Brethren Helping Hands (BHH)

Mission Statement: Continuing the work of Jesus by helping others.

Purpose: To provide labor for clean-up, repair, rebuilding or other assistance following a disaster or for other special needs.

Recipient Screening guidelines:

1. Recipient must be sponsored by a local congregation.

2. Work will be done only on primary residence of recipient. We would willingly help someone who is living in a rented dwelling if it only involves clean up, not in the case of permanent repairs.

3. A release of liability form must be signed by recipient.

4. Financial responsibility for materials and building permits are the responsibility of the recipient.

5. All jobs will be accepted only after an onsite review by designated representative of Southern Ohio District. The onsite review will be checking for safety concerns, the scope of the job, building codes, preparing a materials list, etc.

Guidelines for volunteers:

1. All volunteers must complete an registration and release of liability form.

- 2. Minor volunteers must have a parental signature on the release of liability.
- 3. Volunteers under the age of 14 must be accompanied by an adult family member.

Guidelines for congregations:

1. The local congregation will be responsible for determining demonstrated need (fire, disability, illness, localized natural disaster, etc.). In case of a larger project, there may be a need for further financial screening which would need to be performed by an outside agency.

2. Recipient does not need to be a member of the congregation, but will need to have some connection to the congregation.

3. Training for local congregations will be available to assist them in the screening process.