

## **Giving Back Where you Work**

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Dear W.C.

I live on Social Security and I just make it from month to month. I do everything I possibly can to survive. I do not have a nickel leftover to do any home repairs. My home seems to be falling apart around me. I was wondering if I could get some help with home repairs. There are holes in my window frame and I've been trying to put plastic up to clog the holes. I can still feel the cold air pouring in. I not only can't keep my home warm, I can't afford my heating bills. At this rate I will not be able to keep a roof over my head for long.

A Struggling Senior

Dear Readers:

I received this letter years ago. We were offering assistance in many ways but I was never able to provide any type of construction work/home repairs due to the overwhelming amount of funds needed to accomplish them. As we all know any type of home repairs can be very expensive. I always had to offer assistance in other areas.

Then over a year ago I was invited by Jean and Kent Kruzan, and Ron Amann to speak about poverty to a wonderful group, The Lakeland Builders Association. I was amazed at how intently the very large group listened as I talked about the pains of poverty. Afterwards, one member after another kept approaching and offering their specialized services. It was almost impossible to fully express my gratitude. When I got to my car I cried, thanking the Lord for introducing me to these wonderful individuals who had the skills to help the many poverty stricken living in homes that were in desperate need of repairs.

Since then this same remarkable group has founded "Builders Help". They always come to the calling for much needed repairs. I had the honor to be invited to one of their general meetings to hear about the good they have been doing. They once again allowed me to share with them the overwhelming stories of poverty we struggle to assist every day. I also shared my gratitude for all of them and the wonderful service they are offering. It is with much pride that I call all of these wonderful people my neighbors. True neighbors giving back, even in their very hard economic times in the building trade, these individuals and their companies look forward to helping with enthusiasm and a true desire to give back.

It is organizations of God-loving people like this and others who truly make our communities a wonderful place to live. I pray for the same camaraderie all over the world. I am filled with gratitude for all those helping to ease the pains of poverty.

*Health and Happiness, God Bless Everyone, WC*

**Summertime Foundation \$10,000 Matching Grant:** I am happy to announce we have met the Summertime Foundation \$10,000 Matching Grant. Thank you to the Summertime Foundation for this wonderful opportunity. In the near future I will give you a breakdown where every penny was spent. Together our Caring & Sharing will help ease the pain of living in poverty for many.

**Please Help:** Make checks payable to: The Time Is Now to Help, P.O. Box 70, Pell Lake, WI 53157. The Time Is Now to Help is a federally recognized 501(c)3 charitable organization licensed in the states of Wisconsin and Illinois. You will receive a tax deductible, itemized thank you receipt showing exactly what every penny of your donation provided for the poverty stricken.

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**Memorials:** James & Rita Barron in memory of Jean Morrissey. Carl & Estrid Sanders in loving memory of their daughter Jean. Rose LoVerde in memory of her husband Dominck LoVerde. Rudolph & Donna Zwolfer in memory of their granddaughter Jeanine.

**McDonald's Fundraiser:** Please join us Saturday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 2008. For the sixth year Bill McEssy is donating 100% of his gross sales from his 6 local McDonald's to The Time Is Now to Help. Please eat at one of Bill's following McDonald's locations: Lake Geneva, Lake Geneva Wal-Mart, Elkhorn, Delavan, East Troy, and Burlington. Every penny you spend will go to help our local poverty stricken of our communities.

**Needed Cars:** Once again we have a need for used cars. If anyone has a car they are thinking of trading in or an extra car you are not using, please think of those who are in desperate need of transportation to get them to and from work so they can provide the daily necessities for their families. Without reliable transportation it makes their situation even more desperate. Please Care & Share.

**Goodsearch for The Time Is Now:** Search the web with [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com) and help to raise funds for The Time Is Now to Help. Just make [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com)

your homepage, pick The Time Is Now as your charity and the rest is simple. You can even shop some of your favorite online retailers. It is a fun and easy way to help the poverty stricken.

**Endowments/Helping Others through Your Will:** For those of you who wish to leave an endowment for the poverty stricken, we would greatly accept any gifts. Please think of those in desperate need, good people, living in fear of poverty and consider helping them through your will.

**Donate Stocks/ Mutual Funds, Let the Government Contribute:** Consider donating shares of appreciated stocks and mutual funds to The Time Is Now to Help and receive twice the benefits from your gift. Please call 262-249-7000 if you would like more information.

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