



Matthews HELP Center

FY 16/17 First Quarter

Quarterly

Helping
Ease Local
Poverty

VOLUNTEER

You can make a difference!



MHC has many opportunities available to donate your time as a volunteer. Visit our website for more information and a list of current opportunities for you to make a difference!

<http://www.matthewshelpcenter.org/volunteer.html>



Volunteer Spotlight

Our summer groups have been **AMAZING** as they helped to sort and organize over 100 boxes of Halloween pieces and accessories and as a result they made over 300 costumes which will bring in close to \$1500.00 towards helping our neighbors in crisis. One of the health benefits of volunteering at MHC is the ability to release stress and have loads of **FUN** by becoming a kid again. Just see for yourself!



Thank You!

Join the Fun! GET INVOLVED

Be An Ambassador

Share MHC through email, twitter, and Facebook with family, friends and colleagues

Volunteer

Don't wait. The time will never be just right. -Napoleon Hill

We need you now!

Join the MHC family on a regular basis, or for specific projects with family, friends or colleagues.

VOLUNTEER BENEFITS:

Physical and Mental Rewards

Optimism, joy and Stress reduction have been shown to strengthen the immune system and raise your mood and emotions

Saves Resources

Your service allows us to use our finances for those in crisis.

Learn

New skills, find hidden talents, experience camaraderie and team work with a common goal

Make a Difference

Every person counts!

Get your benefits by going to:

<http://www.matthewshelpcenter.org/volunteer.html>

or contacting

Sandra@matthewshelpcenter.org;
704-847-8383 ext 300

MISSION

Helping our neighbors and surrounding communities survive financial crisis by providing short-term assistance.

LIFE CHANGING RESULTS

YOUR HELP MADE A DIFFERENCE

2016 ANNUAL REPORT



Download our Annual Report to see how your generous donations have helped and continue to help members of your community!

http://matthewshelpcenter.org/Annual_Report_2016.pdf

DONATE NOW

<http://www.matthewshelpcenter.org/donate-online.html>

You Did It! Thank You Contributors!

It takes everyone to provide our community with food, shelter, clothing, transportation, and learning new budgeting skills and decision making.

The 1st Quarter brought:

- 15 new volunteers, 64 students, 10 different groups comprised of 270 individuals and a minimum of 100 weekly volunteers over the first 3 months for a grand total of 1,549 people volunteering!
- Nearly 100 golfers and volunteers to the 6th Annual Golf Tournament to raise funds for assistance
- Customers to the Backporch Treasures Thrift Shop making 14,438 sales transactions
- 27 MHC Sponsors, Churches and Local Businesses donating to help their community
- 15 volunteers on the Board of Directors who donated funds, time and professional expertise

You and all of these contributors served alongside Matthews Help Center over the past 3 months to make a difference in their neighbor's lives! Without YOU our neighbors in financial crisis go unserved.



The Leon Levine Foundation

DONATION MATCH CAMPAIGN

Now Through December 31, 2016



The Leon Levine Foundation has awarded **MATTHEWS HELP CENTER** a matching grant! The Foundation will match dollar for dollar up to \$30,000 in qualifying donations through December 31, 2016. Your contribution will help your neighbors, right here in your community!

Make a Gift. Double the Impact. Change a Life.

REAL PEOPLE, REAL STORIES



*Mariel, a single mother of three children was recently transferred to Charlotte by her employer. Within a few weeks of her arrival, her position was eliminated leaving her in a new city with no income and no familial support. It was during this time that Mariel first came to Matthews Help Center seeking assistance with her power bill. Within a short time Mariel was back to work with another company, but while in transition she needed assistance with rent. Mariel took a day off from her new job to seek assistance from another agency where she received a portion of the rent. This helped tremendously, but with the additional late fees and eviction costs, she needed more support. Mariel called MHC that afternoon on her way home from the agency and was able to be seen that day. After going over her budget, MHC knew she would be able to maintain housing if she could just get past her current crisis. MHC assisted with the remaining rent, a gas voucher to get to work, and a voucher to select clothing/household items for her children and home. Mariel is now continuing to make good financial choices and supporting her 3 children through her new employment.

*Name has been changed

YOUR LOCAL Economic Well-Being.

How we serve those in need together!

Fiscal year 2016/17 is off to a great start! During the first 3 months you served 865 clients impacting 3,255 individuals providing 1,720 services through MHC.

Your contributions of funding, time, service and product paid for:

- electric and gas in homes
- gas and repairs for transportation to work and job interviews
- public transportation to grocery stores and doctor offices
- childcare
- rental communities and mortgage companies
- food for the family table and weekend food for school children
- hygiene products for household and personal use
- clothing and shoes for school and work
- essential household items
- and counseling centered on hope and financial behaviors to prevent chronic financial dependency

You provided over \$194,000 in financial and in-kind contributions in the first quarter. Imagine what your community would be like without assistance to individuals and families in financial crisis. Thank you for making your community economically stronger and improving the lives of your neighbors!

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