

DAY OF SERVICE 2010 REPORT

SHEPHERDSVILLE, KY BRANCH

LOUISVILLE, KY STAKE

The Shepherdsville, KY Day of Service in 2010 consisted of three different projects which were scheduled to happen simultaneously. A local non-profit organization, the MPCA, services several families and individuals in the community who are elderly, disabled, and struggling financially. They had a few homes that were in need of our labor and we were glad to oblige. We were originally planning on April 24th but thunderstorms delayed our project until the following Wednesday, April 28th. The projects were all a huge success!

The projects were as follows: 1) Trimming trees for a lady who could not afford to have them cut down after the previous wind storm broke several branches on the tree. We were able to trim the branches from 30 feet above ground, so that the house was safe. 2) Replacing a damaged Shed. This turned into repairing the shed they had after the plan to move another into its place failed 3) Yard work for a home that was extremely overdue. This was extremely successful and had a very high turnout.

The Detailed Report for Each of the Projects

Tree Trimming Project

(writing this portion of the report was Brother George Peterson, who was in charge of this location)

I got there at 5:30.. I met Mrs. Hurt and she thanked us for coming...said it was an answer to her prayers. He son, Stephen, a laid-off pipe fitter came out and started helping me. he moved the cars and started cleaning up the brush as I got it down. As it turns out he wanted to keep most of it to burn at small campfires he has there at the house so he started stacking it in a pile behind a fence. He is a very friendly person and a hard worker. We enjoyed working together until about 6:30 when the group of men and YM arrived (Kelly Reasor, Rodderick Hahn, Willy Webber and Joey Webber)

We continued to work for about another 45 minutes and cleaned up completely before leaving at about 7:20 or so.

We got all of the dead wood out of two trees in front. We also took out quite a bit of live growth to bring the front Maple under better control. We also removed some limbs over the shed which were rubbing on the shed. Stephen was very appreciative. We invited him to visit us at church some Sunday . He knows where the church is. He and Kelly had had some contact with each other over the past years and knew some people in common.

Kelly Reesor had to haul only a very small amount of brush and said he had a place for it. Everything went very well... better than I had thought it might when I first arrived and saw what was to be done.

Thanks for all you have done to make this a success. Great job!!

Shed Project

Another disabled and elderly family in the MPCA program had their new metal shed picked up by a windstorm and rolled across their lawn.

We originally decided that the shed was in disrepair and to replace it. We had a person donate their nicer shed to this family and we had a moving company donate their services to move it. It was going to be a huge success.

When the shed moving company tried to move the shed, however, it was not strong enough for the trip so we had to leave it where it was.

Instead, we arrived early and **fixed** the shed that was there, added a floor, and hopefully made it strong enough to survive another storm. The family was very grateful and their son was also there to help.

Yard Work Project

This was by far the busiest of the sites we worked on. Over 30 people showed up initially and others joined later. Even 4 neighbors pitched in to help get this nice lady's home back into shape. The neighbors also let us use their power since there were no external power outlets on the property we were working on.

We raked leaves, fixed the gutter and part of the house, trimmed branches, disposed of branches, removed trash and leaves, mowed the yard, beautified a garden by adding donated mulch, removing weeds, painting rock statues, and a whole lot of other things.

When it was all said and done almost four hours later, the house looked great. This single project had almost 100 man hours in it.

The lady who needed the help is in the hospital due to an injury and so we have yet to get her response. We, however, feel great!

CHECKLIST OF ITEMS REQUESTED

- a. Title: **Yard-Work for the Elderly and Disabled (3 Different Projects)**
- b. Stake: **Louisville Kentucky Stake**
- c. Key Photograph: **SEE ATTACHED (Group Photo)**
- d. Community Partners: **The Neighbors joined us during the activity when they saw what was going on and helped us do the project. A total of 6 people.**
- e. Religious Partners: **NONE**
- f. Organization Served: **Multi Purpose Community Action Agency (MPCAA.org)**
- g. Event Influencers:
 - i. VIP of organization: **Mary Wilson**
 - ii. Title: **Title III Supervisor** - Mary supervises the organization in at least 3 counties in the Southern Louisville Area.
- h. Number of LDS Volunteers: **35**
- i. Number of Non-LDS Volunteers: **6**
- j. Total number of Volunteers: **41**
- k. Total Service Hours: **125**
- l. Description of What Happened: **See description at the beginning of this report**
- m. Photograph 1: **Small-KeyPhotograph_Shepherdsville2010**
 - i. If the key photograph does not take up one of our 3 pictures, then the picture of gathering branches can be used here. "small-branches"
- n. Photograph 2: **Small-BeforeAfter**
- o. Photograph 3: **Small-BaggingLeafs**
- p. Youtube Video Link: <http://www.youtube.com/dayofserviceky>
- q. **OTHER:**
 - i. Copy of any press releases: **NONE. A follow-up press release is to follow, but not in time for this report.**

- ii. Copy of announcements or flyers utilized to publicize the Day of Service: **SEE ATTACHED (2 different files)**
- iii. Copy of Newspaper articles or links to website articles: **SEE ATTACHED**
- iv. Copy or web link to news broadcast clips: **None yet.**
- v. Statements by local priesthood leads, VIPs, Opinion Leaders, Religious Partners, etc.
 - 1. Create a list of 4-5 questions that can be asked on the day of service and use an audio recorder. Write up recorded statements for submitting on DOS website. **SEE ATTACHED**
- vi. Warm stories from volunteers that celebrate the success of Christ-like service. **SEE ATTACHED**