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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.

No, this is not a plea for volunteers to join Help the Needy (although, we could use more). It is, rather, my reflections on why I volunteer and why I think it's important to help those in need. When I was a young boy, if we were lucky enough to take a cab home to the Bronx from our Brooklyn relatives' house late at night in winter (I hated the subway), we'd go through the Bowery section of the city where there were so many "bums" lying in the gutters and doorways. My father would point them out to me and say, "See those bums? That will be you if you don't get good grades." Yes, I was a poor student then, but my father's words didn't affect me the way he thought they would. I asked my mom why those men were in the gutters. She told me that they might be veterans of WWII and Korea who just couldn't get their lives back on track when they got home. Or they were out of work and had nowhere else to go. I wondered why no one was helping those men. The experience, which played out every time we drove home through the Bowery, affected me throughout my life. I knew that one day I would focus on helping people in need. My mom instilled in me the need to help others. When my sister and I were kids, very often my mom would hand us a cake she bought or made, and asked us to take it to old Mrs. Bushman at her apartment up the street. It was a simple gesture, but for me, it taught me to respect my elders and to be mindful of those less fortunate. Flash forward fifty years. After having a good career and helping to rear three children, I was finally able to focus on helping others. Help the Needy just happened to come along at the right time. As good as HtN is for our clients, that's how good it is for me. I think all volunteers, at HtN and at other non-profits, feel their assistance to others in their communities is good for their souls, as well as for their communities. There are so many worthy organizations with which one can volunteer; it's hard to choose the one best suited for you. I think the Wounded Warier Project, CASA and TESSA are very worthy non-profits. Any organization which helps veterans and abused women and children is one which should be considered. There are many more also in need of volunteers. Help the Needy is right for me. Perhaps it's right for you. Personally, I would find it difficult mentally to volunteer with the three others mentioned above. I guess what I've been babbling about really boils down to this: There are so many in need of help, yet there are so many in a position to help. Whatever we fortunate ones can do to make lives of those in need better, we should step up and do.

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Help the Needy would like to recognize the following Sweetheart Ball sponsors:

Platinum Sponsor: Gold Sponsor: Bronze Sponsors: Exostrategies Vanguard Skin Specialists Steve and Debbie Jeroslow Creative Providers Foundation

We very much appreciate the amazing generosity of these sponsors. Thank You!

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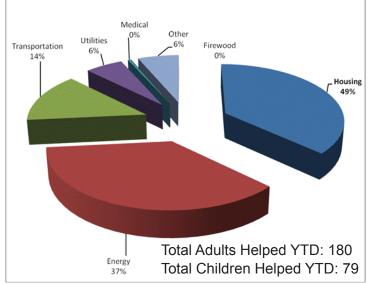
last year's ball. In addition to those mentioned above, there are so many volunteers we want to thank who made the evening such a success, especially our MC, Mike Perini; our auctioneers, Debbie and Bob Gorman; our flower arranger, Roxanne Tysdal; Chelli Gaskin; Bob Taylor; all those who donated items for the silent and live auctions; the many companies which purchased corporate tables; and so many more, too numerous to name here (see our half page Thank You in the Courier). Keep an eye out later this year for details regarding our 2015 Sweetheart Ball. We intend to make it the best ever!



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Help the Needy's fourth annual Sweetheart Ball did not disappoint. Thanks to a great team of volunteers led by Rose Carpenter, Linda Meier and Anne Mallett, the event had all 224 seats filled, and brought in much needed income to our organization. This income was, of course, due to the great attendance, but was also thanks to four sponsors who gave most generously. Once again, Vanguard Skin Specialists came through with a Gold Sponsorship. They are always so generous. Exostrategies, new to our community, stepped up in a big way with a Platinum Sponsorship. What a way to show their community involvement! Steve and Debbie Jeroslow, Help the Needy volunteers for many years, were so thoughtful with their Bronze Sponsorship. What great community members! Creative Partners Foundation kicked in with a Bronze Sponsorship. This local foundation's CEO wished to remain anonymous, and has been in the background since the foundation's donation. He will remain so. With dinner provided by none other than Neil Levy and his amazing Swiss Chalet restaurant, live and silent auctions, our famous teddy bear offering with jewelry by Vera Egbert and music by the local band, Suga Bear, the evening gave attendees the night they looked forward to since (continued on last page)

Congratulations Volunteers!

We thank all our volunteers who work tirelessly in their devotion to each other as well as to those in need who come to Help the Needy for assistance.



Volunteer of

the Year, 2013



Pete Tysdal Jeff Kuykendall Volunteer of the Volunteer of the 1st Quarter, 2014 4th Quarter, 2013

"To serve is beautiful, but only if it is done with joy and a whole heart and a free mind."

Pearl S. Buck (1892-1973) Writer, Nobel And Pulitzer Prize Winner



City Market Rewards for HtN

community rewards

Please register with City Market to

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Help the Needy currently has several volunteer positions available, which are critical to the day-today operations at HtN. Anyone seeking a rewarding volunteer opportunity and one that positively impacts our community is encouraged to contact Help the Needy at 719-687-7273:

Board President: Anyone interested in joining the board and/or acting as board president should contact Vince at 687-7273.

Client Intake: Takes detailed client data via telephone from the client. Completes intake form, communicates interview requirements to the client, and initiates the case file. 3.5 hours a week.

Interviewer: Conducts client interviews. Determines client needs, the type and extent of Help the Needy support, authorizes support, documents the interview session and completes the case file. The position involves communication with other private and public support services as well as businesses that may contribute to resolving client issues. Advises client regarding their situation and manages referrals. Prepares a client recovery plan. One day a month.

Receptionist/Administrative Support:

Initial contact with the client via telephone or office walk-in. Takes basic client data and schedule intake. Provides support during interview sessions. Provides general administrative support for the office. 3.5 hours a week.

If you are interested or know someone who you think might be interested, please contact Help the Needy at 687-7273 or Geoff Watson at 687-8836.

Message



from the

President

As many of you know, our board president, Bob Taylor, retired from his position last month. Bob gave Help the Needy five years of his valuable time, assisting us with everything from interviewing clients, fund raising, marketing and managing finances, to being a board member and then board president. Bob was always there for us whenever we needed his advice and input on any issue. We will miss Bob's strong commitment and his untiring efforts to assist Help the Needy to fulfill our mission of offering a hand up to those in need in our community. We wish Bob all the best. THANKS BOB!

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.