



## Counting Blessings

In my daily life, I try to show gratitude for those around me and the many blessings we enjoy here at the NNH. One of the things I'm constantly giving thanks for is our team's commitment to relationships.



This past Tuesday, we held our last Cooking Classes for this fall. What a gift to see Furaha, who started at the NNH as an elementary school student receiving homework help and is now a graduate student at UTC, leading the classes here at the NNH. Her smile and joy in teaching, leading, and encouraging the neighbors participating brought me such joy. I am grateful.

On Wednesday, our thrift team managers gathered here to plan for how the stores can participate in Giving Tuesday to raise even more money for our mission. Later that day someone shared how they love the energy and connectivity they see in the stores between our team and our shoppers. I am grateful.

On Thursday, I spent time with our TEN CommUNITY School Coordinators and shared how exciting it was to see the outcomes

from their work during this first quarter of the school year. From hundreds of visits to care closets and touchpoints to check on academic and behavioral progress to 276 students being served through afterschool programming at the middle and high school sites, this work is changing lives. I am grateful.

I'm also incredibly grateful for each of you who chooses to give of your time, treasures, and talents to support the work of the NNH.

Many blessings,

**Rachel Gammon, CEO**

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**There's still time to register for the 11th annual Stuffing Strut 5K walk/run on Thanksgiving Morning!**

This holiday tradition is the only Thanksgiving 5K exclusively benefitting organizations that support residents living in northern Hamilton County.

Come make a holiday memory on  
November 23 \* 8:30 a.m. \* Chester Frost Park!



**[Register Today!](#)**

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# IT'S TIME FOR SANTA'S WORKSHOP

NNH's "Santa's Workshop" provides children (newborn - 18 years old) with gifts for the holidays!

New, unwrapped toys can be donated to the NNH Main Agency from now until 12/12!

Call 423-267-2217 or email [mcreecy@nnhouse.org](mailto:mcreecy@nnhouse.org) for more information.



**Scan here for our Amazon wishlist!**

### Most Needed Items:

- Sporting equipment
- Arts & crafts
- Winter wear and coats
- Board games
- Stuffed animals (medium size)
- Teen gifts
- Books for all ages



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## Volunteer Spotlight

Today, we're highlighting Tenia Coggins, a dedicated volunteer who has been contributing her time and efforts to our Thrift Stores since the beginning of this year.

When discussing her role with NNH, Tenia shared, "I'm passionate about helping the thrift store where I volunteer be as profitable

as possible. Every penny I help raise goes to someone in need, so I want to help maximize sales by my efforts."



With a background of 38 years as a pharmacist, Tenia has always been committed to helping others. We love seeing her bring her passion for serving others to our Thrift Store volunteer team!

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](https://nnhouse.org/volunteer).



**Good Neighbor** is the Northside Neighborhood House's new online store and pop-up boutique. Our curated inventory offers lifestyle and luxury brands - from Anthropologie to Coach to Yves Saint Laurent. We also have unique and vintage collectibles. **Good Neighbor** is luxury for less - supporting the NNH.

### This Month's Featured Item

#### **Madame Alexander Dolls**

Madame Alexander Collectible Dolls have charmed and delighted for decades. From storybook characters to iconic figures in history, there's a doll for everyone. Good Neighbor has a new and growing collection of secondhand Madame Alexander dolls in excellent condition and in their original boxes - just in time for gift season!



Use promo code **GDNBR1120** at checkout to get 20% off your purchase. This promo code can be used on a single purchase for a maximum savings of \$100. Expires Nov. 30, 2023.

\*Be sure to ♥ our store and be notified of our latest sales!

## Stability Spotlight

Our connections in our ten CommUNITY Schools have created more connectivity to our school social workers. One social worker connected us to a neighbor who'd lost her job as a data analyst, and she'd not yet found a comparable job with equivalent pay. She'd gotten herself deep in debt with many credit cards, attempting to stay afloat. We provided for her basic need of food while also connecting her to multiple resources to help her save on expenses, as well as connecting her to Consumer Credit Counseling to try to consolidate her debt. Your support ensures that our working neighbors can remain stable during difficult times.



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](https://NNHouse.org/donate)



### Happy Thrifts-Giving!

When you spend \$30 in one of our NNH Thrift Stores between Nov. 17 - 22, you'll receive a reusable Northside Neighborhood House Tote Bag\* .... perfect for carrying your favorite dishes to the Thanksgiving Feast!

209 Minor Street

3605 Dayton Blvd

10161 Dayton Pike

## Join the Northside Neighborhood House Team!



We currently have the following open positions:

- Executive Administrative Coordinator
- Office & Scheduling Specialist
- Part-time afterschool staff for Soddy Daisy & Hixson High Schools

We'd love to have you join our team!

Learn more by visiting our [website!](#)



As we move into the holidays, our food pantry needs increase. We need your help in stocking our pantry, so that we can help our neighbors.

Donations can be dropped by the NNH office at 211 Minor Street during our regular business hours: Monday - Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

## Tributes

### In Honor

Debby Alper  
Helen Pregulman

**Rachel Gammon**  
Carolyn McDaniel

**Chad & Megan Goodman**  
Liz and Frank Grant

**Semeia Joseph**  
Stephanie Haywood

**Robert Love**  
David & Lea Anne Wiles

## **In Memory**

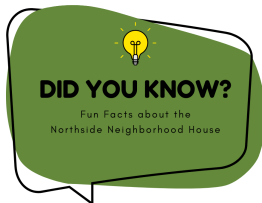
**Carole Clark**  
Bill James

**Ron & Myrna Gammon and Richard Martin**  
Joseph & Emma Martin

**Greg Leverett, Jr.**  
Allyson Porta

**Thomas Owens**  
Jamie Buttram

**Kay Smith**  
Sandra Henderson  
Betty Miller  
Pam Pollard



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

In the 2000s, Northside Neighborhood House expanded its educational offerings. The afterschool program was extended from serving K-5th to including K-8th grade. The NNH also collaborated with ReStart on an adult education GED program. During this time, Ansel Peak retired as Executive Director, and Rachel Gammon was appointed to the role. One of the lasting legacies of the 2000s was the establishment of the annual Not So Silent Auction, which has since become a cherished tradition, raising support for the NNH's vital work 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!



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*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 [jstripling@nnhouse.org](mailto:jstripling@nnhouse.org) or call 423-267-2217.*

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