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## GOOD DEEDS PROGRAM

Early Preparation  
to Help Avoid  
Probate.



**Save Money.**  
**Save Time.**  
**Protect Your Assets.**

# HAMILTON COUNTY GOOD DEEDS PROGRAM

The Hamilton County Probate Court and the Hamilton County Recorder's Office are offering the GOOD DEEDS PROGRAM to help Hamilton County residents better understand probate issues regarding their property transfers.

The GOOD DEEDS PROGRAM, includes a voluntary deed review process for homeowners. The goal of this effort is to help Hamilton County residents identify if their current deed and other assets will require transfer through Probate Court upon death, and to consider less expensive and time-consuming alternatives to a probate transfer. More information about this program is available on the Probate Court and Recorder's websites.

The Court is available to effectively probate the estates of Hamilton County residents and sometimes a will and opening an estate is necessary. You should know, however, that a less expensive and faster alternative may be available in certain situations. Our GOOD DEEDS CHECKLIST provides examples of types of property you may own and explains low or no cost ways to avoid a probate transfer, saving you and your loved ones legal costs down the road.

## HOW THE GOOD DEEDS PROGRAM WORKS



RECORDER'S OFFICE WILL  
PROVIDE A COPY OF CURRENT  
DEED UPON REQUEST.

VISIT THE PROBATE COURT  
WEBSITE FOR MORE  
INFORMATION: [PROBATECT.ORG](http://PROBATECT.ORG)



CHECK WITH YOUR LOCAL  
ATTORNEY FOR INDIVIDUAL  
ESTATE PLANNING ADVICE AS  
NEEDED.

## CHECKLIST

- Real Estate Survivorship Deeds for Couples or Joint Owners
- Transfer on Death (T.O.D.) Affidavit for Individual Owners of Real Estate
- Payable on Death (P.O.D.) Bank Accounts
- Motor Vehicle Transfer on Death (T.O.D.)
- Life Insurance and Other Investment Accounts

**More information about the items on the Good Deeds Checklist:**



OR GO TO:

**[PROBATECT.ORG](http://PROBATECT.ORG)**

**[RECORDERSOFFICE.HAMILTON-CO.ORG](http://RECORDERSOFFICE.HAMILTON-CO.ORG)**

The information in this brochure is provided as a public service and **does not** constitute legal advice which can only be given to you by an attorney. Many Probate matters involve complex and valuable legal rights. It is advisable to speak with an attorney to assist with estate planning.