

Franklin County Guardianship Service Board

Greetings,

We want to share an opportunity to give to people in Franklin County who are sometimes forgotten about.

The Franklin County Guardianship Service Board serves as guardian of the person of adult individuals with developmental disabilities, issues of aging, and severe mental illness. These men and women have no other persons in their lives who can serve as their guardian. They are what is legally known as "wards of the state". The Court has entrusted decision-making to the GSB, for matters that effect their personal rights and well-being.

Most of these individuals receive approximately \$50.00 per month for discretionary spending for purchases including hygiene items, clothing, snacks, entertainment, presents, cigarettes, etc. Fifty dollars spends quickly; no Starbucks or DoorDash for them.

On the landing page of our website is the link to an [Amazon Holiday Wish List](#) with the actual items that our social workers picked out for our clients. We encourage you to look at the list to see what kinds of gifts they want. The items will ship directly to our office. We will safely deliver all gifts to our clients.

Please consider 2 ways to get involved:

1. Go to the website, click on the link and purchase a gift for a client.
<https://www.guardian.franklincountyohio.gov/>
2. Share the link with anyone you know who may be interested in giving to the poorest individuals in Franklin County.

If you want further information call us at (614) 525-2279
or email us at guardianshipserviceboard@franklincountyohio.gov.

Thank you for taking part in this opportunity to spread holiday cheer to people who are otherwise not likely to receive a gift purchased specifically with them in mind.

We wish you health and happiness for the New Year!