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Annual Report

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OUR MISSION

"Helping those in crisis by collaborating with the community to offer programs and services that transform lives through the love of Christ."

Our Stewardship Policy

Our responsibility is to be good stewards of the resources donated to NCM. To achieve that goal, we have policies and procedures in place to allow for smooth operation, fair distribution of limited resources, and the prevention of client fraud and abuse.

Meet the Norcross Cooperative Ministry

The Norcross Cooperative Ministry (NCM) is a faith-based, non-profit, ecumenical ministry dedicated to providing emergency assistance to families in Norcross and surrounding areas of Gwinnett County.

NCM is supported by local member and supporting churches, as well as numerous businesses, civic and social organizations, foundations and individuals from our generous community.

For over twenty five years, NCM has been serving the local community by providing food, clothing and limited financial assistance to families in crisis.

We continue to strive to meet the growing needs of the families we serve and the community we love. We invite you to join us in *Caring for the Community by Restoring Hope!*

NCM Staff



From Left to Right: Leslie Buchanan, Shirley Cabe, Margaret Parton, Ellen Queen, Jim Zumpano, Diane Lewis, Donna Galucki, Nicole Cornish, Kyra Slack and Rod Lewis.

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A Word from NCM Leadership



Shirley Cabe, Executive Director

"And they asked Him, Lord when did we ever see you hungry and feed you, or naked and clothe you or a stranger and show you hospitality? When did we ever see you sick or in prison and visit you? And Jesus said to them, "Whenever you did it to one of the least of these my brothers and sisters, you were doing it to me" Matthew 25: 37 - 40. This scripture from Matthew reflects the opportunity we have every day here at NCM to serve others. There are not enough words to express my gratitude to all of you, our volunteers and donors, who support the mission of NCM to help those in crisis. Thanks to your generous donations of food, clothing, financial support, volunteer time, prayers and encouragement, over 34,000 people were served in 2014.

I would also like to thank the City of Norcross for allowing the addition of annex buildings on our property. With this additional space we expanded our job ministry programs and our children's ministry and life skills classes last year. This year we are looking to grow these programs even more. I am so blessed each day as I experience what God is doing here at NCM and look forward to what the future will bring.

Thank you again for all you do to support the programs of Norcross Cooperative Ministry. Working together we can make a difference in this community, one family at a time.

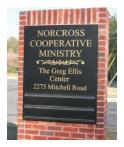
Shirley Cabe



John Byerley, NCM Board President

One of my favorite books in the Bible is Nehemiah. It's a story of rebuilding complete with opposition, success and failures. The striking thing to me is the attention paid to all the different people involved and the politics around dealing with such a diverse cast. Particular attention is paid to groups that worked to rebuild the walls of Jerusalem, even naming them and recording which section of the wall they were assigned to. The story continues with problems and challenges from both internal and external sources. The work continues and finally the day comes when the wall is complete and the Law is read and the people are charged to live according to God's favor. For 25 years the Co-op has been building to this point in time. 2014 was a year of great challenge but also a year of provision. For 2015 that provision is resulting in new programs, new ministries, new staff, new volunteers and new ways to serve. For all of us at Norcross Co-op, we invite you to join with us. I love Nehemiah's last prayer in the final verse of the text, "Remember me with favor, O my God." I do believe He has done that at NCM.

John Byerley



2014 NCM Executive Board

Vice President— Jessie Joyner

Secretary—Donna Galucki

Co-Treasurers—Ron Sherwood & Myrna Campbell-Kelly

Go to our website at www.norcrossco-op.org or facebook page www.facebook.com/norcrosscm for more information on NCM!

Christmas 2014



For the last five years, Tammi and Traci Consolini led the Adopt-A-Family program for Johns Creek United Methodist Church. JCUMC's program provided Christmas for 200 NCM families. When David and Patti Henderson decided to step down as Christmas Coordinators for NCM, Tammi and Traci volunteered to take on the task. They would coordinate toy collections, gift packing and distribution to ensure that over **800** families experience the joy of Christmas and feel the love of Christ through others.

With the growth of the NCM's many programs, space at the Co-Op is limited. The strategic goal for 2014 was to find space off-site for toy collection, gift selection, packing and distribution. This would allow the Christmas program to flourish and allow day-to-day operations of the Co-Op to continue uninterrupted. The support and resources offered during 2014 were humbling. Requests were made and prayers were answered.

As the Christmas program served 830 families with approximately 2700 children; member congregations, corporate and community donors joined hand in hand to share the joy. Eleven member churches, over 350 volunteers and countless number of corporate and community donors contributed to the program. There are even higher hopes for 2015. Stay tuned and Share the JOY!





Community Outreach

"Seek and You Will Find that All Things are Possible at CareerFest" was our theme this year and how true it was on Thursday, July 17th at Norcross First United Methodist Church. Nearly 300 job seekers spent the morning face to face with 56 hiring employers offering a variety of job openings. Also, 13 community partner agencies helped with Health & Wellness, Financial Management and other life needs including a job search seminar for 50 year olds.





Early 2014, we started a hotel outreach program to bring community agencies together to provide information and meet potential clients. Some of the agencies that participated included: Lion Lighthouse, ClearPoint Credit Counseling, Amerigroup, Family Promise and many others.

With help from many of our community partners, we now have regular offerings of Financial Literacy and Job Readiness Classes. Open to the community and taught in our new Annex building, these programs help further invest in our families. Next year, we will offer night and weekend classes and expand our list of available programs.

Restoring Hope! Investors

12Stone Church
Louise and Charles Adams

AGCO

Carole and George Allen
Carla and Duane Armstrong

Aperio Advisory Services

Cindi and Glen Aspinwall Associated Credit Union

Angie and Reed Baker

Susan and Alex Bardi

Bardi Heating and Air

Pamela and David Bartlett

Barbara and Mark Bataillon

Lynda and Robert Beebe

Joan and Bob Berto

Ken Birmingham

Karen Ellis Black (in Memory of

William G. Ellis)

Dana and Paige Blair

Joan and Norman Board

Brian Booth

Sherri and Bill Boucher

Cynthia and Bruce Bower

Barbara and Elliot Brack

Nancy and Joe Brand

Sonia and Thomas Bratten

Lisa and Alex Bruce

Helen and Denis Burger

Susan and Jerry Burum

John Byerley

Shirley Cabe

Brinda and Robert Campbell

Myrna Campbell-Kelly

Julia and David Chamblee

Campus Church of Christ

Central Baptist Church

Jenny and Bob Chapin

Christ Church Episcopal

Christ the King Lutheran Church

Heather and Alan Collins

Leslie and Newt Collinson Community Foundation of

Northeast Georgia

Darcy and David Copeland

Patricia and Jim Copeland

Virginia and Kenneth Cornwall Helen and Richard Courtland

Cox Foundation

Virginia and Dewey Crim

Julie Crosby

Ann and James Curry

Cindy Custard

Norma Custard

Laura and Chris Dardaman

Lynda Dean

Deloitte & Touche, LLP

Carole and Bob Demonbreun

Nicki DeVillier

Bobbie and Paul Dillon

Dixie Industrial Finishing Co.

BJ and Andrew Doherty

Dominion City Church

Kelly and Thomas Doran

Kim and Steve Dorough

Joan Doyle

Monica and Scott Dubois

Al Duncan

Debbie Dykes, Allstate

Billie and Jim Ellis

Enterprise Holding Foundation

Gwynne and Carl Espy

Equifax

Eureka Foundation

Evangelical Lutheran Church of

America

Linda and Mark Faupel

Beth and David Fincher

First Community Development

FIS Global

Dana and Tom Fishburne

Lisa and Van Fletchter

Arlene Floch

Linda Ford and Edward Saltzman

Jenny and Jim Forester

Francis Hollis Brain Foundation

Cyndy Franklin

Jill and Doug Franks

Terry and Steve Franzen

Kathy and Russ French

Faye and Randy Fretz

Gaby Foundation

Galaxy Asset Management

Donna Galucki

Alfred Gantert

Donna and Daniel Garcia

James Garner

Generations Church

Georgia Baptist Healthcare Foun-

dation

Georgia Commerce Bank

Margaret Gibson

Harry Goode and Richard Smith

Carol Gresham

Elizabeth and Paul Gross

William Grove

Gwinnett Church

Gwinnett County Public Schools

Lou and Doug Hall

Janette Harrington

Kathy and Les Harper

Ranae Heaven and Gene Ramsay

Patricia and Doug Heckman

Kathleen and Dr. Lee Herman

Frieda and Ned Heyward

Sue and Blair Holden

Olin Holly

Barbara Howard

Carol and Kirby Howell

Lila Hunter

Insight Sourcing Group, Inc.

Jackson EMC Foundation

Johns Creek United Methodist

Church

Donna and Tom Johnson

Restoring Hope! Investors

Virginia and Dwight Johnson

Jesse Joyner

Paul Kaeser

Pat and Jack Kelly

Snow and Gregory Kendall

Carey and Bobbye Kennison

Raquel and Kevin Kern

Keyworth Bank

Liz and Sam Kiker

Joseph King/Ernst & Young

Lynn and Danny Kinney

Kroger Foundation

Lisa and Robert Lake

Jack Lane

Leslie and Craig Lessner

LDS Church

Diane and Rodney Lewis

Elizabeth and Greg Lewis

Barbara and Peter Luckhurst

Stephanie and Steven Logue

Jan and Aaron Lupuloff

Jane and Steve Luttrell

Beverly and Jack MacKay

Jennifer and Paul Masters

Marianne and John McCrory

Mike McLaughlin

Laura and James McLeroy

Peggy and Rae Mellichamp

Monica and Mark Metz

Courtney and Eric Middleton

Minaledorff's. Inc.

Josh Moreland

Mt. Carmel United Methodist

Church

Dawn and Robin Muchow

Dr. Mary Kay Murphy

Norcross First United Methodist

Church

Norcross Presbyterian Church

Nordson Foundation

Northlands Church

Decie and Bill Nygaard Mary and Merrill Oakes

Charles O'Brien

Teresa and Kevin O'Connor

Jaynce and J. Campbell O'Keeffe

One Heart Church

Tony Parsons

Jan and Don Patrick

Peachtree Corners Baptist Church

Peachtree Corners Christian

Church

Peachtree Corners Church of

Christ

Peachtree Corners Presbyterian

Church

Perimeter Church

Stacy Phillips

Prehmus Financial

Tayna Pope/Ernst & Young

Publix Super Markets Charities

Minda Puckett

Kimberly and Daniel Ragland

Sylvia Ramos

Christy and Steve Rausch

Sheila and Markham Ray

Gary Ream

Red Door Restoration

Tom Reel

D'Ann and Bruce Renner

Barbara and James Renz

Marilyn and Tom Rhodes

Frances and Tom Rice

Molly and Brian Richey

Christy and Ernie Richmond

Rising Church

Annie and Don Rogers

Laura and Heim Rogers

Lisa and Mark Rood

Irene and Wendell Saline

Jim Sampson

Fred Schalteggar

Donna and Patrick Scullin

Ron Sherwood

Nancy and Joseph Simon

Jacqueline and John Shaffer

Nancy and Jim Sheppard

Simpsonwood United Methodist

Church

Joseph Sisto

Kyra and Kenneth Slack

David Smith

Donna and Robert Smith

Scarlet and Harvey Snider

St. Barnabas Anglican Church

Nancy and William Stanton

Crandall Storey and Doug Denker

Beth and Dave Strickland

Bill and Bo Strong, Select Marketing

Suzanna's Kitchen

Marilyn Tatum

Steven Taylor

The Piedmont Bank

The Primerica Foundation

The Scott Hudgens Family Founda-

tion

Marilyn and Kirk Thompson

Candiice Todd

Gillian and Randy Todd

Trinity Press

Stacy and Scott Vansant

Victory World Church

Waffle House Foundation

Ron Welch

Chester Whisonant

Marsha and Rick White

Whitehead Foundation

Vickie and Bill Williams

Winters Chapel United Methodist

Church

Brenda Wood

Michelle and Aaron Wynn

Paula and Steven Yoon

Lenora Zahler

Restoring Hope! In action

With God
All things are possible

Joyce Smith came to NCM homeless. She broke her ankle, couldn't walk and lost her job. Without any income, she lost her home. After meeting with Donna Galucki, our Faith Community Nurse, it was discovered that Joyce would need surgery to walk again. With no insurance, she had been denied this specialized medical care. Joyce was approved for charity care at Gwinnett Medical Center Duluth. With a grant from a **Restoring Hope!** Donor, Georgia Baptist Healthcare Foundation, her shelter and prescriptions were paid during this transition period. A few months after surgery, Joyce went to live with her sister in the Boston area. We helped Joyce in many ways. She would have been a homeless and forgotten soul living on the street not being able to walk.

On the right, Judith Galiz of Norcross, who suffered with high blood pressure, is very happy with 113/99 reading at the monthly Health Fair. This event takes place every second Saturday of the month and is sponsored by Victory World Church, a **Restoring Hope!** donor. We are working to get our community on a journey back to good health.



(Pictured on the Left) Dr. Jody Alderman and Rev. Terri Hoye, Pastors of Norcross First UMC enjoyed our First Annual Restoring Hope! Partner's Breakfast on September 25, 2014. This event was for 235 investors that participated in the Restoring Hope! Campaign. We presented an update of our Transforming Lives Program, our New Expanded Services and programs to Educate and Communicate the local community and investors.

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Recap of 2014



34,050 People were Served



80,900 Items of Clothing Distributed



36,340 Bags of Food Distributed



25,533 Volunteer Hours Served



1,300 Book Bags Distributed



2,700 Children received Christmas gifts

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2014 Financial Donors

NCM is a cooperative ministry of <u>23</u> member churches. The Board of Directors is comprised of one voting delegate and one alternate delegate from each member church. The Board holds open business meetings the first Monday night of each month, unless otherwise announced. Meetings begin at 7:00pm on-site at 2275 Mitchell Road in Norcross. The following includes a list of <u>member churches</u>:

- 12Stone
- Campus Church of Christ
- Central Baptist Church
- Christ Church Episcopal
- Christ the King Lutheran Church
- Generations Church
- John Wesley United Methodist Church
- Johns Creek Baptist Church
- Johns Creek United Methodist Church
- Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church
- Norcross First United Methodist Church
- Norcross Presbyterian Church
- One Heart Church

- Peachtree Corners Baptist Church
- Peachtree Corners Church of Christ
- Peachtree Corners Christian Church—Disciples of Christ
- Peachtree Corners Presbyterian Church
- Perimeter Church
- Rising Church
- Simpsonwood United Methodist Church
- St. Barnabas Anglican Church
- St. James Lutheran Church
- Victory World Church

NCM would like to recognize the following supporting churches: Christos Community Church, Kingdom Now Church, Northeast Community Church, Northlands Christian, Sugarloaf United Methodist Church, The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and Winters Chapel United Methodist Church.

2014 Businesses

- Barnes National
- Displayit, Inc.
- Eurameax International, Inc.
- First Community Development
- Highgrove Partners, LLC
- Jim Ellis Automotive Group
- Key Music Center
- Kroger Commitment Card
- Marathon Petroleum Company
- McMaster-Carr Supply Company
- Microsoft Matching Gifts Program
- Neiman Marcus Last Call
- NJP ProCraft
- REED Construction Data
- REIT Management & Research LLC
- Rock-Tenn Company
- Ryerson
- Simcan Enterprises
- Skyline Toolworks, Inc.
- STARR
- Technical Innovation, LLC
- The John Foster Agency
- Thompson, O'Brien, Kemp & Nasuti, P.C.
- Unity Plus LLC Motel 6

2014 Civic & Social

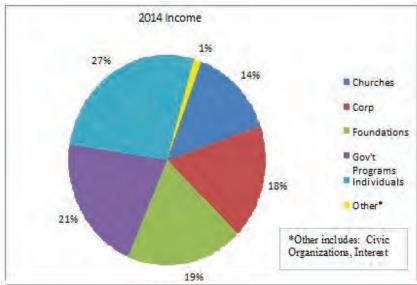
- Dekalb Gwinnett City Council BetaSigmaPhi
- Delta Chapter Alpha Delta Kappa
- Georgia Stars Baseball Academy
- Lake Berkeley Chapel
- Linfield Ladies Brunco Group
- Nesbit Elementary
- Newcomer Women's Club
- NFLRA-National Football League Referees
- Norcross Garden Club
- Norcross Lions Club
- Norcross Recycling Event
- Peachtree Corners Festival
- Peachtree Corners Rotary Club
- Peachtree Station
 Homeowner's Association

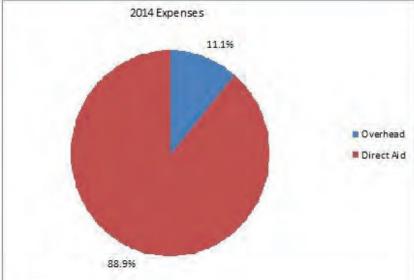
2014 Foundations & Grants

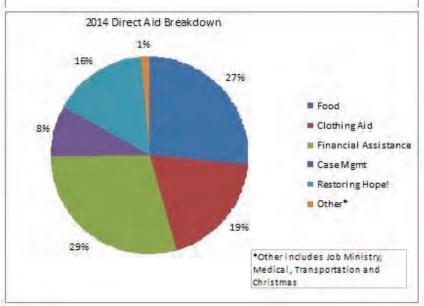
- Communication Foundation for Northeast Georgia
- Emergency Solutions Grant

- Emergency Food and Shelter Grant
- Equifax, Inc.
- Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
- EZ Agape Foundation
- Frances Wood Wilson Foundation, Inc.
- Gaby Foundation
- Gwinnett Chapter Thrivet Financial for Lutherans
- Jackson EMC Foundation
- JALS Foundation
- Kroger Community Rewards
- Publix Super Markets Charities, Inc.
- Scott Hudgens Family Foundation, Inc.
- The Harry E. / Bobby H. Ingram Family Foundation
- The Primerica Foundation
- United Way of Greater Atlanta
- United Way of Greater Lorain County
- United Way of Metro Atlanta-Corp Family
- Wells Fargo Foundation

2014 Financial Snapshot







2014 Income: \$1,027,674

Churches 14%
Corporations 18%
Foundations 19%
Government Programs 21%
Individuals 27%
Other 1%



2014 Expenses: \$1,923,943

Overhead 11.1% Direct Aid 88.9 %



Direct Aid Breakdown: \$1,711,145

Food 27% Clothing 19% Financial Assistance 29% Case Management 8% Restoring Hope! 16% Others 1%

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How you can help!

NCM volunteer opportunities include:

- Client Assistance Volunteers & Translators: Mon, Wed & Fri (10:00am-2pm); Tues (6:00pm-8:00pm) & Saturday (10am-Noon).
- Warehouse, Clothes Closet, Office & Special Projects: Mon through Fri (9:00am-4:00pm)
- <u>Job Ministry</u>: Flexible Hours. Assistance is needed with calling clients, researching job leads, preparing resumes, and keeping the NCM job information board up-to-date. We are also looking for business professionals willing to share their expertise in a one-on-one or workshop setting.
- **Essential items needed**: Canned meats, jelly, soup, one pound bags of rice, personal care items, toilet tissue, soap and toothpaste.

NOTE: NCM is not able to accept furniture, mattresses, computer equipment, TVs, stereos, etc.

Stay up-to-date on critical needs, upcoming events and other activities throughout the year by providing us with your email address, going to our website or joining us on Facebook.

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