

Helpers on Hand Brochure

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About Us

This idea has been brewing for several years while my partner and I have been contemplating retirement. His concern is that he'll need something to do. We've talked about task rabbits, but that seemed random. He is often called upon by others for small tasks and loves to help. Sometimes we get the sense that people feel awkward or guilty asking directly. Then the task rabbit idea morphed into a call to arms among the neighbors, but wouldn't it be cool if the neighbors that could help let us know ahead of time. And what if we are the ones needing help?! We needed a signup sheet of sorts...

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A modern incarnation of give-a-penny, take-a-penny for small communities where neighbors help each other with domestic tasks.



Why?

When you need help with something who do you ask? Is it the same person most of the time?

A family member, a friend, a neighbor, a colleague...

Do you ask freely or with a tinge of guilt or a sense of feeling like a burden?

Why not?

Why not ask someone that you know wants to help?

Someone that volunteers to help with the very thing you need and is good at doing that thing?

But Who?

Think about all the retired folks you know. Many are looking for something to do without making a full commitment to another job.



Some folks just need to complete tasks to feel a sense of accomplishment. Those are the folks that will volunteer to help their friends and neighbors with random chores.

What?

Helpers on Hand allows you to login to a site on the internet where you can choose who you want to be in the context of this community.

Choose a role:

- Client
- Volunteer
- Manager

Client

You can login as a client and choose from a menu of common chores. If you do not see the chore you need completed, you may submit a special request.

Volunteer Helper

You can login as a volunteer help-



er and choose from a menu of common chores you can perform. You will also select days and times you are available to perform them.

Manager

The person with the manager role receives the requests from clients and matches them to the availability of helpers and connects them.

What's needed?

- A calling to help others
- Code files from this [repository in Github](#)
- Somewhere to store a database

How does it work?

Check out this [demo](#).

