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## TOWNSHIP BEGINS 'NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS' VOLUNTEER PROGRAM

Plymouth Township is starting a new program called "Neighbors Helping Neighbors"— a unique initiative designed to pair residents in need with volunteers willing to help.

"This is an idea that I had been thinking about for some time," said Township Clerk Jerry Vorva, whose office will be leading the effort. "It's a great way to provide help to residents at virtually no cost to the taxpayers."

Local resident Joshua Schriver, who is volunteering as the township's Community Service Coordinator, is developing the program by assembling a database of volunteers and groups looking to help, and will work to match those volunteers with residents in need.

"We find that many of our neighbors just need a hand with light housework, yard cleaning, snow shoveling, and debris removal," said Vorva, "we also know that we have hundreds of volunteers in our community – individuals, business, schools, churches and others – who are looking for opportunities to give back."

"I think it will be a unique way for the township to serve as a clearinghouse for folks looking to help and those who need it," Vorva added.

If you or your organization are looking to help, please contact Joshua Schriver at 734-414-1423 or email him at volunteer@plymouthtwp.org