Neighbor 2 Neighbor
Subscription based services for elderly residents

CLARENCE CENTER, NY

MY IDEA FOR CHANGE

My project aims to serve people of retired age to acquire services from home by creating a subscription based service that provides personal support for the elderly in order to build a stronger community, provide jobs for young adults, and increase the level of care for the elderly in their own homes. The program is subscription based, implementing teens and young adults to provide help and services to the elderly at their own convenience. A yearly subscription gives a person access to young people from the community, who are willing to provide services such as transportation, housework, and even just general company. This program is a great way to build a stronger community, by providing jobs for young adults and services for the elderly, from right in their own homes.

This project uses the app NextDoor, like a listserv for social listing of lost pets, babysitting needs, leaf raking, requests for good service providers, walking clubs, etc. In addition, Neighbor 2 Neighbor would host small quarterly “neighbor events” at a local church to build community.

WHERE THE CHANGE WILL HAPPEN

Clarence Center, NY.

Planning a Change

ACCTIONS TO MOVE IT FORWARD

- Gather demographic information from Town Hall
- Ask for church participation/meeting space/presentations
- Develop an advertisement
- Develop a web page

RESOURCES NEEDED TO MAKE IT HAPPEN

Volunteers, Clients, Partnerships

FUNDING RANGE

$0-$500 for coordinating expenses

About the Champion...

Sue Tannehill is an adjunct faculty member at the University of Buffalo. She is married and has two children now 20 and 16. Sue enjoys having roots in her neighborhood after her early nomadic existence. She has a home now in Northern Clarence and it is the 22nd place she has lived in her life. She has lived there for 24 years. This country neighborhood has gone from widely scattered older homes, along two mile long country roads to the development of dozens of new, larger homes being placed on these same roads.