



## What kind of jobs are typically requested?

Minor home repairs that do not require permits.

*Wheelchair ramps are the only exception.*

- Install grab bars
- Change batteries or replace smoke detectors
- Repair doorbells or install smart doorbells (*like Ring*)
- **MINOR PLUMBING:** replace washers & valve stems, repair running toilets (no new plumbing)
- **MINOR ELECTRICAL:** replace sockets, switches, bulbs or light fixtures (no high ceiling or new wiring)
- **PUT IN / TAKE OUT** window or air conditioners
- Minor carpentry
- Be a part of the Wheelchair Ramp Construction Team

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## THE HANDYMAN PROGRAM

*Needs You!*

A VOLUNTEER DRIVEN PROGRAM



*Handy Around the House?  
Like Helping Others?*

**Volunteer Now!**

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## The Somerset County Handyman Program's

mission is to provide small home repairs 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.

### What is the Process?

Clients call Volunteer services for assistance. After a brief intake form is completed, the job will be available for a qualified volunteer to complete.

The Handyman volunteer who chooses the job will call the client to schedule an appointment at a mutually agreeable time. Before work begins, the client must sign a waiver holding the County of Somerset and the volunteer harmless from any and all lawsuits. Lastly, the client must be present while the work is being done.

### Who are Our Clients?

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 themselves
- Unable to find a small job contractor

### 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.

### Who Volunteers... YOU:

Our volunteers are local residents who come from many sectors of the community.

Their backgrounds and skills differ but they have one thing in common, the desire to utilize their talents and time working to make a difference in the lives of others. Volunteers are screened and must submit to a background check.

## To Become a Handyman Volunteer

Begin by completing a Volunteer Application in any of these ways:

**CALL OUR OFFICE AT:**  
**(908) 704-6301**



**SCAN AND FOLLOW QR CODE OR VISIT:**  
**[co.somerset.nj.us/volapp](https://co.somerset.nj.us/volapp)**

**GO ONLINE AND EMAIL:**  
**[Volunteersvs@co.somerset.nj.us](mailto:Volunteersvs@co.somerset.nj.us)**

*Once an application is submitted, please call our office to schedule a background check which is required to volunteer.*

*Attend our monthly meetings to choose jobs, get to know the team & have fun!*

