

PERSPECTIVE

FROM THE FRONTLINES

CELEBRATING OUR 43RD YEAR OF RESTORING HOPE



**CABARRUS
COUNTY**

SCHOLARSHIP FOR SENIOR LIVING AT *GRACE PLACE*



The Ms. Corine Cannon Scholarship for Residential Assisted and Independent Living, a special scholarship to help seniors access assisted living at ***Grace Place*** @ **Caremoor**, continues to grow as folks learn of this unique opportunity to support a vulnerable population here in our community. This initiative is named in honor of Ms. Corine Cannon, a dedicated advocate for our community.

Ms. Cannon, who has long supported the residents of Cabarrus County, saw a need for better access to assisted living for retirees and advocated for a solution.

Ed Hosack, CCM's CEO, expressed his excitement about this initiative, stating, "This scholarship will help more people access the quality care they deserve, supporting our commitment to serving vulnerable seniors in our community."

Currently, the scholarship fund has \$74,500, and CCM's goal is to reach \$105,000 in honor of Ms. Cannon's 105th birthday! If you'd like to contribute, you can donate at CooperativeMinistry.com.

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THE REBUILDERS CAMPUS UPDATE

2025: WE NEED A BREAKTHROUGH

According to the North Carolina Housing Coalition twenty-seven percent of Cabarrus households are **cost burdened**, for many of them their cost of housing leaves them with **not enough** to cover the current high cost of all other necessary household expenses, like food, clothing, transportation, medical, education, and other important items. (27% = 20,341 households)

Homelessness and Housing Crisis is affecting an increasing number of people in our community. CCM has initiated a breakthrough housing solution to help individuals and families recover from financial struggle and regain stability.

WE NEED YOUR HELP to create **Grace Place @ Caremoor and The Rebuilders Campus**. The hard truth is that 3 out of 10 of our neighbors are too cost burdened to help. A few of our neighbors are helping with significantly large gifts.

OUR GOAL is for 1 out of 10 of the remaining Cabarrus County households, businesses and churches to contribute a promise level gift of \$1,200. In doing so, we will raise \$10 million to establish a real solution for homelessness and housing crisis in our community.

Please be ONE of the 10% who promise either - \$100 per month for a year, \$50 per month for two years, \$35 per month for 3 years or a one-time gift of \$1,200. [Click the link](#) or visit our website to be among the 10% who CAN and WILL.

PEOPLE NEED A SAFE PLACE TO LIVE

Without stable housing, a family cannot safely store and prepare food, they cannot establish adequate sleep, maintain proper hygiene or follow a treatment regimen. Without the stability of housing it is nearly impossible for children to be successful in school or for adults to maintain the expectations of employment. Parents cannot support the dynamics to nurture family life or participation in community. Without stable housing there is no rehabilitation and no recovery.

HOMELESSNESS & HOUSING CRISIS ARE COSTING US!

MORE THAN the economic drain on our **SYSTEMS:** Schools, Healthcare, Financial, Legal, Transportation

MORE THAN the costs in our **SERVICES:** Mental Health, Social, Emergency, Environmental

MORE THAN the loss to our **SECTORS:** Landlords, Employers, Law Enforcement, Local Merchants, and Nonprofits

We cannot afford to wait for someone else to solve the problem. It's costing US our FUTURE!



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THE REBUILDERS CAMPUS DIGITAL CAMPAIGN

JOIN US IN BUILDING THE FUTURE: A NEVER-BEFORE-DONE INITIATIVE TO EMPOWER CABARRUS COUNTY!

We want to take a moment to thank you for your patience as we've worked to launch our digital campaign for the exciting transformation happening at The Rebuilders Campus at Brown Mill. While the process took a little longer than expected, we're thrilled to share that we're now fully up and running!

Even better—our intro video is available to watch RIGHT NOW! Click below to get a glimpse of what's to come: Watch ["The Run of the Mill"](#) on YouTube.

This initiative is more than just a project—it's a movement. And we're inviting you to be part of the 10% of Cabarrus County residents who will help bring this vision to life. This is a never-before-done type of initiative, and with your support, we can create something extraordinary for our community. Together, we can make a lasting impact!

We also ask that you invite your friends, family, and colleagues to join this movement. Let's grow this 10% together! Thank you for believing in the Rebuilders Campus and for helping us lay the foundation for something incredible.



TO STAY CONNECTED and up-to-date, we encourage you to follow our brand-new social media pages:

- Follow us on [Facebook](#)
- Follow us on [Instagram](#)

These pages will feature exclusive updates, progress videos, and opportunities to get involved. Your support means everything, and liking and following these pages is an easy way to stay engaged and make an impact.

CCM IS HIRING!

Are you passionate about serving single mothers and helping them achieve self-sufficiency? We aim to serve women from crisis to restoration! Cooperative Christian Ministry is seeking a compassionate and driven Housing Coordinator to join our team. This role involves providing support to single mothers in transitional housing, helping them set and achieve personal goals, and connecting them with resources to promote independence. The ideal candidate will have a heart to serve, strong interpersonal skills, basic administrative abilities, and a desire to make a meaningful difference by showcasing the love of Jesus Christ. **If you are interested in this opportunity, please submit your resume to Debbie Garcia at Dgarcia@cooperativeministry.com**



THE “ROLE” OF THE CABARRUS COUNTY FAITH COMMUNITY

As CCM dives deeper into our **BOLD INITIATIVE** to create housing solutions here in Cabarrus County, God continues to provide opportunity for us to share this vision and plan with countless here in our community. Many of those conversations are with businesses and individuals who share a similar desire with CCM to do whatever needed to help those in need of assistance.

Likewise, our conversations with our faith community pastors and leadership teams are just as uplifting, but more often than not, we are presented the question: “What does CCM see as the church’s role in this initiative?” Our Board and staff have had several discussions on this question and we feel it’s quite simple:

OUR FAITH COMMUNITY CAN

PRAY

- For the ever-growing needs facing our community
- For the ‘people’ to respond – through volunteering their time or financial generosity
- For the front-line staff and board at CCM as we serve and witness to those in need

PROVIDE

- Awareness updates to their church members on the ‘needs’ facing our community and the ‘response’ of those addressing those needs
- Opportunity for members of their congregations to engage and help CCM build and sustain these projects (in-kind opportunities)

PARTNER

- In faith and join CCM as a PROMISE LEVEL contributor at \$1,200 (\$100/month for 1Y, \$50/month for 2Y or \$35/month for 3Y)

PASTOR
LEADER **UPDATE**

Attention all Church
Leaders, Staff, and Volunteers!

JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST
REGISTER NOW!

JAN 28 Multiply Church
7:30am- 280 Concord Pkwy South
9:00am Suite 15
Concord, NC

REGISTER

Here in 2025, one of the very first opportunities for our pastors and church leaders is to join CCM at our Annual Pastor / Leader Breakfast on Tuesday January 28th from 7:30am – 9:00am. See information above for registration and event details.

UPCOMING EVENTS



The Annual Scouting for Food drive is on Saturday, Feb. 1. Scouts will distribute door hangers the Saturday before. All food collected in Cabarrus County stays in Cabarrus County (even if the door hanger says Second Harvest Food Bank). Place bags of food on front door steps or porch early in the morning. Scouts will pick up and bring to CCM. If Scouts are not picking up in your neighborhood, you may bring donations to the Crisis Center at 246 Country Club Drive NE, Concord, between 10:00 AM and 1:00 PM.

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

2024 CHRISTMAS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM RECAP

Thanks to the incredible generosity of our community, this year's Christmas Assistance Programs were a success!

Senior Care & Share Shoebox Program: We received 199 shoe boxes and gift bags filled with thoughtful items. 164 were distributed to Meals on Wheels shut-ins, and 35 went to Caremoor residents, delivered by Pam Smith, CCM's Director of Partner engagement.



Adopt a Family for Christmas Program: All 121 applications, including those from our housing clients, were matched with sponsors from local businesses, churches, and individuals. Families also received toys from the Cannon YMCA Toy Closet, and gift cards donated by the community. Additional support came from the Salvation Army, Shop with a Cop, Boys & Girls Club, and Target Kids.

A special thanks to Crossroads Church for sponsoring families and to the Cannon YMCA for providing toys, clothing, and bikes. Together, we brought joy to our neighbors in need this holiday season!

A heartfelt thank you to the **SALT Group at Connect Christian Church** for going above and beyond this year by "adopting" two of our senior adults for both Christmas and their birthdays. Your kindness truly made a difference!

EMPTY STOCKING FUND & BICYCLE MINISTRY

This Christmas, 203 bicycles from the Bicycle Ministry were distributed through the YMCA's Empty Stocking Fund, spreading smiles and holiday cheer to children in our community.

See the joy in action! Watch the video [on YouTube](#).

Thank you to everyone who made this incredible partnership possible!



THANK YOU



On December 3rd, **Speedway Children's Charities** hosted their annual "Night of Joy" where they awarded \$1.4M among 67 agencies who are impacting the lives of youth and families across our community. CCM is immensely grateful to be among these recipients, as we were gifted \$15,000 to support children served through our Food, Financial, & Housing programs.

Thank you, SCC!

CCM expresses our gratitude to the **Harvard Business School (HBS) Alumni Club** and the **Management Development Program (MDP)**, especially to our friends **Steve Hindman and Myron White**, for a recent gift of \$2,425. Since their support began back in 2009, the program has donated \$52,000 to our relief efforts here in Cabarrus County. Ed Hosack and Bob Utsman (CCM Board Member) were participants in the class back 2009, and the program has been consistent in their commitment to CCM since that time. Thank you!



NOV. & DEC. FOOD DRIVES

- **All Saints Episcopal** - 897 lbs.
- **AL Brown HS Bell Game Food Drive** - 889 lbs.
- **Hendricks Motorsports Pit Crews Trunk or Treat** - 864 lbs.
- **Poplar Tent Presbyterian** - 516 lbs.
- **Concord Lake STEAM Academy** - 496 lbs.
- **Coltrane-Webb School** - 385 lbs.
- **Concord Middle School** - 354 lbs.
- **St. James the Greater Catholic** - 334 lbs.
- **St. Martin Lutheran** - 308 lbs.
- **Baha'i Faith of Concord** - 301 lbs.
- **Westrock Coffee** - 278 lbs.
- **VFW** - 267 lbs.
- **Primrose School** - 266 lbs.
- **Coddle Creek Animal Hospital** - 256 lbs.
- **Mt. Hermon Lutheran** - 241 lbs.
- **The Refuge Church** - 216 lbs.
- **Tommy's Express Car Wash** - 215 lbs.
- **Concord ARP Church & Marine Corps** - 210 lbs.
- **Memorial United Methodist** - 204 lbs.
- **New Hope Lutheran** - 203 lbs.
- **Elevation Church Concord** - 241 lbs. of Thanksgiving meal boxes

ALSO THANK YOU TO:

Brewington Farms for donating **1,028 lbs.** of sweet potatoes

Cabarrus Quilters' Guild for donating **135 lbs.** of food with an additional monetary donation

All Saints Episcopal Men for donating enough funds to purchase **238 turkeys**





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COMMUNITY PRAYER REQUESTS

Join with us in supporting our community through prayer. Watch as God works around us through our faithful prayers.

PRAY WITH US

FOOD RESOURCES

The 'Cabarrus County Food Resource Map', which was created by the Hunger Task Force, is available on our website. Please share this valuable resource with the community.

VIEW MAP



SENIOR RESOURCE GUIDE

We provide resources for housing, health, transportation, and more. Click the button to see all the resources we provide.

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HELP with HOUSING

Our housing programs provide the opportunity for families with children, senior adults, and other adult individuals to stop the cycle of loss, establish sustainability, and achieve housing stability.

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Visit: <https://concordnc.gov/Departments/Customer-Care/Neighbor-Helping-Neighbor>



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