

KNP Konnections



From Our Editor, Nancy Allenby

HAPPY NEW YEAR! We are so thankful that our volunteers, community partners and donors contribute so faithfully to form a network of support in the Kearsarge region. Whatever challenges 2022 holds for us, we'll work TOGETHER to make it the best year it can be for our neighbors, and for our community!



New KNP Volunteer Coordinator

CHECK YOUR IN-BOX FOR A NOTE FROM BETH! KNP has hired Beth Greenawalt to answer calls and emails from neighbors seeking help, match KNP volunteers to community needs, and facilitate even more future volunteer opportunities.

Beth has a varied background that prepares her for many aspects of KNP's work. After an initial career in biomedical engineering, she transitioned to being a full-time mom before going back to school for an M.A. in Parent Coaching and Child Development. Beth started her own business as a certified parent coach to have a positive impact on children and families.

As an Advocate for KNP, Beth is well-versed in the needs of our neighbors, and the myriad ways we can help support them. She is eager to connect one-on-one with KNP's volunteers to get to know them, and to gather a sense of how to best use their talents and their passions.



Three 'Kars' Gifted!

WHAT A GREAT DECEMBER as three local people in disparate need of transportation received a gifted car through *Kars for Kearsarge!* Thanks to three generous individuals (and both Walker Automotive and Marshall's Garage for making the gifted cars "road ready") these neighbors now have safe, reliable vehicles, and a new measure of independence. As an added bonus, all three recipients plan to volunteer to help with wood deliveries, or with other neighbors' transportation needs.

If you know someone who has a functioning car or truck that they no longer use, PLEASE encourage them to gift it to a neighbor in need! For more information, [email us](#), or call 603-317-5900.



Advocates Help 47 Neighbors

OUR TWENTY-SEVEN KNP ADVOCATES reached out to 47 households during 2021, serving as both connectors and friends to local neighbors. Advocates help with a range of neighbors' needs, such as accessing appropriate local resources so that neighbors can reach more independence and stability in their lives.

Cindy Benson and Cindy Johnson work closely with the advocates to develop policies and procedures, as well as provide monthly training. An advocate manual is in the works that will serve as a guide for assessing neighbors' needs, setting realistic goals and finding resources. **WE VALUE OUR ADVOCATES**, and we invite willing volunteers to join the ranks. [Email us](#) if you're interested in knowing more!

KNP COVID-19 POLICY AND MASKS

PLEASE TAKE A PEAK at KNP's revised [COVID-19 policy](#). We want you to feel safe and comfortable if you plan to come into contact with neighbors or community partners, so we have N-95 masks available. You can pick them up M-Th, 8-3:30 and Friday 8-12 from Kit Ross in the office of First Baptist Church at 461 Main St. New London, or contact Volunteer Coordinator [Beth Greenawalt](#).

Check-In's Are Very Important

PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU check in each time you interact with a neighbor or partner. Thank you for lining up a substitute if you are unable to fulfill a recurring commitment with one of our partners.

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