# WHO WE ARE... WHAT WE DO... WHY WE DO IT... FOR WHOM WE DO IT...

Help-A-Neighbor, Inc. is an all-volunteer, nonprofit organization comprised of caring individuals who assist qualified Overland Park residents maintain their homes and property. We provide assistance with yard cleanup, exterior house painting and minor repairs.

It is through the commitment and efforts of generous volunteers that we exist. We are volunteer amateurs and professiona;s from all walks of life, working together to preserve neighborhoods and communities. This continued maintenance builds esteem, strengthens the community, and reduces crime.

Who qualifies? Resident homeowners of Overland Park who have physical and/or financial challenges that render them unable to perform the needed work or pay to have it done. Qualification is determined through an application process. Each project is unique and we do encourage recipients to participate at whatever level is appropriate, such as contributing toward the cost of materials, providing refreshments or food for our workers, assisting the organization with mailings, etc.

"Help-A-Neighbor is an example of what makes Overl strong: Neighb reaching out to neighbors, strengthening our community in the process. It turns neighbors into friends."

-Jay Lehnertz Overland Park City Councilman, Ward

#### How we came to be..

In 1995, Overland Park resident Jan Garber, initiated the first project. Then a chairperson for Historic Overland Park Neighborhood, he learned that an elderly woman in the area was physically unable to paint her home and financially unable to pay for professional painters. Jan presented the woman's dilemma to his neighborhood group and several people eagerly volunteered to paint her house.

Shortly thereafter, Jan learned of another resident who had health and financial problems, yet needed as much help at home to retain the property. Once again, a generous group of volunteers came forward to help. They repaired her roof, painted her house and removed brush and debris from her yard. She was able to retain ownership of her property and remained in her home. Since that time, the concept of helping neighbors has expanded to other neighborhoods and gained support from the Overland Park Conservation Program as well as the Mayor and City Council members.

#### Our Bright Future...

In 2001, the Help-A-Neighbor program incorporated as a not-for-profit organization and is currently seeking 501C3 tax exempt status, to be obtained shortly. We are extremely proud of every volunteer and every project we have worked on over the years and hope to increase our project list tremendously in 2002.

In order for this to happen, we need your help. Be it your time or dollars, we need you. Get involved today. Become a sponsor, donor or volunteer.

#### How To Get Involved....

Volunteer! Sign up for any of the following:
☐ Yard Work: raking/mowing/cutting limbs
☐ Painting: prep work to finish
☐ Carpentry: minor work/doors/leaky roofs
☐ Windows: winterizing/re-glazing/repair
☐ Marketing: fundraising/press releases
☐ I have other skills to offer listed below:
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To make a donation of money or new materials, please mail inquiries or checks to our mailing address below, attention:

Jan Garber

Mailing Address:

Help-A-Neighbor, Inc. P.O. Box 4024 Overland Park, KS 66204

Phone: 913 895-5111

### How to Submit a "Project" House

- Must be the residence homeowner
- Call 913 895-5111
- An application will be delivered

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## BECAUSE WE CARE

A Non-Profit
Organization to
Assist Qualified
Residents of
Overland Park,
Kansas

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