

Community Organization Serve Opportunities

[Ada Jenkins Center](#) | Davidson | (704) 896-0471

Ada Jenkins Center exists to help people in our community create lasting solutions for health, education, and economic stability.

- Individual Volunteers
 - Review the Center's [current volunteer needs](#) which includes a brief volunteer job description as well as applicable volunteer times and age requirements for each opportunity.
 - [Complete an application and waiver](#). After we receive your application, you will receive an emailed invitation, within 3-5 days, to RSVP for one of our bi-monthly Volunteer Trainings. During Volunteer Training you will learn about the history of the Ada Jenkins Center, our client-partners and how volunteers support the Center's mission.
- Group Volunteers
 - We ask all group leaders to join us for a tour. After the tour you will be emailed a Group Profile form to complete and return. Once we have your Group Profile, we will work to match your group with a project that helps meet our most pressing needs.
- Donation Drives
 - If you would like to host a donation drive please review our [Greatest Needs List](#). Please note we do not have the resources to pick up donations. We kindly ask that you make arrangements to drop off your donations.

[Amy's Closet & Boutique](#) | Denver | Lincolnton | (704) 240-3688

Resale store supporting Amy's House, a safehouse for abused women & their children.

- Contact Shasta Steele, Store Manager, for information on volunteering

[Angels & Sparrows](#) | Huntersville | (704) 918-0122

We start with a nourishing meal served with dignity and foster community and a path to hope for those facing hunger in their daily lives through our programs, celebrations and experiences – transforming daily interactions into personal connections and a sense of belonging.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - Volunteers are welcome from every walk of life based on their ability and willingness to treat those being served with dignity and respect, as well as their commitment to helping stamp out hunger in our community! We do ask that all of our volunteers be 18 years of age and older.
 - One Saturday a month, we host a youth day where children between 11 and 18 years of age can tackle projects at the kitchen, including deep cleaning, weeding, lawn care. [Follow us on Facebook](#) to see updates on dates and times available and to sign up.
- [Donations](#)
 - We welcome monetary donations as well as food and other items needed on a daily basis from individuals, churches, businesses, grocery stores, local farms, farmers' markets and home improvement stores.

[Beds for Kids](#) | Charlotte | (980) 422-1192

Provides beds and essential furniture to children and families in need.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - Beds for Kids welcomes individuals and groups to serve along with our staff on Saturday mornings at the warehouse from 9am to 12pm.
 - Individuals and groups welcome (must be at least 15 years old)
 - Jobs include: cleaning furniture, moving & staging furniture, organizing & packing bed linens
 - [Contact us](#) to reserve a spot for you and/or your group.
 - Beds for Kids often times needs those with an eye for detail and skill on the computer to assist with administrative tasks.
 - [Contact us](#) if interested in office administration volunteer opportunities.
 - Beds for Kids invites those with strong backs to assist in furniture pick-ups and deliveries. These volunteers must be prepared to do heavy lifting!
 - [Contact us](#) if interested in truck assistance volunteer opportunities.
- [Donations](#)
 - All donated beds and furniture items must be in new or gently used condition. [Click here](#) for a comprehensive list of items that Beds for Kids accepts.
 - Beds for Kids picks up from most of the Charlotte and Lake Norman areas. [Contact us](#) to schedule a pickup of your gently used furniture.
 - If you have the means to transport the items or if you find that our pick up times don't fit your schedule, we welcome you to come drop them off during office hours.
 - Often times Beds for Kids will deliver beds to a family who will eagerly receive them, but will still be lacking the linens and pillows needed to properly outfit the bed.
 - Bed Kit Donations (must be new twin, full, or queen size): 1 Flat Sheet; 1 Fitted Sheet; 1 Pillow & Pillow Case; 1 Blanket
 - Both individual items and full kits are accepted

[Charlotte Family Housing](#) | Charlotte | (704) 312-0070

Our mission is to empower working families experiencing homelessness to achieve life-long self-sufficiency through shelter, housing, supportive services, and advocacy.

- [Individual volunteer opportunities](#)
- [Group volunteer opportunities](#)
 - There are multiple ways to volunteer with Charlotte Family Housing (CFH). Many volunteers appreciate the opportunity to participate in projects that allow them to see an immediate result. Some suggested opportunities are listed online.
- Contact Josiah Daniels at JDaniels@charlottefamilyhousing.org or call (704) 312-0070
- ALL volunteers must complete a background check through our preferred service provider, Sterling Volunteers. There will be no exceptions to this policy. For more information on the background checks we require, please visit <https://www.sterlingvolunteers.com/>.

[Charlotte Rescue Mission](#) | Charlotte | | (704) 333-4673

Dove's Nest - A Christian residential treatment program for women recovering from substance abuse.

Rebound - Christian residential treatment program for men with substance abuse issues & a homeless shelter program.

- [Volunteers](#)
 - Volunteers at Charlotte Rescue Mission help with essential tasks, but more importantly, they send a message to our residents that the community cares about them.
 - [Dove's Nest Volunteer Opportunities](#)
 - [Rebound Volunteer Opportunities](#)
 - For additional information (including reserving an opportunity for your group), please contact Christy.Baker@charlotterescuemission.org.
 - Donations
 - [Click here](#) to see a list of needs for both Dove's Nest and Rebound
 - Dove's Nest Food donations: Contact Sheri Lucas at 704-333-4673 ext. 120 or Sheri.Lucas@charlotterescuemission.org
 - Rebound Food donations: Contact Ohenrico Blake at 704-333-4673 ext. 221 or Ohenrico.Blake@charlotterescuemission.org
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[Community Pregnancy Center of Lake Norman](#)

Huntersville | (704) 727-0535 | Mooresville | (704) 664-4673

Serves those touched by possible crisis pregnancy, including the woman and her unborn child.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - Volunteers must complete a [volunteer application](#) and return in to 212 Caldwell Ave, Mooresville, NC 28115 or email to contactus@lakenormancpc.org
 - Volunteer opportunities include: Client Services: Mentor, Receptionist, and Donations Helper; Administrative Services: Events Assistant, Mailing Assistant, and Maintenance; and Other Opportunities: Church Liaison, Booth Display Assistant, Prayer Partner, Community Outreach Assistant, and Group Projects
 - If you have any questions, please contact Traci Lester our Volunteer Coordinator at (704) 664-4673 ext. 103 or email contactus@lakenormancpc.org.
- [Donations](#)
 - Material donations are used in our Boutique. Clients shop in the Boutique using Boutique Bucks earned from attending Bible Study and Life-skills classes.
 - Donations of gently used clothing (up to size 24 months), and all baby items with the exception of used car seats/booster seats, used cribs, used breast pumps, and bumper pads are accepted
 - Greatest Needs: Bibs/Socks; Baby Wash and Shampoo; Good Start Formula; Baby Wipes; Bottles/Nipples; Boy or Girl Outfits (Sizes newborn to 9 mos.); Boy or Girl Onesies (Sizes newborn to 18 mos.); Diapers (sizes 3 & 4); Diaper Rash Ointment; Toiletries for moms and babies; Pacifiers; Toys/Books (small); and Wash Cloths/Hooded Towels

[Crisis Assistance Ministry](#) | Charlotte | (704) 371-3001

The mission of Crisis Assistance Ministry is to provide assistance and advocacy for people in financial crisis, helping them move toward self-sufficiency.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - Individuals perform a variety of tasks to support neighbors during a financial crisis. Opportunities include serving customers in the Free Store, helping with clerical projects in our offices, helping at the Furniture Bank, working behind the scenes to inspect and prepare donations in the Free Store Warehouse, and helping families get connected to benefits like food assistance.
 - Groups of volunteers conduct clothing and furniture drives, help inspect and sort donations, assist in loading and unloading furniture, purchase and build dressers, and provide meals or snacks to customers waiting in our lobby.
 - Family volunteerism is welcome here. Many roles allow children to serve with an accompanying adult.
- [Clothing & Household Goods Donations](#)
 - Donations of clothing and household goods ensure that families in need can shop for essentials free-of-charge.
 - We accept new and gently used clothing for men, women and children, as well as household goods such as blankets, kitchenware and personal care products at our donation drive-thru. Please be mindful of providing clothing that is clean and wearable.
- [Furniture, Mattresses, & Appliances Donations](#)
 - Donations of furniture, mattresses, and appliances are distributed to families in need who have a referral from a partner organization in Mecklenburg County. All items are provided free-of-charge.
 - Furniture, mattresses, and appliances in good working condition are gladly accepted at the Furniture Bank location only. (No furniture can be accepted at the Spratt St donation drive-thru.) Limited pickup is available for large furniture items by calling 704-371-3001 ext. 207 or [emailing the Furniture Bank](#). Scheduling can take up to two weeks depending on the season, demand, and availability of drivers.
 - Please ensure all donations are clean, undamaged, and free of pet hair. To ensure customer dignity, we reserve the right to refuse donations that do not meet these standards.

[Mooreville Christian Mission](#) | Mooreville | (704) 664-2357

Serving needs of families facing crisis or challenging times by providing financial assistance, clothing, food, job training, life skill classes, and more.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - The Mission provides volunteer opportunities for individuals, families and groups. No matter what your time, talent or size, we have a job suitable for you. We invite you to consider many of the tasks and welcome discussing what the best fit might be for you.

[Mooreville Soup Kitchen](#) | Mooreville | (704) 660-9010

Serving lunch daily to the hungry and needy in the Mooreville area.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - [Group Volunteering](#)
 - We welcome groups of volunteers to help out at the soup kitchen. Groups of 10 are generally what we can accommodate but if you find you have more than 10 we can always split your group into two different shifts for the day of interest.
 - [Individual Adult Volunteering](#)
 - [Individual Child Volunteering](#)
 - [Build a Blessing Bag](#)
 - MSK has many guests that need toiletry items and they are very expensive items to purchase. This is a perfect way for your family, office, or group to show your love to the community. There are three simple steps:
 - Collect all items required to create the Blessings Bags in whatever quantity you would like to donate. Any quantity is appreciated, and we are able to distribute 150 bags weekly.
 - Create the Blessing Bags according to the list provided. Please don't deviate from the exact items and sizes.
 - Drop off the bags at MSK any Monday through Friday from 8am through 1pm.
 - [Donations – Immediate Needs](#)
 - Our needs list is frequently updated so check back for suggestions of items to donate.
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[Neighborhood C.A.R.E Center](#) | Cornelius | (704) 255-5500

Meeting people where they are and helping them become what God created them to be.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - Have a heart to serve our community? The Neighborhood C.A.R.E. Center has several volunteer opportunities each month for you to get involved. General volunteer opportunities do not require you to be a registered volunteer but opportunities that say “**BADGE Required**” indicate that before you can serve in this capacity you must complete our Volunteer Orientation Process which starts with attending Volunteer Orientation.
 - [Volunteer Opportunities](#)
 - [Programs](#) Include: Gear Up Bike Shop; Learning Zone; iCARE Mentors; Spanish Partners; School Break Activities; English as a Second Language; Workshops; Little Tree of Knowledge; and Música Guitar Classes

[Our Town's Habitat for Humanity](#) | Cornelius | (704) 896-8957

Providing affordable housing in Cornelius, Davidson, Huntersville, and Mooresville

- [Volunteer](#)
 - [Individuals](#)
 - Since our founding in 1988, thousands of individual volunteers have been fundamental to Our Towns Habitat's impact in the community. We welcome everyone, with or without experience, to volunteer in construction, ReStores and other areas.
 - [Groups](#)
 - You don't need prior construction experience— just a willingness to learn! We provide the necessary materials and supervision. Our build sites can generally use anywhere from 5 to 12 volunteers per project; however, we can accommodate more for certain build tasks.
 - To request a team build day, email Volunteer Program Manager Cathy Petriano or call 704-896-8957, ext. 108. Build days are Tuesday–Thursday and Saturday of each week; 7:45am to 1:00pm
 - [Donations](#)
 - Ways to Give: Land; Construction Items; Building Materials; Subcontractor Services; Other Helpful Donations; Other Non-construction Related Items
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[Samaritans Feet](#) | Charlotte | (980) 939-8150 & (866) 833-7463

Takes the message of hope to children around the world and equipping their feet with shoes.

- [Volunteer](#)
 - [Warehouse volunteers](#)
 - Volunteers are always needed to process shoes in the warehouse. Without the dedication of the volunteers, we would never be able to work towards our mission of creating a world with zero shoeless children. Your time and support will change the life of a child and provide them with the gift of new shoes and the message of hope.
 - We ask that all volunteers plan to bring a donation of \$20 per volunteer or a new pair of children's athletic shoes and pair of socks as part of your volunteer experience in our warehouse.
 - Most groups, families, or individuals are scheduled for either a two- or three-hour time frame.
 - Children under the age of 8 are not permitted in the warehouse. Children ages 8-15 may volunteer with a parent or chaperone
- [Host a Shoe Drive](#)
 - Step 1: Contact Us
 - Step 2: Get Your Supplies
 - Step 3: Start Collecting
 - Step 4: Ship Your Bags

[The Hope House Foundation](#) | Huntersville | (704) 992-1902

Nurtures the well-being, independence and faith of women and children in the Lake Norman area by providing shelter, services, and support.

- [Get Involved](#)
 - Individual Volunteers:
 - Hope House is run 24/7 by a dynamic team of volunteers who partner with a House Manager. Volunteers are responsible women, age 18 or older, who manage the house during their desired shifts(s).
 - All prospective new Volunteers are required to attend a New Volunteer Orientation Hope House invites you to attend an Orientation session to learn about the exciting ways you and your organization can help support the mission of helping woman and children experiencing situational homelessness in the Lake Norman area
 - Group Serve Projects:
 - Groups that would like to volunteer on-site in a variety of projects can participate in Service Saturdays by emailing the Administrative Assistant, Jen, jgrenier@hopehousefoundation.org.
 - Donations:
 - The Hope House Foundation welcomes the opportunity for the community to assist us with organizing a donation drive. If considering a donation drive, please keep in mind that Hope House does not have the resources to pick up items, but would welcome the delivery of donations. Donation drop offs should be coordinated with jperkins@hopehousefoundation.org