

Business offers helping hand around the house

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Need a helping hand around the house?

Home Helpers, a non-medical, in-home care agency, is a new business that has been opened by Michael Gardner and Carol Brooker-Gardner. Home Helpers is a national franchise that offers care to senior citizens, new mothers and those recovering from a recent illness, injury or surgery.

Services such as companionship, transportation, shopping or groceries, doing laundry, light housekeeping and meal preparation can be tailored to meet anyone's personal needs whether for a few hours, the whole day, once a week or every day.

The caregivers must pass both the national training program that's been modified to meet all the requirements of the state of Oregon for in-home caregivers and a criminal background check, and have at least one year of experience as a caregiver. The caregivers are employees who are bonded, insured and covered by workers' compensation to ensure clients are fully protected.

“In an era where family members often live hundreds of miles away or just don't have as much time as needed, Home Helpers steps in and plays the role of a 'good neighbor,' ” said Mike Gardner of his new business that received its completed license from the state March 4 and opened for business last Monday.

The business' office is at 220 Cinbar Drive, Roseburg. To schedule a free consultation, call (541) 229-5263.