

# LOCAL MISSIONS

## **Affordable Housing Initiatives**

### **Habitat for Humanity**

Restore / Cindy Young / 828-696-9524

Construction / Melissa Ailiff / [mailiff@habitat-hvl.org](mailto:mailiff@habitat-hvl.org)

Serve others through the construction of homes and the operation of the Restore facilities.

### **Housing Assistance Corporation**

Marcesa Harper / 828-629-4744 ext. 103 / [marcesa@housing-assistance.com](mailto:marcesa@housing-assistance.com)

A private, non-profit organization committed to providing safe and affordable housing for persons of limited income living in Henderson County and surrounding areas.

## **Domestic Violence Initiatives**

### **Safelight**

Laresa Griffin / 828-693-3840 / [laresa@safelightfamily.org](mailto:laresa@safelightfamily.org)

Volunteers are utilized in almost every aspect of the agency's programs and are a vital part of Safelight's team and delivery of services by volunteering at the front desk, sorting donations, assisting with direct services and the family violence class, and in many other ways.

## **Health-Related Initiatives**

### **The Free Clinics**

Jolie Singletary / 828-697-8422 / [jsingletary@thefreeclinics.org](mailto:jsingletary@thefreeclinics.org)

Works to close the healthcare gap in Henderson County by providing free healthcare and services to low-income, uninsured residents.

### **Pardee Hospital**

Karla Reese / 828-696-4240 / [karla.reese@pardeehospitalorg](mailto:karla.reese@pardeehospitalorg)

Volunteers help with transport, at checkout, chaplaincy, gift cart, reading cart, newspaper distribution, and many other opportunities.

### **Relay for Life**

Judy Nutwell / 828-388-1096 / [jnutwell@gmail.com](mailto:jnutwell@gmail.com)

Volunteers help raise funds as a team to support the American Cancer Society. Members represent First United Methodist Church before, during and after the Relay.

## **Homelessness Initiatives**

### **Homes for Youth**

Kathleen Lambert / [klambert55@yahoo.com](mailto:klambert55@yahoo.com)

Mission is to provide stable, safe, and appropriate housing with positive role models to homeless youth in Henderson County, enabling each young person to reach his or her full potential. Volunteers needed for fundraising and grant writing, social media, meal preparation.



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## **Joseph's Outreach Ministry**

Chuck White / 828-692-2970 / [chuck.white@mindspring.com](mailto:chuck.white@mindspring.com)

This day center for poor and homeless individuals was established to be a place of resources and hope. Volunteers attend a one-time training and help serve meals, staff the welcome desk, serve on the JOM board, help with communications and outreach, and assist in other direct services.

## **Only Hope WNC**

Marti Eudeman / [volunteer@onlyhopewnc.org](mailto:volunteer@onlyhopewnc.org)

Only Hope serves the homeless youth of WNC by providing a home and services where education, personal growth, and opportunity are supported. Whether bringing a group in to sort through our pantry, helping with paperwork, or serving on the Only Hope board, you can help make a difference

## **Hendersonville Rescue Mission**

Yam Burke / 828-697-1354

A non-profit committed to providing overnight shelter, food, and clothing to homeless in our community. Volunteers assist with chapel services, meal serving.

## **Hunger Initiatives**

### **Agape Feeding**

Wayne Matthews / 919-264-0708 / [wayne\\_matthews@ncsu.edu](mailto:wayne_matthews@ncsu.edu)

Volunteers serve a weekly meal on Sunday afternoons at Joseph Outreach ministry on 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Food is typically donated by local vendors.

### **Backpack Mission Program**

Bob Winters / 828-698-4949 / [wintersnchome@bellsouth.net](mailto:wintersnchome@bellsouth.net)

The FUMC Backpack Mission Program obtains and packs bags of food to provide supplemental nutrition over the weekend for children at Bruce Drysdale Elementary School in Hendersonville who are on the free or reduced lunch program. The bags are packed weekly by FUMC volunteers and delivered to the school every Friday.

### **Bounty of Bethlehem**

Randy Hair / 828-693-5115

Volunteers prepare and serve a community meal on Christmas Day.

### **Feed the Kids**

Ann Pyles / 828-693-7149 / [mamapyles@yahoo.com](mailto:mamapyles@yahoo.com)

This group works as a team with other churches and groups in the community to prepare, transport, then serve meals to underfed children on rotating Friday afternoons at the Boys and Girls Club.

### **Feed Thy Neighbor**

Mary Reeves / 828-749-9809 / [reevesmary2@gmail.com](mailto:reevesmary2@gmail.com)

On the fourth Monday of every month volunteers prepare, transport, and serve a lunch for 60-80 homeless and hungry members of the community at the Church of the Nazarene.

### **Harvest Festival Dinner**

Royal Corbin / 828-698-9849 / [rforbin@morrisbb.net](mailto:rforbin@morrisbb.net)

Our church hosts a dinner for the entire community annually in October. Volunteers help to prepare, serve, participate and clean up for the annual Harvest Festival Dinner.

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## **Hunger Walk**

Janet Hendricks / 828-692-8645 / [gamecocknc@aol.com](mailto:gamecocknc@aol.com)

Volunteers coordinate and/or participate in the yearly September walk to raise money to provide food for the needy of Henderson County.

## **The Storehouse**

Lynn Staggs / 828-692-8300 / [lynn@storehouseonline.org](mailto:lynn@storehouseonline.org)

Distributes food and works with those in need.

## **Legal Initiatives**

### **Pisgah Legal Services**

Eleanor Ashton / 828-210-3443 / [eleanor@pisgahlegal.org](mailto:eleanor@pisgahlegal.org)

We are a nonprofit that provides free civil legal aid to the most vulnerable people in WNC: disadvantaged children, seniors, at risk families & domestic violence victims

## **Literacy Initiatives**

### **Blue Ridge Literacy**

Cindy Jefferson / 696-3811 / [info@litcouncil.org](mailto:info@litcouncil.org)

Volunteers tutor adults in English. Training materials are provided. Proficiency in a foreign language is not necessary.

## **Multi-Faceted Initiatives**

### **Council on Aging**

Wendy Lou Billings / 828-692-4203 / [wbillings@coahc.org](mailto:wbillings@coahc.org)

Helps seniors remain independent at home through programs such as Meals-on-Wheels.

### **Four Seasons Hospice**

Sheri Cagle / 828-692-6178 ext. 329 / [salewine@fourseasonscfl.org](mailto:salewine@fourseasonscfl.org)

Sigrun Mapes / 828-697-2900 / [TLMSMM99@morrisbb.net](mailto:TLMSMM99@morrisbb.net)

Volunteers serve at Elizabeth House delivering meals and providing support to patients and their families. They also provide supportive presence or socialization with patients in assisted living facilities.

### **Interfaith Assistance Ministries (IAM)**

Conrad Wrobel / [conrad.wrobel@iam-hc.org](mailto:conrad.wrobel@iam-hc.org) / 828-697-7029 ext 334

Christy Lowe / [christy.lowe@iam-hc.org](mailto:christy.lowe@iam-hc.org)

IAM supplies food, clothing, wood for heating fuel, financial assistance, and many other local services to qualifying persons in need.

### **Meals4Missions**

Anna Hicks / 828-290-4130 / [amhicks1217@gmail.com](mailto:amhicks1217@gmail.com)

Volunteers assist in cooking, packaging, and distributing meals purchased by the congregation and public. Proceeds from this program help fund local and international missions supported by FUMC.

### **Salvation Army**

Bill Bricker / 828-280-1163 / [bill.bricker@uss.salvationarmy.org](mailto:bill.bricker@uss.salvationarmy.org)

Volunteer opportunities include working at the Thrift Store, the after school and summer youth programs, the pantry, and with the Angel Tree and bell ringing holiday programs.

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## **Trauma Intervention Program of WNC (TIP)**

Rebecca Croft / [rebecca@tipofwnc.org](mailto:rebecca@tipofwnc.org)

Volunteers provide immediate emotional and practical support to survivors of traumatic events. They are called to emergency scenes by sheriff, police, firefighters and paramedics. Completion of an 8 week training course is required.

## **Youth Initiatives**

### **Big Brothers / Big Sisters**

Steve Kirkland / 828-693-8153 / [henderson@bbbswnc.org](mailto:henderson@bbbswnc.org)

A United Way organization that matches children (ages 6-14) from single-parent families with caring, adult mentors.

### **Cub Scouts / Boy Scouts / Girl Scouts**

*Cub Scouts* / Sandra Macklem / 828-277-7831 / [ncmg131221@live.com](mailto:ncmg131221@live.com)

*Boy Scouts* / Larry Harmon / [lharmon4@hotmail.com](mailto:lharmon4@hotmail.com)

*Girl Scouts* / Renee Casey / 828-698-2478 / [reneercasey@gmail.com](mailto:reneercasey@gmail.com)

Our church offers weekly scout meetings for members and the greater community.

### **Boys and Girls Club**

Ismael Martinez / (828) 693-9444 / [ismaelm@bgchendersonco.org](mailto:ismaelm@bgchendersonco.org)

Volunteer opportunities exist to tutor, mentor, provide homework assistance, coach/referee, or assist with one of many activities at the center.

### **Children and Family Resource Center**

Dawn Piscopo / 828-698-0674 ext. 100 / [dawnp@childrenandfamily.org](mailto:dawnp@childrenandfamily.org)

An organization that works to improve children's lives through parent education, quality child care resources, and leadership on children's issues. Opportunities to volunteer range from clerical to board membership, from special events planning to child care volunteer, and from Once Upon a Time story reader to resource library assistant.

### **Children's Gifting Party**

Sandy Hastie / 828-696-0703 / [hastiew60@gmail.com](mailto:hastiew60@gmail.com)

Donna Hastie / 828-696-0703 / [hastiedj@bellsouth.net](mailto:hastiedj@bellsouth.net)

This is an annual outreach event in conjunction with the Boys and Girls Club of Henderson County. Students come to the church in order to "shop" without money, for their primary caregivers. Volunteers collect donations, bake cookies, make goody bags, help with crafts, coordinate with the Boys and Girls club, set-up, decorate, clean-up, and serve as escorts.

### **Helping Hand Development Center**

Susan Deans / 828- 692-7068

Enrolls children from 2 to 5 years of age. Volunteers are needed to assist with music, art, story time, and other activities.

### **The Giving Tree**

Linda & Mike Williamson / 828-388-5483 / [mikeosulindaub@aol.com](mailto:mikeosulindaub@aol.com)

Volunteers receive needs of families from local schools, set up a tree with the giving tags, collect, and transport gifts back to schools. This program is part of the Blessings in Boxes program sponsored by The Storehouse.

### **Trunk or Treat**

Andrea Larsen / 828-699-0800 / [andrealarsen22@gmail.com](mailto:andrealarsen22@gmail.com)

Volunteers collect candy and organize communication about this yearly event which takes place in conjunction with downtown's Halloween celebration.