

MAKING A DIFFERENCE  
IN CHARLOTTE  
ONE CAUSE  
AT A TIME



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## Volunteers Making a Difference at Charlotte Rescue Mission

Community Matters volunteering has been going strong this summer, demonstrating yet again that we're "making a difference" through our partnership with Charlotte Rescue Mission (CRM).

"The financial support we receive from Community Matters enables us to do things on our campuses and for our residents that we wouldn't normally be able to do," explained CRM Volunteer Coordinator Christy Baker. "Additionally, the consistency and genuine caring of Community Matters volunteers is having a significant impact on our residents, who get excited each time they know you are coming! This dramatically improves self-esteem and feelings of self-worth in people, many of whom have never had anyone consistently show up in their lives. One resident shared recently that he 'simply wasn't used to people being this nice to me.'"

We want to keep the momentum going. Sign up as a volunteer and bring your colleagues, work teams, family, friends...anyone who wants to lend a hand. The impact it will have on YOU will be nothing short of amazing! To sign up, visit the volunteer page on the Community Matters website at <http://www.communitymatterscharlotte.org/volunteer.html>. If you have any questions, contact Christy at [christy.baker@charlotterescuemission.org](mailto:christy.baker@charlotterescuemission.org). Please be sure to identify yourself with the Community Matters group in the online system so that we can capture your volunteer hours. And send us your photos so we can feature you in a future newsletter!

Some of the groups who have recently volunteered are pictured at the end of this newsletter.

## 'Clean Up & Cook Out' Initiative Refurbishes CRM Rec Area, Serves Up Burgers & Hot Dogs for Residents

Our 'Clean Up & Cook Out' event at Charlotte Rescue Mission's Rebound campus was a resounding success. Thanks to everyone who came out to lend a hand. We dodged some rain during the afternoon but, at the end of the day, CRM had a refurbished outdoor recreation area -- including a new volleyball court -- and everyone enjoyed hamburgers and hot dogs for dinner (although the grilling was moved inside). Companies represented included AIG, AmWINS, Arrowpoint Capital, Chubb, ECM, Hull & Company, Lockton, Marsh, Peachtree, Sompco, Travelers and Zenith. Great job everyone.



## **Mark Your Calendars Now: Our Annual Celebration Dinner is Scheduled for Monday, Nov. 6, at The Club at Longview**

The event promises to be a great time as we celebrate the first year of our partnership with Charlotte Rescue Mission and look to the future. Details will be forthcoming, but we want to ensure that everyone adds the dinner to their calendars now!

## **Welcome to our Newest Community Matters Member: Sentinel Risk Advisers**

We're pleased to have Sentinel Risk Advisers on board as our new member. The Raleigh-based risk management and insurance brokerage firm just opened an office in Charlotte and is looking forward to getting involved with Community Matters. Darrin Warnock, the Charlotte managing partner, and Connie Burgess, account manager, will serve as leader and coordinator representatives, respectively. If you're currently not a Community Matters member and would like to join -- or know a company that might be interested -- contact Tom Lott at [tom.lott@amwins.com](mailto:tom.lott@amwins.com) or Angela Matherly at [acmatherly@gmail.com](mailto:acmatherly@gmail.com).

## **Recent Volunteers at Charlotte Rescue Mission**

As promised in our first article, here are three of the groups that have recently volunteered at one of CRM's campuses.



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