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"GOOD DEEDS" PROGRAM COMING TO TRUMBULL COUNTY

WARREN, OH 7/28/23- If you have ever had questions about how to prepare your assets to pass down to whomever you choose when you pass away, several county offices are coming together to help. In a collaborative effort, the Trumbull County Recorder, Clerk of Courts, and Probate Court are joining forces to bring a program called "Good Deeds-Trumbull" to all residents in Trumbull County.

"How you own your assets while you are living will determine what happens to those assets when you pass", said Trumbull County Recorder Tod Latell. The goal of this program is to give you the tools to take action now to help save your family time and money when a loved one passes on" Latell added.

The presentation by all three offices should take about 45 minutes to an hour total, and then any questions will follow. Topics discussed include real estate, motor vehicles, boats, mobile homes, bank accounts, life insurance, investments and wills. "The time is now," said Trumbull County Probate Judge James Fredericka. "The Good Deeds-Trumbull program provides guidance on what steps you can take to prepare for your family's future", he added.

The Good Deeds program has been done in several other counties across the state, and Latell credits his involvement in the Ohio Recorders Association (ORA) to bringing this back to Trumbull County. "Being on the ORA Legislative Committee, networking with other Recorders across the state and this past year as a national delegate for the ORA has given me a unique opportunity to see what other officials are doing to help their offices and communities." Latell said. "I was able to attend a Good Deeds program in another county back in 2019, and thought it would be great to start here. I had spoken to Judge Fredericka and Clerk of Courts Karen Infante Allen at that time and they were both on board, and then COVID hit. Now, we are finally ready and excited to bring this program home" he added.

The first program presentation is set for Thursday September 7th at 6:30PM at St Demetrios Community Center, 3223 Atlantic St. NE in Warren. "We plan to do this presentation on a quarterly basis, and move it around to different venues across the county," said Clerk of Courts Karen Infante Allen. "We are looking for locations, so please reach out to my office, the Recorder's office, or Probate Court if you have a venue available," she added. There is no cost to attend and anyone interested is welcome.

For more information, contact the Trumbull County Recorder's office at 330-675-2401.