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WHO WE ARE

Help the Needy is a charitable, non-profit 501C(3) organization that since 1981 has been dedicated to helping people overcome difficulties not of their own making. These difficulties are usually the result of a shortage of money. The shortage of money can be caused by a great variety of problems including loss of job, transportation problems, medical problems, or family crisis. Help the Needy also advocates for the poor and at-risk at all levels.

Help the Needy has received a \$25,000 Daniels Fund grant to provide assistance to the disadvantaged in Teller County .

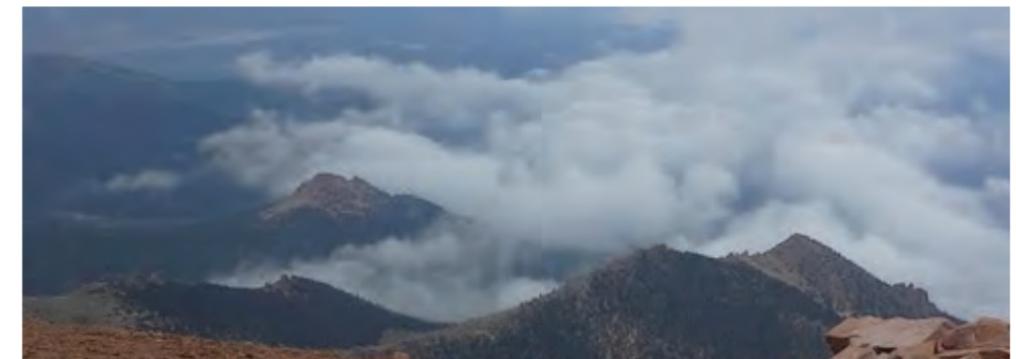
“The grant will enable Help the Needy to continue providing emergency assistance to those in need in our community,” said Charles Schroeder, Grant Writer.

Bill Daniels, a pioneer in cable television known for his kindness and generosity to those in need, established the Daniels Fund to provide grants and scholarships in Colorado, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. More information is available at www.danielsfund.org

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“This grant will go a long way in assisting us in meeting the needs of our clients for emergency services,” said Schroeder.

For further information about Help the Needy, call 719-687-7273, or see their Web site, www.htntc.org.



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Cruise Above The Clouds Fund Raiser for Help The Needy

Cruise Above The Clouds is having their 22nd Annual Car Show September 14th and 15th presented by Cripple Creek Mining Company and many other major sponsors. This is a two day event starting Saturday the 14th at 9:00AM in Woodland Park, and will continue later that day with a poker run to Cripple Creek. There will be many trophy presentations, as well as a Street Dance in Cripple Creek.

Help the Needy has been a participant in the Woodland Park portion of this event for five years with a food concession booth which sells doughnuts and coffee in the morning, and hamburgers, hot dogs, soft drinks and much more in the afternoon. All of the proceeds go to Help the Needy.

This has been a wonderful fund raiser each year for Help the Needy, and each year we have exceeded expectations. This has all been due to our wonderful volunteers who every year loyally help to make everything possible. We have many people who donate their time and money to Help the Needy to make all of this possible. We will be reporting back to everyone about this year's event in the next newsletter.

We look forward to seeing all of you at the show, and please bring your whole family. Remember to stop by our booth and help support Help the Needy.

Message from the President

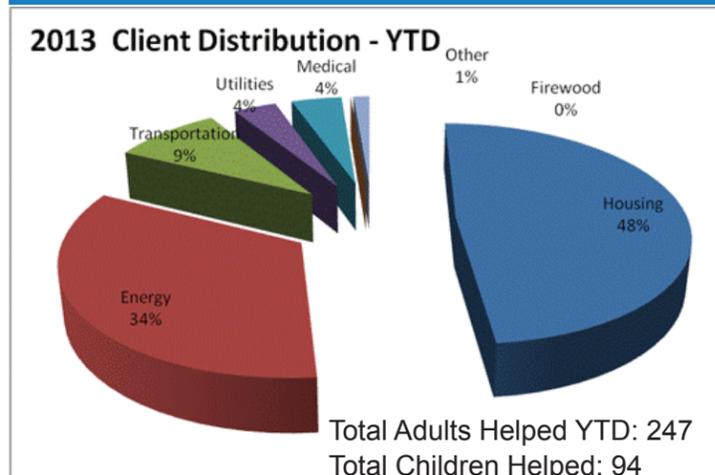


Summertime is a glorious time, especially in Teller County where the nights are cool, and the days are warm, and when we are lucky it is raining in the afternoons a couple of days a week.

Yet even in this ideal place and time people are still coming in to Help the Needy in need of assistance. Therefore, the doors are still open, the phones still need answering, and intake people are still needed for phone interviews, and interviewers are still needed to meet with individuals to give them good counsel and a loving ear to listen to their stories of need. Yes, even in this beautiful time of the year we are still helping people.

It's easy to forget that people still have problems in 70 degree weather, but they do, and Help the Needy still needs volunteers and contributions from people who have been blessed with abundance. Remember, the benefits for helping others and being a part of a community of people who have the heart to help are still there even in the summertime. A feeling of community and the benefits that come from forgetting your own problems as you concentrate on helping people with bigger problems are all part of God's payment for helping others.

So, enjoy the rest of your summer, and remember there are still people in need in our community even in the summer.



Leave a Legacy

Donating to charities and other non-profits is a great way to give back to the community or a charity you support. Donating appreciated stocks, bonds, or mutual funds instead of cash can provide even greater tax advantages to some investors. Folks who own stocks, bonds, or mutual funds, which have substantially increased in value over the years, and who make annual charitable contributions may want to consider donating their appreciated asset instead of cash. Donors should discuss this with their Financial Advisor and Tax Professional.



Your volunteer efforts with Help the Needy make a huge difference in the Teller County community. As happens each summer, some of our volunteers are taking time to play and visit family, creating the opportunity for others to step forward and contribute. We currently have the following openings:
Reception: Mondays and Thursdays, 4 hour shifts in the morning or afternoons.
We also need budget counselors two mornings a week or as your time will allow. This need is year-round. Please consider stepping forward to volunteer with us, or inviting others in your community to do so. RSVP to Teresa at tabmiceli@hughes.net. Thank You!

*“Even if it’s a little thing, do something for those who have need of a man’s help, something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it.
For remember, you don’t live in a world all your own. Your brothers are here too.”
- Albert Schweitzer*

Family In Need!

The Aspen Mine center has a client family “camping in the woods”. If you have or know of an RV or trailer that could be donated (tax deductible) for this family to live in, please let us know! RSVP to vinces@htntc.org



Message from the Executive Director

WHAT LIFE OFFERS US

I just read about a hedge fund billionaire whose son is a volunteer at a homeless shelter. The son WANTED to do this volunteer work and yet his father chided him, saying that people who volunteer at these shelters just cause the homelessness, and that if there were no volunteers, these homeless people would get off their butts and find work and not be homeless.

Gee, why didn't Greg Schilling think this way instead of starting Help the Needy? All those thousands of people our organization has helped over the last thirty-two years might have helped themselves if Greg, et. al., had just not helped them (Yes, my tongue is firmly planted in my cheek!).

We have all made choices in our lives - some good, others not so good. With few exceptions, life is not easy, even for the most fortunate of us, and we are continually tested. Will we do the right thing? Will we fail? There is so much in life that keeps us from doing what we'd really like to do. With perseverance and maybe with some luck we finally get to do what we really want to do, and given the chance, we have the opportunity to show our humanity.

Life offered Greg, and all of HtN's volunteers, the opportunity to help others – those who through no fault of their own needed a hand up. We have taken up the challenge to help those to whom Life has thrown a curve ball - to help them to at least swing and hit the ball, maybe for just a single, but maybe, just maybe for a home run. We volunteers are fortunate to be able to help others. This is what life offered us, and this is what we want to do.