

Success!

This is Cherrelle, one of our program participants. Cherrelle came to us while attending MedQuest College to get her LPN. <u>She graduated earlier this</u> <u>year.</u>

- Since her graduation, she has started her new job as a nurse at Signature Healthcare.
- Her new job made it possible for her to move into a nicer home, in a better neighborhood.
- Cherrelle's story is one that we hope all of our single parents can claim; through hard work, with a little support, they can build a better life for themselves and their children.
- Her children saw how hard she worked, and how much it has paid off. Congratulations Cherrelle!

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Back-to-School

This year we were able to provide backpacks, school supplies, clothing and shoes to 28 school aged children! <u>Thank you so much</u> to our amazing sponsors, and to <u>Compass Christian Church & Liberty</u> <u>Federal Credit Union</u> for their help with supplies. Also, a big thank you to the Shoe Carnival on Hurstbourne Lane for hosting the event!

Volunteer Spotlight Donna Melhorn

"I was interested in SPARC Hope ever since they started out of Northeast, 20 years ago. When I retired, and actually had some free time, I decided to come volunteer. I was a single mom for a long time and my daughter was a single mom for a while. It feels really good to be able to help other single parents."

Donna has been volunteering with us all year and has been an amazing addition to the team! **<u>Thank you, Donna!</u>**

NECC Food Drive

Northeast Christian Church held a food drive in June as a part of their "Love the 'Ville" outreach program. They distributed over 200 grocery bags to their congregation, with a needs list stapled to the front. We were thrilled when a box truck pulled up with enough groceries to fill our entire conference room. SPARC Hope received 1,809 items, including nonperishable foods, personal care items, and some MUCH-needed cleaning supplies. These items totaled to an estimated \$9,818.00! Thank you SO much to Northeast and their congregation

for their continued support of SPARC Hope & helping us stock our pantry for our single parents!



UPCOMING EVENTS



August 23rd is our annual Breakfast of Champions fundraiser. This year we have added a bonus Networking Time! Come hear more about SPARC Hope, how you can get involved, and meet with other businesses! This is a free event, but we do have Vendor Tables available for purchase for our time of networking. Contact Jennifer at jennifer@sparc-hope.org



Give for Good Louisville takes place on September 14th, and this is the largest local giving day of the year! This event is put on by the Community Foundation of Louisville and is social media driven. Our goal this year is to raise \$25,000. So, how can you help?

- You can start by following us on social media. Our posts will announce the best times to donate in order to win prizes and include the link to donate.
- Do you have a large social media following? You would be a perfect "Peer Fundraiser". This is when you share our fundraising page with your own personal network; this helps widen our reach.
- Matching funds. Ask your company if they would become a matching sponsor. This is the best way to ensure we reach our goal, and you can get your company featured across several platforms!
 For more information contact Cassie at cassie@sparc-hope.org.

SPARCHOPE HOUSE PARTIES

WINE TASTING





Do you like to entertain? How would you like to host your own 'Party with a Purpose' to benefit SPARC Hope!? You can collect items for our pantry, and funds to support single parents, sharing a cause that's important to you with the people that are important to you. This is a fun way to introduce SPARC Hope to your friends, neighbors, family, etc. We have listed a few ideas above, but please, make this your own! If you would like help making invitations or evites, we would love to assist you.

Interested? Contact Jennifer at 502-245-9899 or Jennifer@sparc-hope.org for more information.

BECOME A SPARC SUPPORTER

POOLSIDE PARTY

JOIN OUR COMMUNITY OF MONTHLY DONORS WHO ARE BREAKING THE POVERTY CYCLE IN SINGLE PARENT HOMES.

From August 1st - September 30th

SMILEY'S GAS STATION ON NEWBURG ROAD WILL DONATE 1 CENT FOR EVERY GALLON OF GAS SOLD.

CONNECT WITH US

Smiley's

The best way to keep up with SPARC Hope is to follow us on social media. Every week you get updates on current clients, upcoming events, pantry/volunteer needs, & we even highlight some of our amazing supporters.

Now you can get to all of our social media platforms in one place. Check out our Linktree <u>here</u>.

<u>Want to make an impact!?</u> Something that can really help SPARC Hope would be to give us a Google review, you can do so <u>here.</u>

