://forms.gle/cjfFNDxR1KRhHbhz9

Our Northside Neighborhood Thrifts will be celebrating Christmas a little early this year. Be sure to stop by any of our thrifts to get in on the fun.

#### Christmas in July July 17 - 31

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## **Stability Spotlight**

We had a CommUNITY School parent who had stable housing until her landlord raised her rent beyond what she could afford. She ended up living in a hotel with her family. The housing authority did find her a place to live and got her set up, but she needed furniture. She had lost everything when she lost her apartment, and she only had two mattresses. We were able to write her a voucher to Northside Neighborhood House Thrift Storesto get needed furniture items for her new home.



The successes about which you read within our Stability Stories are because of our annual campaign, the Good Neighbor Fund.

Help with future Stability Stories by visiting NNHouse.org/donate

It's time for NNH to begin thinking about our Back To School Shop.

We are currently seeking donations of new school items that will be distributed to students to ensure they are ready for a new school year. The most needed items are listed <a href="https://www.needed.niems.needed.needed">here</a>, or you can shop from our <a href="https://www.needed





The Northside Neighborhood House

#### **IS HIRING!!!**

Learn more about our open positions by going to our **website**!

### **Tributes**

#### **In Honor**

Northside Neighborhood House, Soddy Daisy Campus Marsha Knox

### **In Memory**

#### **Mariam Brock**

The Bobby Stone Foundation

#### Frank Grant, Sr.

Robert and Catherine Crabtree

As the Northside Neighborhood House marches towards its 100th year, we thought it would be fun to share some of our moments in history.

Since our beginning in 1924, the NNH has been committed to education, ensuring children are



prepared to be successful in the classroom. In the 1960's, NNH received a state license to offer Kindergarten classes at the center. Enrollment quickly reached capacity, with a waitlist created. Partnerships with other local churches and organizations allowed NNH to offer life skills classes like cooking and sewing to school-aged girls in the community.

If you have been involved with the NNH as a volunteer, a donor, or someone who has participated in our programming, we want to invite you to share your experience. As we move toward our 100th Celebration, we dream of sharing more stories of impact with you and our neighbors.

Follow this link and let us hear from you!



If you're looking to support the Northside Neighborhood House in a non-traditional way, we can assist you with a stock transfer or other planned charitable gifts. For more information, please contact Jenny Stripling at <a href="mailto:jstripling@nnhouse.org">jstripling@nnhouse.org</a> or call 423-267-2217.

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