



# New Beginnings

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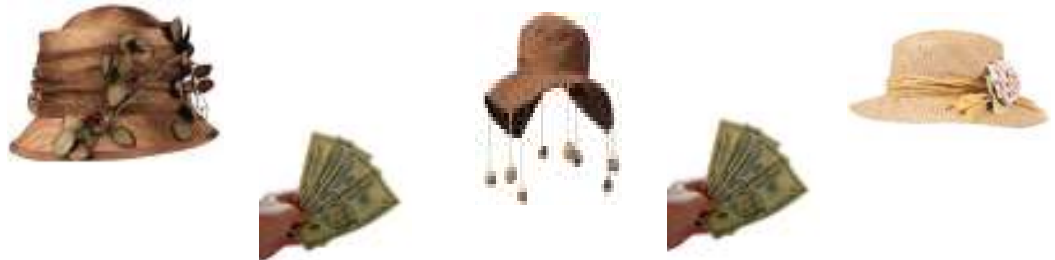
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## GCS Urgently Needs Your Support of the CASH BASH

Greetings! On the inside of this newsletter you will find an invitation to our annual CASH BASH and Hat Party, the MAJOR fundraiser of the year for GCS. The CASH BASH is a Reverse Drawing with a \$5,000 grand prize to the final ticket holder(s).

**This year your support is crucial!!** As the economic recession continues GCS faces a MAJOR budget shortfall which is causing serious cash flow challenges for the agency at a time when occupancy is at its highest sustained averages in 12 years. Over the past 18 months the agency has sustained an average occupancy of 65 persons per night, equating to an occupancy rate of greater than 80%. Simultaneous to the high demand, GCS has also been the recipient of declines in both grant and donation support. Executive Director, Lynne James states, "it is very demanding to operate a 24-hour facility with high demand when cash resources are scarce. It is my hope that you will seriously consider supporting this event – whether for the first time or as a repeater. Please consider being a sponsor or buying tickets. It is a fun and exciting way to help the homeless who have no place other than Greenville Community Shelters to call home."

**Now more than ever** it is vitally important that we are positioned to provide a haven for those without homes. Tickets are \$100, which admits 2 people to the event and entry into the \$5,000 drawing. Sponsorships are listed on the enclosure too. **PLEASE SUPPORT** the CASH BASH and help us continue to help others!



It is with sincere thanks and grateful appreciation that GCS extends a special thank you to the following supporters. Each of our "Friends of the Shelter" have made financial contributions of \$200 or more during 2009. Some of you pledged commitments while many of you have been supporters for multiple years, others were new contributors in 2009. To each of you we give special thanks because this helps us to plan the use of our financial resources and the delivery of services to our clients.

### **2009 "Friends of the Shelter"**

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**Thanks**

We would like to say THANK YOU to everyone that has donated any of your time and efforts in 2009-2010. From Club Rudolph participants, donations of Easter baskets, can food drives, supply drives, re-decorating of our children's lounge, Christmas donations, Christmas buffet participants, clean up day at the shelter, and all monetary donations. Without you we would not be able to continue to serve the community; Again Thank you all.

### Supply Drive Shelter facility Care Needs

Clorox Bleach  
Toilet Tissue  
Styrofoam: Cups & Bowls  
Laundry Detergent-  
Paper Towels  
Towels & Wash Cloths  
Aluminum Foil  
44-45 Gallon Garbage Bags  
Blankets (gently used)  
Lysol Spray  
Lysol Wipes  
Dish liquid  
Cleaning Supplies

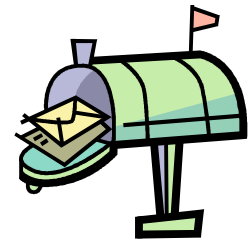
**Thanks**

Reyvin Siegel has been a scout since the age of age 8. for his Eagle Scout project he completed a supply drive for us that will allow him to get his Eagle Scout badge. In this drive he collected an enormous amount of products that we were in need of. He collected paper products, laundry supplies, cleaning supplies, and personal care items. Reyvin chose to do this project because of his concern for the homeless and the significant shortage of supplies the agency has experience due to the recession We are very thankful to Reyvin and the team of individuals and businesses he recruited we take our hats off for a job well done.

Help save tress.....



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#### Quote of the day:

"Never be bullied into silence.

Never allow yourself to be made a victim.

Accept no one's definition of your life; define yourself."

-Harvey Fierstein

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*The mission of the Greenville Community Shelters is to serve the poor and homeless in a continuum of care from basic shelter to prevention that empowers clients to achieve and maintain lives of self-sufficiency.*



Community Partner

Emergency Assistance Ministry

P.O. Box 687

Greenville, NC 27835

252.551.9112

Operating Hours:

10am-1:00pm - Mon-Thurs.

10am-12pm - Friday

*The mission of the Emergency Assistance Ministry (EAM) of the Greenville Community Shelters is to show compassion by assisting in providing for the basic human needs of Pitt County residents in emergency situations. Recipients are expected to participate in programs which promote disciplined, responsible living.*