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Summit Heights United Methodist
Trinity World Outreach Center
and the
Fern Creek/Highview Ministerial
Association

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Ron's Ramblings: execdir@fchum.org

The first six months of 2007 have been rough on me personally. I was diagnosed with sleep apnea, severely broke my wrist requiring surgery and physical therapy, and underwent nose surgery for a deviated septum. Beyond the physical pain and discomfort there were bills with which to deal. Thankfully, I have a good job that provides health insurance, but even then there are co-pays, deductibles and percentages of patient responsibilities. So even with a good job the bills start coming in faster than they can be paid; it becomes a challenge. What then of our brothers and sisters who work where there are no health benefits? As the bills accumulate, maybe the mortgage or rent doesn't get paid, or maybe the utilities are pushed back?

That is where our Individual & Family Assistance Center steps in. Fern Creek Highview United Ministries' social workers Renee and Jana, along with their dedicated cadre of volunteers with warm smiles and caring hearts maximize our meager funds by obtaining funds from other agencies and resources. Recently we heard the story of a young single mother who found herself alone and homeless here in Louisville. With our help she found a home, furnishings, food, a job, diapers for her baby and respect. She is now in her own home, working and hasn't needed assistance in over a year; she has actually made donations to help others now that she is back on solid footing. Praise God!

When we enter our new facility, hopefully by the end of this year, we will be even better equipped to make use of available resources to provide assistance, education, and support to our neighbors in need. With your support and God's blessings, Fern Creek Highview United Ministries does make a difference every day!

*God's Peace & Blessings,
Rev. Ron Loughry*



SUMMER BENEFIT CONCERT



GLORYBOUND & FRIENDS

Sunday, August 19th, 6:00 pm
Fern Creek United Methodist Church
6727 Bardstown Road

Offering to benefit Fern Creek Highview United Ministries

Fern Creek/ Highview United Ministries Programs

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY ASSISTANCE CENTER -

*Renee Bryant, MSW,
Director*

“A father for the fatherless, and a protector for the widows...God makes a home for the homeless...Blessed be the Lord, who daily bears our burden...”(Ps 68)

Promises broken, dreams shattered, the young mother found herself and children deserted and homeless.

Thanks to our assistance, St. Gabriel’s St. Vincent de Paul Society, and others she has a home, furniture, food diapers. She has a job and is supporting herself and her children. Perhaps just as important she has found friends and support. As God’s people, we are called to manifest God’s love to our neighbors, our brothers and sisters. Each day our doors open to the needs of our community, each day we lift the burdens of those seeking assistance. We do this remembering that “as we do this for the least... we do so for our Lord.” Please call Renee or Jana at 762-0630 or e-mail at ifacdir@fchum.org A spiritual blessing awaits you!

HEALTH EQUIPMENT LOAN PROGRAM (HELP)

For more information call 239-7431. Tanks to Fern Creek Space Center for donating storage unit .

FAMILIES IN TRANSITION

A court ordered program for all couples with children under 18, undergoing divorce, designed to enhance parents sensitivity to the special needs of their children. Sessions take place at Summit Heights United Methodist Church. For more information call Renee Bryant, 762-0630.

**WELCOME
NEW MEMBER
CHURCH**

**Fairmount Baptist
9811 Independent School Rd
Pastor: Dr. Glenn Nowell
Worship Leader: Jim Fisher**

Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries is a not-for-profit 501 C 3 organization and all donations are tax deductible. IFAC is funded in part by Louisville/Jefferson County Metro government. The ADC is funded in part under a contract with KIPDA and the Commonwealth of Kentucky, Cabinet of Health & Family Services with funds from the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services and with funds from Louisville/Jefferson County Metro Government.

ADULT DAY HEALTH CENTER –

Rev. Ron Loughry, Director

“The Lord will be a stronghold in times of trouble” – Psalm 9

The words of the hymn” You Are Mine” reassure us that we don’t have to be afraid, God is with us, God has called us by name and will bring us home. Each day at the ADC our staff and volunteers become instruments of God’s reassurance to our participants and their families. One daughter whose mother attends recently shared that she knows her mom is alive today because of the ADC and is so thankful to all of the churches for their support. A husband whose wife often asks, Who are you?, replies to her “I’m your husband and I love you” told us that the ADC brightens her day but also comforts him because he knows our staff and volunteers lovingly care for his wife and provides him the rest he needs to keep her living at home. A participant shared, “Without the ADC I’d be in a nursing home because my daughter has to work.” The ADC has volunteer openings for caring people. To visit or volunteer just call Ron at 239-7431 or e-mail at execdir@fchum.org

Blessings await!

LOUISVILLE METRO GOVERNMENT FUNDING SUPPORT

During this past fiscal year 2006-2007 FCHUM received Metro funds to supplement our IFAC program and our Adult Day Center services, and the second \$15,000 installment in a \$30,000 pledge from our three councilmen (*Thanks Robin Engel, James Peden, & Stuart Benson*) toward our Building to Serve project. Councilman Engel also secured an additional \$55,000 for our new facility! The lunches provided at our Adult Day Center are made possible through the **Metro Nutrition Program**. Please be sure to acknowledge this help to our officials whenever possible and to encourage continued support. Looking forward into this new fiscal year of 2007-2008.....

We still have COOKBOOKS available.

Almost 500 recipes in an attractive hardback, 3 ring vinyl binder. Just \$10 each!

The best recipes from all the best church cooks!

Great gift ideas for birthdays, weddings, graduations, housewarmings, and collectors!

While they last receive a free U.S. Capital Cookies Recipe book with each purchase.

MONTHLY CHICKEN DINNERS

Start smackin' your lips, the monthly chicken dinners start again on Sunday, September 9th at St. Ignatius on Rangeland Rd. The EAGLES AC have changed their name, now called Innominate Charities, Inc. but it is the same great chicken. Remember each year they give the Adult Day Center a very generous grant! See you there!

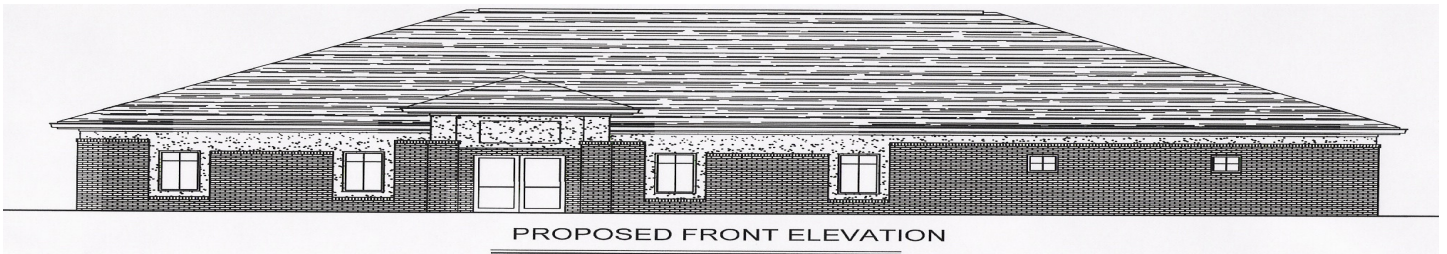
G. E. MATCHING FUNDS

Calling all G.E. employees, retirees, and families! If you qualify for this program your dollars can be doubled! Your donation of \$25 or more will be matched by G.E. You must call 1-800-305-0669 or go to www.gefoundation.com and click on "matching gift program" and follow prompts to register. Help us contact other G.E. people and enlarge our G.E. Circle of Friends. Think of all the folks in our area who have connections to G.E. Especially as we build our new FACILITY this could make a tremendous difference

Since last July FCHUM has received \$19,490 in matching funds from G.E. !

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP: Respond to Wish Lists...Use our **Thornton** Fund Cards, **Kroger** Gift Cards. Designate donations to **Goodwill** to benefit our IFAC office...Designate FCHUM in **Wills, Bequests, and Memorials**...**G.E. Employees** participate in our Matching Funds program...Recycle computer ink cartridges...Support and Attend special events like our Annual GALA, picnics, festivals, and benefit concerts. **Volunteer!** And most importantly-keep Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries in your prayers! **For more information call our office 239-7407 or visit our website www.fchum.org**

BUILDING TO SERVE

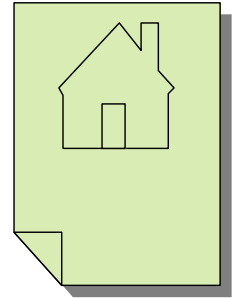


Cost

\$450,000.00 with future development as needed.

Funding

- Capital Campaign to raise **\$350,000.00**
- Over \$200,000 cash donations & seed money received!
- Additional pledges committed
- Over \$100,000.00 in-kind gifts and services already committed
- Church, Civic, Business, Government, and Community Partnerships
- Naming Opportunities available for Food Pantry, Conference Room, Service Areas
- Memory and In Honor Bricks in the near future



The Capital Campaign: What It Will Take

1 gift at...	\$350,000
4 gifts at...	\$100,000
7 gifts at...	\$ 50,000
14 gifts at...	\$ 25,000
35 gifts at...	\$ 10,000
70 gifts at...	\$ 5,000
140 gifts at...	\$ 2,500
350 gifts at...	\$ 1,000



And many more of varying amounts, all important to our cause...

Contributions may be sent to Fern Creek/Highview United Ministries, "Building to Serve" Capital Campaign, 7502 Tangelo Drive, Louisville, KY 40228. For more information call (502) 239-7407

OPPORTUNITIES TO HELP: COMPUTER * IT TEAM* - GOD'S GEEK SQUAD!

The broad scope of our ministries now require us to rely on computers more than ever, actually they make our work load lighter when everything is working the way it should. But there are times when glitches and malfunctions occur. We have been blessed with a couple of volunteers on whom we call when in need. As we move into our new facilities our network will be larger, yet more efficient, but we need to prepare to meet increasing technical needs. We want to establish a **Volunteer IT Team** and are looking for people from our churches and community with both hardware and software expertise willing to be on call when a problem arises. This Team might also meet to assess our current situation and anticipate

CALL OUR OFFICE 239-7407

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU

Unfortunately, in this newsletter we don't have room to list every single donor to the Fern Creek Highview United Ministries' **BUILDING TO SERVE CAMPAIGN** we do, however want to publicly thank some major contributors:

Bob & Henrietta Beard, Larry & Donna Clark, Mike & Tammy Hayes, St. Gabriel Men's Club, Louis & Patricia Leppert, Norm Hatter, Robert Shelley, Kenneth & Stephen Remmers DMD's, James & Virginia Gregory, Mike Blackter, Mike Kirkland, John & Donna Rouse, Ed & Monica Dries, Ratterman & Sons, Jim & Joyce Keene, Mary Ellen & Charlie Hamlet, Phil Akers, David & Inez White, Joseph & Christine Downs, Calvin Zehnder, Dorothy Thomas, Neil & Edith Hanna, Fran & Joe Fox, Patricia & Albert Baete, James Espe, Roger & Linda Roalofs, Robin & Diana Engel, Aaron & Jana Pedowitz, Glenn & Dawn Hall, Cheston & Donna Hammonds, RLS Enterprises..

Also member churches that have made gifts above and beyond their regular budget support: Cedar Creek Baptist, Highview Baptist, St. Gabriel Catholic, St. Stephen Lutheran. Of course we are also grateful to St. Bernard Catholic for over 17 years of providing space rent-free for the Adult Day Center, to Fern Creek Baptist for providing our first space for the ministry and the Emergency Assistance Center (again rent-free), and finally Beulah Presbyterian for graciously leasing our new property to us for just \$1.00 a year!

RECEIVE YOUR Fern Creek Highview United Ministries NEWSLETTER BY E-MAIL!

Our newsletter can now be delivered directly to your e-mail address.

Approximately 5 times a year, you will receive this newsletter electronically and save a few trees. Just e-mail execdir@fchum or call 239-7407 to make the switch.

ATTENTION CHURCHES: Fern Creek Highview United Ministries needs assistance with bulk mailing. Do you have volunteers who could lend a hand? Please contact Connie, our Administrative Assistant at 239-7407 or adm@fchum.org . We also need volunteers willing to help with folding, collating and other office tasks. The Adult Day Center also has need of volunteers on Wednesday and Friday afternoons, call Ron at 239-7431 or execdir@fchum.org . Thank

*****BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLIES*****

Help FCHUM prepare students for school!

We need all school supplies in by August 1st!

Pencils/erasers	writing tablets	folders -
highlighters	(grade 1,2,&3)	(brads or pockets)
hand sanitizer	Spiral notebooks	wide rule note
markers	steno notebooks	book paper
Paper towels	glue sticks	zip-lock bags
colored pencils	crayons	(quart/gallon)
facial tissues	(8 or 16 count)	scissors
Pens(black red blue)	composition books	(Fiskars preferred)
backpacks	notebook dividers	calculators

Contact Renee for more information at 762-0630 or ifacdir@fchum.org

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