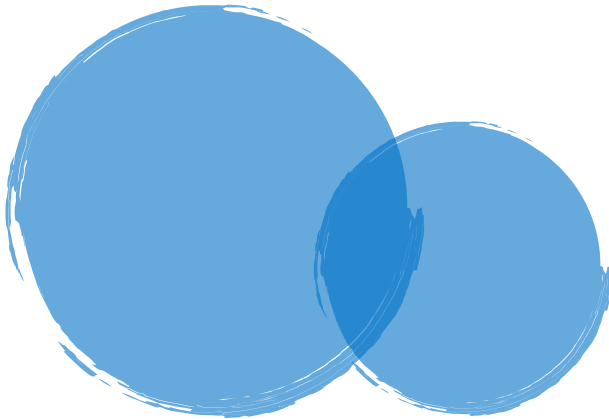


Who We Are

Northwest Ohio GSB is a guardianship service provider that was established to protect and exercise the legal rights of Defiance, Fulton and Williams County individuals who are not able to act on their own behalf. Once a Probate Court judge has deemed a person incompetent, the GSB assists those clients with all needs in the community. We can assist with housing, food, medical services, payee services and social benefits. We regularly advocate for the best possible care and living situation for their medical and mental health needs.



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OUR SERVICES

Public guardianships are often necessary if the person does not have any family or significant other to help with life changing issues. NWOGSB can act as a guardian of the last resort for individuals that do not have anyone to advocate for their needs. We collaborate with all local service providers, and can assist with medical treatment, benefits and supportive services.

OUR GOAL

Our goal is to assist clients only when assistance is required due to their specific need or disability. We allow our clients to live their lives with as few restrictions as possible – managing a balance between support and self-determination. This balance requires the engagement of our client's entire support system.

ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA

- An adult, 18 years or older;
- A resident of Defiance, Fulton or Williams County;
- Has been determined to be incompetent;
- Presenting a problem or situation requiring legal authority to act, such as a health care, financial or placement decision;
- Without another adult or entity available and/or appropriate to serve as guardian; or
- Be found suitable for such guardianship assigned by the corresponding probate court.

CLIENT BENEFITS

- Resource stability
- Commitment to excellence
- Less homelessness
- Less hospitalization
- Family involvement
- Less abuse and neglect
- Increased use of benefits and services

“Help the life of one person and you can help the community.”

-Steven Sawalich

