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From the Director

Just to clarify...

I AM NOT RETIRING!! I've been hearing regular questions and comments about my upcoming retirement, so I thought I'd better address it before they change my door code at SCCO!

I am still in this for the long haul, it's just that my time and energy will be refocused on organizational issues, and not so much time at peoples' homes doing the actual repairs or moving furniture with Hero's Attic. That part of the job is now being done by Christian Soll.

After spending the past 20 years balancing several different jobs with SCCO, it's time to pass the Home Repair torch to the next generation, as was outlined in the last newsletter. I will still be very active in the organization, but in a different capacity.

Think of it as the veteran quarterback stepping off the field and into General Management. There are still plenty of things he can do which will ultimately grow and

strengthen the team, without having to put on the pads every week.

I hope this makes sense and that everyone understands the necessity of these changes. I just turned 64 in January, but still have several more years left in me, but maybe not at 40 hours per week.

Thank you for all your support over the years and for continuing support going into the future.

Ron French; SCCO Executive Director



Welcome, Beth Larson!

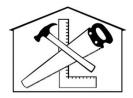
A new face joined our Hero's Attic team in January 2025 as part of the Able Network Senior Aide Program. Please give Beth a warm Shelby County welcome when you see her. She looks forward to meeting you and helping you with your Hero's Attic purchases. In her own words...

"Hello, I am Beth Larson and wanted to introduce myself. I moved to Harlan in March of 2024 from Owatonna, Minnesota. In the past two years I have been recuperating from a battle with cancer of my mouth. Treatment involved 5

surgical procedures done over 8 hours, and a round of radiation treatment as well. The move to Harlan has been a very good move, and I am settling in. My next goal is to get back to work. Thank you, SCCO, for giving me a place and opportunity to meet that goal. I look forward to getting to know the people of Harlan and Shelby County as I make it my home.

God Bless you all. ~Beth~ "

SCCO Ministries—Providing Solutions for Shelby County



SCCO/Home Repair

Providing Solutions for your "Honey Do" list for the elderly, disabled and low income families of Shelby County.

~We specialize in repairs which are too small for most other contractors.
Small Home Repairs, Odd jobs, Yard work, Patching...
Client covers cost of materials; No labor charge—Free will offerings accepted.



SCCO/Community Service

Providing Help with Community Service Projects for elderly, disabled, and low income families of Shelby County. When projects are beyond the scope of SCCO/Home Repair, we will seek to connect clients with other groups, contractors, or organizations to see about more in depth response.

- *Yard Work Projects
- *Painting Projects
- *Renovations



SCCO/Bridging the Gap

Connecting Those in Need with Help and Services.

- *Maintain Awareness of and Coordinate with other Offices for Creative Solutions
- *Help Clientele find contacts for other Organizations or Services.
- *Use Salvation Army Funds to Assist with Utilities and Special Projects.
- *HUD Monthly Outreach Office Sharing
- *Partnering with UniteUs.com



SCCO/Hero's Attic: Providing Solutions for Affordable Preowned Home Furniture and Appliances.

The Purpose of Hero's Attic:

- *Offering affordable prices and sliding-scale discounts.
- *Supporting the operating needs of SCCO.
- *Introducing the public to SCCO and its services.
- *Saving usable furniture from going to the landfill.

Open Hours:

T, W, TH 10:30-6:00 F, Sat 10:30-3:00

Policies:

Open to the public; Reasonably priced.

Discounts available on a sliding scale according to household income levels.

We will hold an item for two business days with no down payment.

Delivery/Pick Up available—minimum fee \$10 + \$1/mile one way outside Harlan city limits.

Small Contributions = Big Impact Small Contributions

We will continue to meet the needs of people here in Shelby County with home repairs and affordable furnishings to the very best of our ability, but only YOU can insure the long term success of SCCO by supporting us with a monthly contribution.

A commitment of as little as \$5.00 a month helps provide us with a predictable, sustainable working budget.

Thank you!