



October 24, 2014

**Attendee List Grows for Community Matters One-Year Anniversary Celebration Dinner – Monday, November 5th, at the Club at Longview**

Community Matters will hold a special celebration dinner at The Club at Longview, 8801 Longview Club Drive, Weddington, NC, on November 5. Tickets are \$250 per person. It will be a great event to which to invite spouses, customers, vendors and employees -- so they can learn more about how our local insurance industry is making a difference in Charlotte.

**Signed up to attend to date** are AmWINS Group, Aon, Arrowpoint Capital, BB&T Insurance Services, Burns White LLC, Chartis, City of Charlotte, Gould & Lamb, Great American Professional Risk Insurance Services, Independent Insurance Agents of Charlotte, Interstate Restoration, Lockton Companies, Marsh, myMatrixx, PMA Companies, SJA Agency, Snyder's-Lance, Swimmer Insurance, Travelers, Wells Fargo Insurance Services, Willis, Wright Insurance Group, and Zenith Insurance Company.

At the dinner, we'll announce our fundraising total for the year, present a check to United Family Services and celebrate organizations that have really made an impact with Community Matters this year. Then we'll look ahead to our plans for 2013. And we hope to auction off some great prizes as well.

To attend, simply RSVP by October 26th with number attending to [info@communitymatterscharlotte.org](mailto:info@communitymatterscharlotte.org). You can pay via Paypal at [www.communitymatterscharlotte.org/donate.html](http://www.communitymatterscharlotte.org/donate.html) or send a check to Community Matters, 3600 Arco Corporate Drive, Charlotte, NC 28273, ATTN: Gwyn Fuller.

**Lockton, Arrowpoint Capital, Chubb Sponsor Company Initiatives for New Domestic Violence Shelter**

Three Community Matters companies are sponsoring company initiatives in support of the new Clyde and Ethel Dickson Domestic Violence Shelter, scheduled to open in mid-December. Lockton Companies and Arrowpoint Capital's Finance Team are each sponsoring a room at the new shelter. This effort involves raising money to furnish the room and then purchasing the necessary accessories to make it complete. Both groups will then send a team to the shelter to assemble the furniture and decorate the rooms in mid-December.

Chubb is holding a six-week supplies drive for the new shelter between now and Thanksgiving. The company's Charlotte branch has sent out a message to its partner agencies in North and South Carolina to encourage them to join the drive, and hopes to deliver the collected supplies immediately prior to the Shelter's opening.

For information on how you can support the new shelter, visit the UFS website at <http://www.unitedfamilyservices.org>.

**Chartis Holds Stuffed Animal Drive for UFS Tree House Project and Holiday Store**

Chartis is holding a Stuffed Animal Drive to collect "cuddly companions" for two UFS projects -- the Tree House and the Holiday Store. The Tree House (aka the UFS Children's Advocacy Center in Monroe) offers services and counseling to child abuse victims and their families. The Holiday Store provides a place for UFS clients and their families to "shop" for one another for the

holidays. All of the items in the store are free to UFS clients and their children. Chartis has collected nearly 200 animals to date and hopes to have 300 by November 30th.

**[To learn more about the UFS Holiday Store](#)** and how you can help, see the attached flier.



Holiday Store 2012 Flyer.pdf

### **Amerisure Donates to Community Matters**

Thanks to Amerisure Companies, which presented a \$2,000 check to Community Matters at a recent function for Wells Fargo Insurance Services. Amerisure also matched a Wells Fargo employee contribution of \$300, to bring the morning total to \$2,600. Wells Fargo Senior Vice President Mike Murray said the Wells team was elated and delighted by Amerisure's support and generosity to Community Matters.

This is Amerisure's 100th year in business so it's a great way for the company to celebrate its corporate birthday. Amerisure has also become the newest Community Matters member company.



### **Highlight Your Community Outreach**

Remember, our goal is to highlight all the charitable efforts of our Community Matters companies -- not just those related to this year's fundraising campaign for United Family Services. So please share your stories and pictures so we can showcase them on the Community Matters website and in our newsletter.



### **AmWINS, Fireman's Fund Make Grant**

On October 17th, AmWINS Group and Fireman's Fund Insurance Company partnered on a \$12,461 grant to the Mint Hill Volunteer Fire Department. The grant funded the purchase of two new thermal imaging cameras, which will help firefighters with life-saving operations. Mint Hill is a growing community and the call volume for the department is expected to reach approximately 3,200 calls this year. Fireman's Fund and AmWINS are both proud members of Community Matters.

### **Arrowpoint Capital Sponsors Hopebuilders**

Arrowpoint sponsored the Annual Hopebuilders 5K Run/Walk, a fundraising event for Charlotte's Levine Children's Hospital, for the fifth consecutive year. Proceeds from the race allow the hospital to expand existing programs, create new programs, and attract highly skilled, specialized physicians and healthcare professionals to the Charlotte region. Arrowpoint also entered a team of 18 employees and friends/family members in the race.



### **Domestic Violence Executive Summit**

Representatives of Community Matters companies are invited to join UFS on November 2nd for a breakfast seminar at the Foundation for the Carolinas. The seminar is about enhancing companies' response to domestic violence -- supporting victims and strengthening employee safety and productivity. Click here to see [WSOCTV coverage](#) about the event or to [register](#).



### **UFS Jingle Bell Bash**

Community Matters partners can kick off the holidays on Saturday, December 1, by attending this year's Jingle Bell Bash at Wells Fargo Atrium from 7:30 – 11:00 pm. This year's event includes an open bar, dinner, live entertainment from Soul Play and complimentary valet parking for all.

Tickets are \$65.00 or \$115.00 for two. VIP tickets (\$100.00 or \$150.00 for two), include access to our Cheese & Champagne bar, a parting gift, and name recognition in our program. Proceeds benefit United Family Services and The Shelter for Battered Women. Businesses are invited to take advantage of our special rate of a table for 8 guests at \$460.00.

What a great way to celebrate the holiday season with your work team.

For more information please visit [www.unitedfamilyservices.org](http://www.unitedfamilyservices.org)