



Davie County United Way Day of Caring is a Success!



September 11, 2004 marked the second annual United Way Day of Caring. On that day, fifteen building and repair projects were completed. Nineteen human service projects were completed such as visiting shut-ins; collecting items to assemble disaster care kits; and gathering items for care packages to be given to the Police and Fire Departments, EMS and Rescue Squads. Five gardening projects, four cleaning projects and four painting projects were all completed.

September 11, 2004 was a remarkable day when 214 volunteers from over 21 companies and organizations gathered to complete over 40 projects that aided our neighbors in need. All of this became reality through the Davie County United Way Day of Caring

and you can be proud that you were a part of it! Thank you!

“Davie County is such a wonderful place to live!” stated Tim Stewart, chair of the Day of Caring event. “And this was clearly evident in the outpouring of love through volunteerism that I’ve seen today.”

Companies and organizations who led the way, by providing more than one team, were Rotary with six teams, Mocksville Home Builders Association with three teams, Vulcan Materials with three teams, and Wal-Mart with three teams. The Cooleemee and Davie Civitan Clubs each had one team but that team completed three projects each throughout the week leading up to and on the Day of Caring. Other companies and organizations who participated in Day of Caring include:

Baker Furniture, Bank of the Carolinas, BB&T, Boy Scout Troop #732, Catholic Daughters of St. Francis of Assisi, CCB, Christian Business Men’s Committee, Clement Grove

Church, Creative Memories, County Manager’s Office, Davie County Schools, Jericho Church of Christ, Jr. Civitans, Master Gardeners with 4-H, Mocksville Civitans, Piedmont Natural Gas, VF Jeanswear and Westside Chrysler.

As with any special event, special thanks must be given to the sponsors of the event. The Mebane Foundation led the way as Presenting Sponsor followed closely by Duke Power who was a Caregiver Sponsor and the following businesses and organizations helped to support the 2004 United Way Day of Caring through a Helping Hand sponsorship:

Allyson Sawtelle, CPA, All-American Ford, Bank of the Carolinas, Christian Business Men’s Committee, CCB, Gantt Personnel, Howard Realty, Martin & Van Hoy, LLP, Mocksville Civitan Club, Mocksville Builders Supply, Sprint, Trim, UBS and Wal*Mart.

The support did not stop! BB&T, Davie County Health Department and Kaydon Custom Bearings chose to give at the Booster level and Caudell Lumber, Sarah Lee Knit Products and Seaford Lumber all gave gifts-in-kind. Food sponsors for breakfast and lunch on the Day of Caring include Bi-Lo of Mocksville, Coca-Cola, Columbian Vending, Food Lion # 932, Harris Teeter, Horn’s Express, Krispy Kreme Donuts, LeBleu, Little Debbie, Pepsi, Snapple and Tom’s Foods.

Day of Caring Committee

No successful special event happens without a driven and dedicated committee. Any volunteer who gave of his or her time on Saturday, September 11, 2004 should take a moment to thank the following individuals for their hard work:

Tim Stewart, Chair;

Vickie Blackwelder,
Vice-Chair and Logistics;

Robby Dilmore,

Dorothy Graham,

Regina Graham-Hauser,

Gaither Markland,

Michelle Speas

Harold Wilson

United Way Campaign UNDERWAY!

Recently, the United Way Day of Caring kicked-off the United Way Campaign in Davie County. This year the goal is to raise \$450,000 to help fund 20 non-profit agencies within Davie County while supporting three direct impact programs facilitated by the Davie County United Way (DCUW) office.

The United Way office is happy to report that over 10% of that goal has already been pledged through the pacesetter companies that ran campaigns prior to the kick-off. Nearly \$50,000 has been raised from individuals and companies such as the Davie Family YMCA, the Davie County Schools, Horn Oil, United Way Board Members and Wal-Mart. "We hope that this is just the beginning," stated Mary Beth Forst, DCUW Executive Director. "I'm excited to see a Campaign Cabinet that operates with such confidence. I can't help but feel that we will be successful." Campaign Cabinet members represent different categories of business in Davie County

and include Henry Horn, Chair; Robby Dilmore, Industry Co-Chair; Ken Dwiggins, Industry Co-Chair; Will Dwiggins, Finance Chair; Paul Mighion, Healthcare Chair; Barry Bass, Government Chair; Martha McQueen, Agency/Nonprofit Chair; Bob Price, Professional Chair; and Wendy Horne, Education Chair.

This year's ambassador for the United Way Campaign is Leesa Masten. Lisa and her family have survived a difficult journey over the past few months. Last November, her husband was diagnosed with cancer that required a bone marrow transplant this past March. Neither Lisa nor her husband could work during this time causing their financial situation to diminish severely. The Mastens benefited from both United Way Agencies and direct programming offered through the DCUW office when they received a wheelchair from Cancer Services, assistance with their water bill from Salvation Army and the security of not losing their home through DCUW's Mortgage

Assistance Program. "When a family goes from having a stable income and lifestyle to having nothing, it is very difficult," said Masten. "Organizations like the United Way help to make these times bearable for families. We are thankful for all that United Way did to help us through their many different avenues and agencies. So, if you wonder if it even matters, I'm here to tell you that the caring nature of United Way and their agencies matters to us!"



Member Agencies

American Red Cross
Appropriate Punishment Options
ARC of Davie County
Big Brothers Big Sisters Services
Bowman Gray Child Guidance
Boy Scouts of America
Cancer Services, Inc.
Consumer Credit Counseling Services
Children's Ctr. for the Physically Disabled
Davie County 4-H
Davie County Group Home
Davie Domestic Violence
& Rape Crisis Center
Davie Family YMCA
Emergency Relief Fund of Davie Co.
Family Services
Girl Scouts, Tarheel Triad Council
Hospice of Davie County
Partnership for a Drug Free NC
Retired & Sr. Volunteer Program (RSVP)
The Salvation Army

Community Care Fund

When you give to the *Community Care Fund*, you are not only supporting the United Way agencies who are making important differences in this community but you are also supporting Davie County United Way facilitated programs like Mortgage Assistance, Day of Caring and United Way Call 211 Services.

A Community Care Fund investment allows your dollar to have the greatest impact...in other words, "more BANG for your buck." Make the greatest difference, designate to the *Community Care Fund*.

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County United Way is to
unite the volunteer
strength of our community
to care for one another.**