



Dear Neighbor Ministries

eNews Update

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Welcome to this months **eNews Update**. Remember you can share this with others you think might be interested by email, Facebook or LinkedIn, just click your choices at the top of the page.

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A short break from their extreme makeover of a **StepStone** home means time for a photo.

St. Joseph's Academy students give back

Twelve juniors from Baton Rouge Louisiana spent a week in Wichita this month working on a number of projects.

The students were accompanied by Lori McRoberts, campus minister and Linda Fryoux Harvison, principal.

They painted, removed carpeting and revived the over grown yard of a **StepStone** home.

St. Joseph's Academy is a sponsored ministry of the Congregation of St. Joseph as is **Dear Neighbor Ministries**.

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13 Years of Community Gardening!

Its hard to believe but our Community Garden is in its 13th season. Started in 1997 as a way to help people in the Hilltop neighborhood while preventing the lot from becoming a dump.

This year we are pleased that more people from the neighborhood are gardening. We supply the tools, water and fresh natural fertilizer, gardeners supply the plants, seeds and hard work.



Two gardeners inspect their plot.

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Serle McNeil

Board Member Profile

Meet Serle McNeil, a member of the Dear Neighbor Ministries board of directors.

She is a former naval officer and general partner of DLM Holdings, LLC. Serle also serves on the Magdalen school council.

She and her husband, Dr. Larry McNeil have two children.

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StepStone could serve more with rental homes.

Since 1996 StepStone has served over 650 women and children who live in one of our 15 homes for up to two years.

In an attempt to serve more families we are looking for property owners who are willing to collaborate with us. We are especially hopeful to find owners who will consider a rental rate below market value.

StepStone clients receive a variety of support services making them ideal renters.

Interested parties should contact us at

stepstone@csjoseph.org

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Most StepStone homes are 2 or 3 bedrooms. Duplexes or apartments are also considered.



How You Can Help

Click the photo above to go to our secure donations website

Friends would you or someone you know consider a monthly gift direct from savings, checking or credit card. Some 35 people have found this to be a safe and efficient way to support Dear Neighbor Ministries. You can register by clicking the photo on the left. A one-time gift can also be made at the same site. Thank You.

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