

Year in Review



2013



Serving Our Neighbors in Need™

33,892

Men,
women and
children
served



Continually challenged to help more and more of North Atlanta area's growing poverty population, MUST Ministries is now serving in eight counties and reaching nearly 34,000 people a year. Almost half of MUST's clients are children. MUST has been a beacon of help and hope for 44 years.



190,381

Caring
volunteer
hours



The incredible number of volunteer hours is attributed to 6,000 people who care deeply and serve with compassion. A volunteer-driven organization, MUST is an effective outreach, thanks to community members throughout North Georgia who give of their money, time and talent to benefit those in need.

81,734

Meals Served Daily



The Loaves and Fishes Community Kitchen on the Elizabeth Inn campus is newly transformed. A larger, better organized kitchen, new appliances, two new bathrooms, an enlarged lobby and fresh paint transformed the area that serves about 300 meals a day.



57,251

Housing nights



Safety is the first step to stability. MUST provides secure nights of rest at the Elizabeth Inn, permanent supportive housing, veteran's supportive housing and affordable community housing.

393

Found Employment



Clients found employment with assistance from MUST, resulting in more than \$6.5 million in gross income returning to the community in a year. MUST's Employment Services provides resume writing, interview skills, industry-specific training, budgeting classes and much more... all free of charge to help people find employment and provide independence and dignity.



21 degrees

Gobble Jog



Nov. 27 was the coldest day on record in the last 100 years on Thanksgiving Day. Despite the temperature, MUST managed to exceed past years in raising valuable dollars to help those living in poverty. Corporate sponsors, race entries and individuals who raised support made the event a significant lifeline for your neighbors in need.



An exciting new approach to stabilizing our most vulnerable neighbors was pursued throughout 2013. MUST Marketplace, a thrift store open to the public, launched in early 2014 to broaden MUST's client services. Located in 4,600-sq.-ft at 1407 Cobb Parkway North, Marietta, the shop helps sustain and enhance existing programs.

4,600 sq. ft.
Sustainability



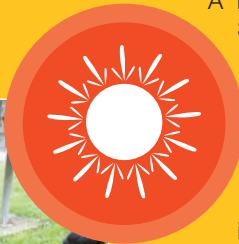
Children
blessed at
Christmas 3,161



The annual MUST Toy Shops in Cherokee and Cobb counties provided blankets, hats, scarves, gloves, toys, stocking stuffers, family games, books, school supplies and even wrapping paper. Hundreds of volunteers helped by donating items, setting up the shops, giving money and helping in the store. A Secret Santa Shop gave children time to select a gift for a parent.



247,087 Summer Lunch



A monumental effort, MUST's Summer Lunch program served about 5,000 children a day in eight counties. Almost a quarter of a million sack lunches reached hungry children in the 18th year of meeting this tremendous need.

Thousands of volunteers made sandwiches, packed lunches, checked sacks, drove lunches to sites, gave supplies, donated money and partnered in a host of ways to be sure children would not go hungry.



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Shelter Redecorated



The Women and Children's program of the Elizabeth Inn is home to 24 residents at any given time. New paint, rugs, bedding, furniture, cribs, lamps, drapes, pillows and more transformed the area, thanks to a host of project volunteers who donated every item and put it in place.



149,248

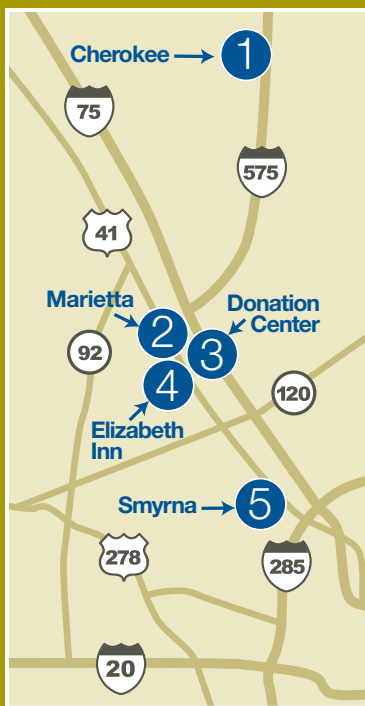
Clothing



From interview clothes to baby sleepers, MUST provides clothing to those in need to help meet the basics of daily life. School clothes, coats, blankets, new socks and underwear are all part of how MUST served 19,136 unduplicated clients who came to our four clothes closets.

**"I was living in an abusive relationship
without any family support.**

I left the abuser and stayed in a motel for a week, but when my money was gone, I moved into the woods and lived in a tent. I decided to come into the MUST Elizabeth Inn shelter and admitted to my case manager there that I felt overwhelmed and worried about living on her own and paying rent. With encouragement, I finished all of the Back to Work classes through MUST's Employment Services staff and volunteers. They taught me how to complete a resume, job search on the computer and locate safe housing. I found full-time employment and secured a one bedroom apartment in Cobb County!" **- A Grateful Client**



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