

## Remembering CFR, Supporting Families

CFR was honored recently to be remembered in the will of a long-time donor. A committed supporter, giving \$25 to \$100 each year for more than a decade, this donor remembered that it doesn't take a large gift to make an impact in the lives of the families CFR serves each day.

Making a planned gift has never been easier or more important as the services CFR provides are becoming ever critical for our neighbors, friends and colleagues.

If you wish to remember CFR, please consider:

- A bequest in your will or living trust;
- A life insurance gift;
- A retirement account gift;
- A charitable remainder trust;
- A charitable gift annuity; or
- A gift of current assets or appreciated securities.

## CFR VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT

When medical injuries forced him into early retirement from park maintenance with the City of Atlanta, Gene Justice, 62, still had a passion for work and wanted to find a place to contribute his time and talent. After being referred to CFR by a family doctor, Justice and his wife visited the Mansour Center to find out more about getting involved as a volunteer.

**“Being able to volunteer is a reward.”**

In January 2009, Justice began volunteering with the Mansour Center two to four days each week providing assistance with special events, including beverage service, washing dishes, and cleaning tablecloths.



*Justice lends a helping hand to Mansour Center staff as the center business grows.*

Justice, shy and soft-spoken makes a significant contribution each month and has given 225 hours of service in his first six months as a Mansour Center volunteer.

“I enjoy whatever I do... Justice said. I do whatever needs to be done, being able to volunteer is a reward.”

Thank you to Gene for his support of the Mansour Center, its staff and the mission of CFR! Interested in volunteering at CFR? Contact us to find out more!

## SUPPORT CFR

As times get tougher for each of us, the challenge of making ends meet becomes greater for many families in Cobb County. There are many ways to get involved with CFR!

- Make a Monetary Donation
- Host a Food Drive
- Become a GED Tutor
- Become a Food Pantry Volunteer
- Become an Intake Volunteer
- Adopt An Apartment
- Rent a room at the Mansour Center
- GED Scholarships

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to find out more!



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Dear Friend,

As our 50th year quickly approaches, plans are coming together to celebrate the impact CFR has made on on this community's families year after year. CFR's mission to 'offer a hand-up, not a hand out,' makes this organization truly unique and with five decades under our belt, we can proudly say, without hesitation, **CFR changes lives.**

As we approach this golden milestone, we say Thank You to you - our supporters, friends, neighbors and community leaders. We would not be the organization we are today without your support. Your continued support allows CFR staff and volunteers to further empower families to find solutions to break the cycle of poverty, improve their lives and create a positive outlook for the future.

In an effort to keep you posted on your investment, you can review our second quarter highlights on the next page. We promise to continue to be good stewards of your support by providing programs and services that really matter.

**Thank you for sharing our vision.**

Warm Regards,

Larry Terry, Board Chair 2009

Jeri Barr, CEO

### I want to help a family become stronger!

Enclosed is my tax-deductible gift of : \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Please charge this gift to my (circle one) :    AMEX            DISC            MC            VISA

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Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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I would like to remember CFR. Please contact me regarding a planned gift.

## 2nd Quarter Highlights

- 4,332 walk-in and phone call families and individuals assisted.
- Assisted 139 families with rent or utility payments, totaling \$114,951.05.
- Fed 532 households, 1,485 people with food from the food pantry.
- 55,527 pounds of food given out from the food pantry.
- 6 families exited CFR's Short-Term Housing Program – 83% had a positive exit.
- 7 persons exited CFR's Transitional Housing Program – 86% had a positive exit.
- CFR's Adopt An Apartment Program was supported by GE Energy, Solvay Pharmaceuticals and the Lindell DeJarnett Sunday School Class of First United Methodist Church of Marietta.
- Student participants and mentors of the CFR Mentoring Program served meals at St. Francis Table in Atlanta.



### CFR BOWLING FUNDRAISER 'BUILDS HOPE ONE PIN AT A TIME'



On Saturday, June 27, the Center for Family Resources hosted its first 10 Pin Challenge Corporate/Adult Bowling Tournament Fundraiser. The event was held at Brunswick Zone Lanes located on Delk Road in Marietta and welcomed 20 teams from local businesses, civic groups, churches and neighborhood associations. Guests enjoyed food, prizes, 50/50 raffle and cash bar and helped CFR raise over \$7,000!

Congratulations to the 10 Pin Challenge winners!

1st Place  
**The Repro Incredibowlers**  
of Repro Products

2nd Place  
**The Clutch Finish Rollers**  
of Chatman, Knowles and Sigler Families

3rd Place  
**The Color Splitters**  
of The Color Spot

Best Team Name  
**'Split Happens'**  
of Marietta Board of Lights and Water

THANK YOU TO OUR 10 PIN CHALLENGE SPONSORS!

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Sweet Southern Tees

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 2nd ANNUAL 10 PIN CHALLENGE:  
Saturday, June 26, 2010

## One Man's Journey

In just a few months time, Stephen Holland, 36, went from watching the news about the declining job market and the unemployment rate to experiencing the crisis firsthand. Holland found himself unable to make ends meet and came to CFR seeking financial assistance with his rent. Despite holding both a Bachelor's of Science degree and a Master's of Public Administration, Holland has struggled to find stable employment, having been laid off from two jobs in the last 18 months.

After working with CFR case managers, Holland received assistance with June rent and food from the CFR pantry. He was also granted access to the CFR Job Lab where he was able to further refine and update his resume, job search on the internet and work with volunteers on interviewing skills.

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I am."*

"The assistance from CFR has been such a blessing, Holland said. I can't tell you how appreciative I am."

Through the struggle, Holland continued a diligent job hunt, having given the interview for this feature enroute to a job interview. "All things considered, I am doing well, Holland said. I attribute it all to my faith - its coming from Him. He lead me to CFR - I believe that. It's meant alot - what CFR is doing is great."



Stephen Holland worked with CFR Direct Services case managers to set goals for success in the weeks and months to come as he goes back to work and begins school.

Holland, an inspiring optimist continues to plan for his future and will begin a Master of Public Policy at Georgia State in 2010. Just before this newsletter went to print, Holland alerted CFR case managers he has been offered two part-time employment opportunities and should be able to pursue his education as planned. CFR case managers will continue to follow-up with Holland at three and six month intervals to offer support as he gets back



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