WHAT ELSE CAN I DO TO HELP?

- Donate to or volunteer at social services organizations dedicated to helping those in need. A full list of partnering organizations is available at realchangedayton.org.

- Become more knowledgeable about panhandling by visiting local service agencies to learn of other ways you can help.

- Educate others about alternatives to giving directly to panhandlers.

PROJECT PARTNERS & SUPPORTING AGENCIES:

- GOODWILL/EASTER SEALS OF THE MIAMI VALLEY
- THE FOOD BANK
- HOMEFULL
- MIAMI VALLEY HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES
- MONTGOMERY COUNTY ALCOHOL, DRUG ADDICTION AND MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES (ADAMHS)
- PATH PROGRAM STREET OUTREACH (PROJECTS FOR ASSISTANCE IN TRANSITION FROM HOMELESSNESS)
- ST. VINCENT DEPAUL

THERE’S A BETTER WAY TO GIVE

TEXT “REALCHANGE” TO 71777 OR FOR MORE INFO GO TO REALCHANGEDAYTON.ORG
REAL CHANGE DAYTON

is a collaborative awareness program to address panhandling in our community. The primary focus is to educate the public on the resources already available that provide an array of services to those in need, including food, clothing, shelter and other support.

The program also offers an alternative to giving spare change directly to individuals on the street. Text “RealChange” to 71777, visit realchangedayton.org or make a donation at one of the Real Change meters located throughout downtown.

IT’S OKAY TO SAY NO.

There are safer alternatives to get your support into the hands of those in need.

Real Change Dayton by itself is not a solution – it is part of a broader community-wide effort to address the larger issues behind panhandling. Our community’s generosity better serves those who are truly in need when directed to social services agencies in our community.

USE YOUR SPARE CHANGE TO MAKE REAL CHANGE.

Text “RealChange” to 71777 or visit www.realchangedayton.org to make a donation that will support education and outreach services for individuals in need.

QUESTIONS?

Where does money donated to Real Change Dayton go?
Money donated to Real Change Dayton will be directed to United Way of the Greater Dayton Area and invested in programs that focus on financial stability, positive health outcomes and emergency services. You can learn more about these services by visiting www.realchangedayton.org.

Why do we need this program?
Panhandling exists in cities of all sizes across the country. Real Change Dayton is focused on improving the well-being and stability for all of our neighbors. Assuring that all people have access to programs and services that meet their basic needs and set them on a path to self-sufficiency and positive health will provide positive outcomes for our entire community.

What you should do if asked for money?
The best response is to politely say “no” and walk away or drive away. If a panhandler becomes aggressive or if you feel threatened, contact the police by calling 937-333-COPS (2677). Anyone on the street who is in need of help can call HelpLink by dialing 2-1-1. This service is free, confidential and available 24 hours a day. The HelpLink operator can help connect individuals in need with the appropriate resources in our non-profit community. Just dial 2-1-1 or 225-3000.