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IN CHARLOTTE  
ONE CAUSE  
AT A TIME



December 10, 2015

## **Save the Date: Fifth Annual Dodgeball Tournament Scheduled for April 29 Registration Begins March 14**

Need we say more? The Charlotte insurance industry's premier sporting event will be back for its fifth year on April 29. So mark your calendars now! Registration will begin on Monday, March 14, and run through Friday, April 22. Other tournament details will be communicated in early 2016. Start getting those dodgeball teams together!

### **Comforter Drive To Warm Families Up for the Winter**

Community Matters recently held a comforter drive to benefit our partner Charlotte Family Housing. The comforters will be donated to families moving off the street and into one of the organization's three homeless shelters around the city. With the cold weather setting in, the comforters couldn't come at a better time.

CFH uses about 300 comforters each year to support the families they serve. So we're pleased to have donated 65 comforters to the agency as well as new bed linens and pillows. AmWINS' Andrea Neill said, "At our company, our goal was to donate 10 comforters, but I'm proud to say we surpassed that goal for a total of 25. That means 25 individuals will be provided a new, warm and trendy comforter in their welcome basket."

Thanks to AmWINS, AIG, Wells Fargo Insurance Services and Great American for leading this effort.



Some of the comforters donated to Charlotte Family Housing as part of our Comforter Drive.

## **Team Needed for Holiday Breakfast at Crisis Assistance Ministry Dec. 17**

Crisis Assistance Ministry is holding a special holiday breakfast for its staff on Thursday, Dec. 17. The agency would also like to provide its customers in the lobby with a special breakfast that day. If your company or workteam is interested, please contact Karla Emery, our new volunteer coordinator, by 5 p.m. Friday, Dec. 11, at [kemery@crisisassistance.org](mailto:kemery@crisisassistance.org).

## Join Charlotte's WEB in Donating Gift-Wrapping Materials to the Crisis Assistance Ministry Free Store

Way to go Charlotte's WEB. This insurance women's empowerment group comprising Charlotte-area professionals collected and donated holiday wrapping items to the Crisis Assistance Ministry (CAM) Free Store. That resulted in an excited call from Karla Emery, our new liaison with CAM, saying that they had never received such a donation.

"All the gift wrap went to families shopping in our Free Store by the end of the day on Wednesday," Karla noted. "Thank you so much for providing some great holiday spirit to our families in need!"

If your company is looking for a way to contribute to one of our partners this holiday season, think about this idea for the Free Store.

Charlotte's WEB includes representatives from AIG, AON, Ascension, City of Charlotte, Compass Group, CRC Insurance Services, Hendrick Automotive, Lockton, Marsh, McNeary, SAS Institute, Senn Dunn, Snyder's-Lance, Wells Fargo and Willis.



Collecting holiday wrapping materials for Charlotte's WEB were, from left, AIG's Karen Wilder, Vonni Davis and Kayla Churchey.

## **An AIG Dollhouse for Christmas!**

Thanks to Melody Poetzsch of AIG who donated this dollhouse to Charlotte Family Housing's Elizabeth House Shelter!



**And Happy Holidays To Everyone In Community Matters!**