Other programs offered through the Somerset County Office of Volunteer Services

Retired & Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP)

Tax Filing Assistance

Tutoring Program

Fall Leaf Clean-up

Special Events





The HANDYMAN PROGRAM

A Volunteer Driven Program

Questions?

Contact the Office of Volunteer Services at:

(908) 704-6358 VolunteerSvs@co.somerset.nj.us

Visit our website: **SoCoNJ.gov/volunteer**

The Handyman Program is provided courtesy of the:

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Human Services

Office of Volunteer Services

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Director

Do you need help at home with a small repair? Plumbing? Electric?



If you are interested in utilizing the services of our Handyman Program please call:

Office of Volunteer Services Handyman Program (908) 704-6358

The Somerset County Handyman Program

was created to provide support services to enhance the quality of life for seniors and physically disabled citizens of the County. The goal is to keep these residents living safe and independent lives in their own homes, allowing them to continue to be a viable part of the community. The Handyman Project utilizes the skills and talents of local volunteers.





Who is eligible to receive the service?

To be eligible for the service you must be:

- A senior citizen or disabled resident of Somerset County or the family of active duty military
- Unable to do the repair or task themselves
- Unable to find a contractor to do the small job



What is the cost to the client?

Clients are expected to pay for supplies but the volunteer labor is free.

Donations are accepted to help defray the costs of the program and to help pay for supplies for those who cannot afford to pay.



What kind of jobs are typically requested?

Plumbing: replace washers and valve stems, repair running toilets (no new plumbing)

Carpentry: minor repairs (no new construction)

Electric: replace sockets, switches, bulbs, or light fixtures (no high ceiling or new wiring)

Yard Work: the Handyman Program coordinates an annual Fall Leaf Cleanup in November

Other examples: Install grab bars; change batteries in smoke detectors; remove or set in place window air conditioners, change light bulbs; minor repairs of furniture (fix a wobbly chair, tighten hinges on a cabinet and similar) hang window blinds, curtains or pictures; (no cosmetic work or painting). Design and install wheelchair ramps (must be wheelchair bound)