



Fellow Humanitarians:

We'd like to introduce you to **Neighborhood House** and what we are doing in support of the Charleston inner city community (See attached brochure).

Neighborhood House has been a presence in our community since 1915, playing an integral role in providing services to people in need. We provide a wide range of services and supports:

CLOTHING CENTER	BOOK CLUB
FOOD PANTRY	SEWING CLASSES
SOUP KITCHEN	COMPUTER ENRICHMENT
EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE	GED PREPARATION CLASSES
SENIOR CITIZENS	RESUME WRITING
PARENTING CLASSES	CHILDREN & FAMILIES SVC
CROCHETING	FREE MEDICAL CLINIC

Unfortunately, with the current state of affairs of our nation, the needs are growing dramatically. To combat this issue of ever evolving poverty, we are focused on creating educational supports that tie into each service rendered. To clarify, as we continue with services like emergency utility assistance, we must also support the client in looking at their spending history and present the option of budgeting; this way, there is a mutual investment. We are also reaching out to other community service agencies with the intent being to partner and share services to have the impact required to provoke change for the better.

As everyone is painfully aware, housing, hunger, unemployment, deficits in education, no investment in trade skills, obesity, limited supports for the elderly and our children, etc.; (the needs of our community) are so great. Our goal is to develop support systems that provoke client self-sufficiency. Prayerfully, through the establishment of partnerships we can reach more people and strengthen our network of support.

Seeking to enrich services and enhance lives,

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DAILY COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT:

- **Direct Assistance** – we assist approximately 5 people daily with financial assistance (SCE&G, Water, Medication, Housing and medical needs (glasses, dental) through other community collaborations)
- **Nutrition** – we serve lunch for approximately 125+ people daily. Through our Healthy Foods Initiative, we have partnered with area dietitians and local Farmers to insure that our meals are balanced and that fruits and vegetables are accessible for the community.
- **Clothing** – Through our Clothing Center we provide clothing and household items to the community (infants, children, women and men).
- **Education** – Students from the community come to NH to receive supports in basic literacy, GED preparation and testing and computer literacy.
- **Additionally** – On a monthly basis classes are scheduled for budgeting, sewing, crocheting and parenting.

All services and supports are at no financial cost to the community; THE ONLY COST IS AN INVESTMENT IN THEMSELVES.

Our goal is to build sustainable solutions to combat poverty.