



The NFCC e-Express



"Where North Fulton Comes Together to Help Each Other"

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Would you like to be a NFCC Volunteer?

Contact:
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Thrift Shop Hours
 M,W-Sat. 10:00-5:00
 Tues. 10-7:30


Volunteers and Bargain Hunters Welcome!



A Mother Lost

NFCC is saddened by the untimely death of Minka Grogan, who lived in Roswell and was a victim of domestic violence leaving four children including two minor boys. NFCC is accepting donations on behalf of the family and will use all gifts exclusively for the benefit of the children. Donations are tax deductible.

Food Pantry Needs



Tuna & canned meat
 Peanut Butter
 White Rice
 Dry Beans

Diapers - all sizes
 Baby Wipes
 Baby food & formula

NFCC on TV



NFCC was recently highlighted by Tracey Hutchins on CBS Atlanta Morning Show a segment called "Good Deeds: Charity Helps Families Stay Afloat" on the. Here is the link to view the 3-minute news clip about NFCC and the families we help:

[Click to See Clip](#)

NFCC Specials

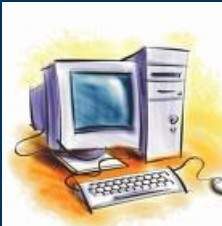
Listed on Craig's List
 Carousel Horse \$1,999
 42" Laminator with supplies \$1,500

Dear NFCC Caseworker

I simply want to say thanks to you and the staff at NFCC for allowing me to remain in my apartment. I simply don't know what I would have done without you. I'm not quite out of the woods yet, however, this thank you note is long overdue. God Bless

Sincerely
Audrey

Wanted



2-4 Computers (Pentium 2 or better) for the waiting room for client use to job search, benefits screening, resume writing and checking e-mail.

What a beautiful sight. 175 volunteers, staff and Board celebrating our service together at the Annual Volunteer Luncheon. More than one volunteer told me that they love their work at NFCC but did not realize how many people were involved. It's easy to focus only on our niche and not see how big NFCC really is. All together in one room is impressive.



In this issue you will hear from a volunteer and a client, meet Board officers, find out how NFCC is getting spruced up, and learn about the Stamp Out Hunger food drive.

The needs are greater than ever. Your donations and volunteer efforts continue to make it possible for us to help hundreds of local families in need.

Thanks for letting NFCC into your busy day.

Barbara S. Duffy
 Executive Director

Stamp Out Hunger Annual Food Drive: Saturday, May 9, 2009



What better way to celebrate Mother's Day weekend than to help make sure all mothers have enough food for their family. Saturday, May 9 is the 17th annual National Association of Letter Carrier's Stamp Out Hunger food drive and our nation's largest single day food collection.

It's easy to participate. Just leave a bag of non-perishable food at your mailbox. Your Letter Carrier will pick it up. NFCC volunteers will meet the mail trucks as they return to the North Fulton Post Offices, then sort, pack and transport the food to NFCC.

The food collected will help ensure food staples are available in the coming summer months when family food budgets increase with children home from school. For information contact Karen Rupp at krupp@nfcchelp.org



Pictured is Food Pantry volunteer Charlene Bennett holding a yard sign she will place in her yard to remind neighbors about the food drive.

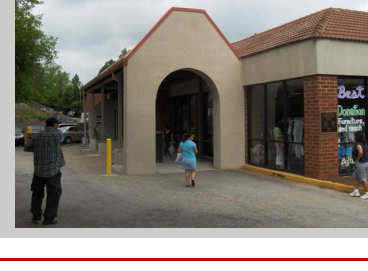
NFCC Officers

At the Annual meeting in April, the Board of Directors elected the following officers to serve for another year:
President Mario Lizaso;
Vice President John Schiavone;
Treasurer Guy Kriske and Secretary Holmes Hawkins.



President Lizaso said, "Donors, volunteers, the staff and the board of NFCC work very hard at meeting the challenges these times have brought. Many depend on us to help them get back on their feet. We have, we are and we will do it." Pictured are VP John Schiavone, President Mario Lizaso and Treasurer Guy Kriske.

Construction



The construction of our office entrance canopy addition is complete. It provides a more visible entrance to the office and a covered area for families to wait in bad weather. We thank Fulton County and a CBDG federal grant, our project managers at Pieper O'Brien Herr and our contractor Reliant Construction for making this renovation possible.

NFCC Make-Over:

A project group of Leadership North Fulton is finishing up a "make-over" of our waiting room with new paint, new carpet, signage, a children's corner and a beautiful mural on one wall. Along with the new chairs that donors purchased, the waiting room is being transformed into a bright, cheery and much more welcoming place. Pictured project group Rob Metcalf, Andrea Cooper Gatewood, Stephanie Dressler and Tim Roche, not pictured Jennifer Andrews.



As part of the Leadership North Fulton project to spruce up NFCC, new directional signs were designed, donated and installed outside. The signs direct traffic around the back of the building to drop off Thrift Shop items or food. Traffic will now be one way around the building. Notice also the nice big signs on the building at the Thrift Shop donation door and Food Pantry donation door.

Stop by and see our new look.

Volunteers make all the Difference



NFCC held our Annual Volunteer Luncheon at Roswell Presbyterian Church April 23 and 150 volunteers attended. It was a celebration of our wonderful volunteers and the many, many jobs that they do - Pantry volunteers, reception volunteers, Thrift Shop volunteers, holiday volunteers, office & data entry volunteers, bread and restaurant pick-up volunteers. Our Board members put on aprons and served the volunteers barbeque. (In photo Board Member Mike Long is serving Volunteer Shirley Weiner). Country Club of the South Charity Guild volunteers presented a check for \$40,000 and reminded us all that it takes volunteers on-site as well as off-site to make NFCC work. Volunteers attended who have worked a few months and others who are approaching 40 years of volunteering. We thank all our volunteers including those who were unable to join us that day!

Thanks from a Volunteer

While I have only been a volunteer for the past two Tuesdays (I pick up from Target and stay to help), it has opened my heart so much to be able to help, albeit in a small way. Thank you for recognizing the fact that you give me joy!



I know there is much sadness. It does not seem fair for many. I really want to bring joy to someone who needs it, and I know many need food. Yesterday was my first day placing the bags of food into the hands of those who need it - and I was so happy that the community provides and I could represent the whole community by smiling. "We are here for you!" was my thought.

Thank you so much, Kelly Johnson



Swing Into Action at the North Fulton Community Charities 18-hole golf tournament to be held Monday, July 27, 2009 at the **Country Club of the South**. All proceeds support NFCC's **Emergency Assistance Fund**.

Participation in the event is \$150.00 per player, and includes breakfast, lunch, raffles, prizes, and a round of golf at one of the "Top 20 Best Courses in Georgia" by Golf Digest.

New this year is a Faith Based Challenge where faith-based affiliates can sponsor a team that will defend their crown next year.

Current sponsors: **Hole-In-One Sponsors** King & Spalding, North Fulton Regional Hospital and Northside Hospital; **Media sponsor** Appen Newspapers, publishers of Northside Woman, and **Birdie Sponsor** Georgia Power. Chick-fil-A Roswell Town Center is our **Breakfast Sponsor** and Arby's is our **Lunch Sponsor**.

For information on corporate and individual sponsorships, the Faith Based Challenge, or participating in the event, please contact Vonda Malbrough at 770.640.0399 x215 or vmalbrough@nfcchelp.org

Our Mission

North Fulton Community Charities' mission is to prevent homelessness in North Fulton by supporting families in their home during short-term emergencies. By pooling the resources of local religious, business, and civic groups and individuals, NFCC assists families with rent, utilities, transportation, food, clothing, medicine, and other basic needs. NFCC also coordinates special assistance to families during the holidays and matches volunteers with projects.

For more information on North Fulton Community Charities please contact:

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