

NORCROSS

COOPERATIVE MINISTRY



ANNUAL REPORT

How It All Began...

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In October 1986, the seed was planted with church leaders considering "wouldn't it be wonderful if all the Norcross area churches could combine their efforts to help those in need in our area?"

Then it happened. In 1988 several local churches joined together to form the Norcross Cooperative Ministry with a mission to provide services to low income and homeless families in our community. In the beginning NCM provided food for 2 to 5 families a day. NCM now serves 50-70 families a day with food, clothing, and financial assistance. Responding to the changing dynamics of the community, NCM continues to expand these critical services and adding new ones that include toiletries, small household items, baby items, spiritual guidance, medical referrals, personal empowerment classes, children's activities, school supplies and Christmas assistance.

More than 25 years serving our community, our mission states "Helping those in crisis by collaborating with the community to offer programs and services that transform lives through the love of Christ." It is through the support of our local churches, businesses, social and civic organizations, foundations, grants and individuals that make this ministry possible. Together we are making a difference in our community.

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OUR MISSION

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A Word From Our Leadership



**Shirley
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Executive Director

"I came to Norcross Cooperative Ministry with absolutely nothing" said a young mom. "I had no place to stay and very little to feed my kids. I had lost all hope with no where else to turn. The people at NCM didn't treat me like a homeless person, they made me feel important".

As I look back on 2016, I hear these words often from those coming through our doors. Some need shelter, some food, still others clothing or a job or school supplies. I am reminded daily that everyone needs to know they matter and that someone cares.

I am also reminded of a message I heard recently; that as a community of faith we are to look at others through one lens...we are to look at others through the eyes of Jesus.

For close to 30 years now NCM has been a place of hope, understanding, encouragement and help to so many who feel forgotten and alone.

On behalf of all of those in our community who are struggling, thank you so much to everyone who donated, volunteered, collected food, helped with a hiring event, bagged toys, hung clothes, answered our phones or held the hand and prayed with someone in need.

The young mom told us as she left that day, "Thank you Norcross Co-op for believing in me!"

Without your love and concern for those around us, we would not be able to serve thousands of people each year.

From the staff and volunteers I want to say thank you so much for all you do to support NCM. Working together we can make a difference in the lives of others in this community, one family at a time.



**Jim
Sampson**

Board President

The fourth year in the 5-year Restoring Hope! initiative was completed in 2016. NCM clients continue to benefit from the tremendous support that this initiative has experienced from so many donors and volunteers. Please take a moment to read through this annual report to see what NCM has accomplished over the past year. I think you will agree that NCM is an amazingly blessed entity that blesses others.

One of my favorite songs (and a challenge and reminder to me) is "Do Something" by Matthew West. The song challenges us to identify the needs around us and then do something to address those needs. While citing a number of social issues in the world around us, the song says, "I just shook my fist at heaven and said to God, 'Why don't you do something?'" God said, "I did, I created you." We can't sit back and expect someone else to respond to the societal needs around us. As the song notes God created us to serve those in need. He wants us to be His hands, His feet, His heart of love to our neighbors experiencing needs in their lives. We can't

wait for someone else to do it, He created us to be the doers.

NCM is blessed to have a staff, volunteers, supporters, and donors that respond to God's call by doing something to help meet the needs of people in our community. God's love is personified through all involved at NCM as they go about the business of meeting the clients' needs. With the help, support, and participation of many dedicated individuals, churches, businesses, and other groups NCM can say "We did something to make a difference in people's lives."

A big THANK YOU to all who are currently involved with the NCM in some way. You are the reason NCM is so effective in helping others. For those reading this newsletter who are not involved in NCM please come in for a visit, go to our website, or give us a call (770-263-0013) to find out the many different ways that you can "do something" to help your neighbor in need through NCM.



RESTORING HOPE - In Action!



"I was having a hard time after losing my job and was facing eviction from my apartment. I thought I was out of options for me and my six year old daughter. NCM was the only agency willing and able to help me stay in my place. I attended workshops to help with budgeting and job search. I thank God for the Norcross Cooperative Ministry. I have been truly blessed from the experience and having the tools for success to regain my stability." -**Andrea-**

**"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in."
Matthew 25:35 (NIV)**



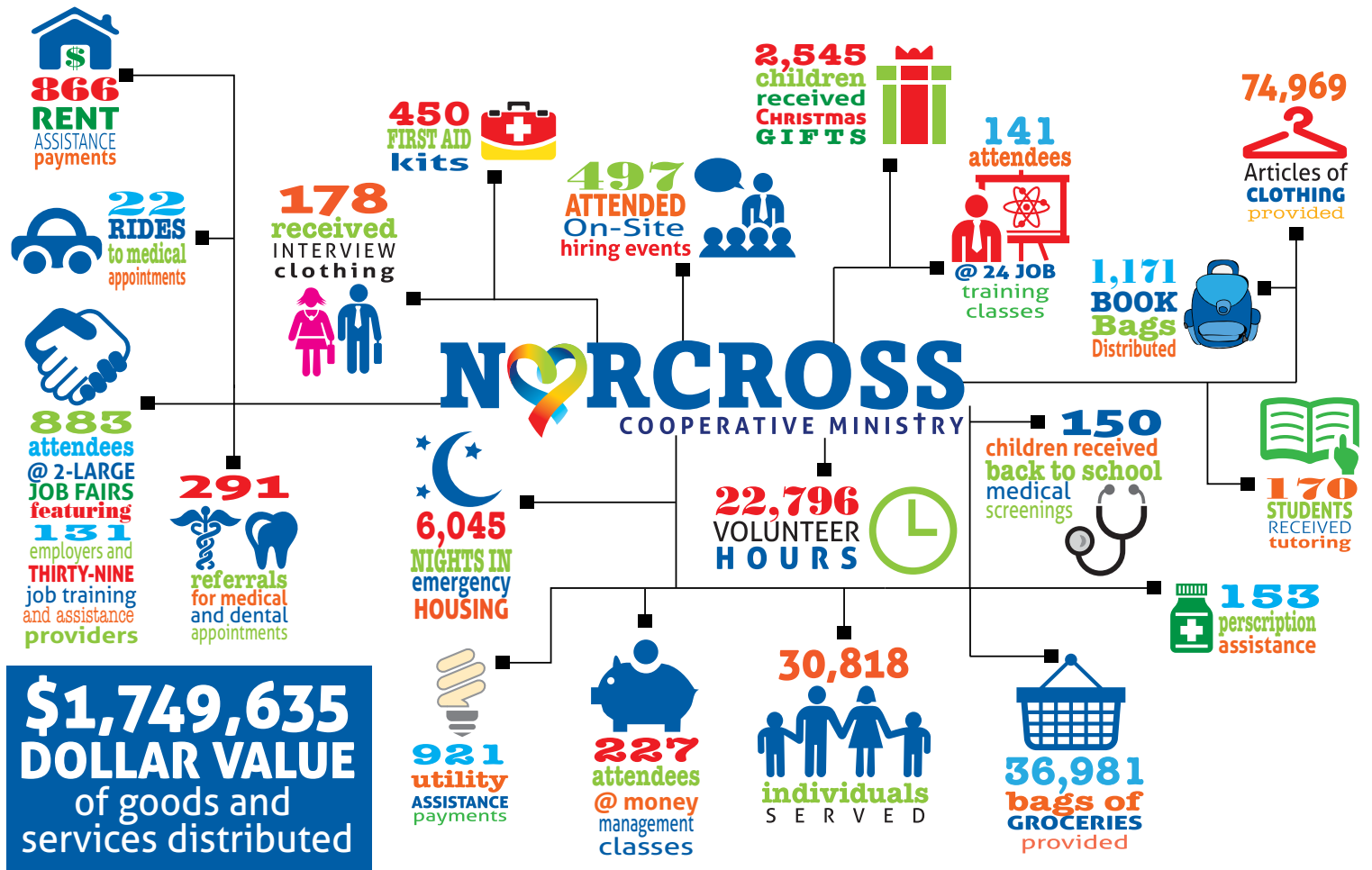
I came to the Norcross Cooperative Ministry with absolutely nothing. I had no place to stay with little to eat and no money. NCM helped my family with hotel assistance. I attended one of the on-site job fairs with Waffle House Catering and was offered a job on the spot. In August 2016, I was able to find an apartment for my family. "I am so thankful and blessed...Norcross Co-op has blessed me and my family." -**Robertina-**



I was a homeless Veteran with three children. NCM put me in a hotel and guided me with re-doing my resume in order to find a better paying job. My case manager gave me positive guidance towards accepting the challenges I was going through. I was denied 3-4 times during my search for a new home. NCM partnered with Action Ministries and now I am in a new place to call home. The kids are enjoying having their own rooms and now I can cook their favorite meals. They have space to run around and play with their toys. I would like to thank all of the staff for helping me and my family in our time of need. With my faith, I will not fail nor give up on God and his almighty will for me to be successful. -**Gloria-**



YOUR SUPPORT RESTORED HOPE TO MANY



2016 Member Churches

12 Stone
 Campus Church of Christ
 Central Baptist Church
 Christ Church Episcopal
 Christ The King Lutheran Church
 Corners Church of Christ
 Generations Church
 John Wesley United Methodist Church
 Johns Creek Baptist Church
 Johns Creek United Methodist Church
 Kingdom Now Ministries
 Mt. Carmel United Methodist Church
 Norcross First United Methodist Church
 Norcross Presbyterian Church
 One Heart Church
 Parkway Baptist Church

Peachtree Corners Baptist Church
 Peachtree Corners Christian Church
 Peachtree Corners Presbyterian Church
 Perimeter Church
 Rising Church
 Simpsonwood United Methodist Church
 St. Barnabas Anglican Church
 Victory World Church

2016 SUPPORTING CHURCHES

Gwinnett Church
 Lake Berkeley Chapel
 Mary Our Queen Catholic Church
 Sugarloaf United Methodist Church
 The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints
 Winters Chapel United Methodist Church

To see a full list of Business, Social/Civic Organizations and Foundations that have donated, go to our website norcrosso-op.org



2016 Financial Snapshot

2016 Income: \$1,301,100



- 20% Churches
- 15% Corporations
- 16% Foundations
- 18% Government Programs
- 31% Individuals

2016 Direct Aid Breakdown: \$1,749,635*



- 28% Food
- 17% Clothing
- 24% Financial Assistance
- 1% Christmas
- 5% Case Management
- 25% Restoring Hope!
(Transform Lives Program)

* Includes in-kind donations of food and clothing



How You Can Help!

- **FINANCIAL SUPPORT**

Make regular contributions or conduct special fundraising efforts. Donate online or by mail.

- **CONDUCT A DRIVE**

Organize a drive through your group at church, work or civic organization. Groups can collect non-perishable food, school supplies and personal care items.

- **VOLUNTEER**

Assist with sorting clothes, interviewing clients, receiving donations and administrative duties.

- **KROGER/AMAZON**

Give to NCM while you shop. Select Norcross Cooperative Ministry as your non-profit of choice and money will be donated to our agency at no additional cost to you.

- **CHILDREN'S MINISTRY**

Assist with the supervision of children's activities while their parents receive services.

- **CHRISTMAS**

Conduct toy drives, adopt a family, donate warm clothing items or donate gift cards to feed a family for the holidays.

- **PERSONAL EMPOWERMENT PROGRAMS**

Assist with registering clients, monitoring classes, teaching a class and more.

- **HEALTH MINISTRY**

Volunteers with medical backgrounds are needed to assist with monthly health fairs.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES INCLUDE:

- Client Assistance Volunteers & Translators: Mon, Wed & Fri (10:00am-2:00pm); Tues (6:00pm-8:00pm) & Saturday (10:00am-Noon).
- Warehouse, Clothes Closet, Office & Special Projects: Mon through Fri (9:00am-4:00pm)
- Job Ministry: 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: Peanut butter, jelly, cereal, canned meat, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, mac and cheese, laundry detergent, paper towels, cleaning supplies, feminine care items, toilet tissue, soap, toothpaste, shampoo and deodorant.

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.



Thank YOU to our 2016 Donors!

2016 Businesses

Admin Skyline Toolworks
AGL Resources
Bank of America Foundation
Berkeley Lake Learning Center LLC
Black Lab Farm, LLC
C. L. Smith Co
Cable Connections
Capstone Hospice
Concrete Resurfacing Products, Inc.
Deloitte & Touche LLP
Dixie Industrial Finishing Co.
Eaton Vance Distributors
Equifax, Inc.
Ernst & Young LLP
FedEx Corporation
Genuine Parts Company
Guardian Products, Inc.
Hancock Askew & Co. LLP
Heaven and Associates PC
Hill Foley Rossi & Associates
Insight Sourcing Group, Inc.
Kennemore, William L, CPA, LLC
LightsandBatteries.com, LLC
Macy's East
Marathon Petroleum Company LLC
Marketing Workshop
Mingledorff's Inc.

Prehmus Financial
STARR
Studio 87 Yoga, LLC
Suzanna's Kitchen
The Piedmont Bank
UnitedHealth Group
WestRock Company

2016 Civic & Social

Alpha Delta Kappa
City of Norcross - Accounts Payable
Delta Chapter Alpha Delta Kappa
Georgia Stars Baseball Academy
Louise Radloff Middle School
Newcomer Womens Club
Norcross Euchre Meet up
Norcross High School Class of 1966
Norcross Lions Club
Norcross Recycling Event
Peachtree Corners Business Association
Peachtree Station Homeowners Assn. Inc
Peachtree Station Swim & Tennis Club, Inc
Pinckneyville Middle School
Wellington Lake Youth Community Svc Club
Young Men's Service League, Inc

2016 Foundations

Adventure Outdoors Foundation, Inc
AmazonSmile Foundation
Autodesk Foundation
Comcast Foundation
Community Foundation for Greater Atlanta
Frances Wood Wilson Foundation, Inc.
GA Baptist Health Care Foundation
Gaby Foundation
Jackson EMC Foundation
Jim Ellis Employee Charity Inc
Kroger Community Rewards
National Christian Foundation
Primerica
Ronald Earl Roquemore Foundation
Schwab Charitable Fund
Scott Hudgens Family Foundation, Inc
Thrivent Financial
United Way of Greater Atlanta
United Way of Greater Philadelphia & SNJ
United Way of Metro Atlanta - Corp Family
The Archibald and Elaine Boyce Memorial
The Associated Credit Union Foundation
The Grainger Foundation
The Jim and Billie Ellis Foundation
The Nordson Corporation Foundation
The Shumard Foundation, Inc
Wells Fargo Foundation



2017 Upcoming Events

Mt. Carmel BBQ Fundraiser Event: **April 7-8**
Spring Job Fair: **April 11**
Volunteer Appreciation: **April 23-29**
Stamp Out Hunger: **May 13**
Backpack Collection: **Begins in June**
Summer Christmas Toy Collection: **Begins in June**
Annual Careerfest: **July 20**
Monthly Health Fairs: **2nd Saturday of each month**

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