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December 2022

Dear *{{Informal Name}}*,

It's the most wonderful time of the year and yet can be the hardest time of the year for the youth living here at the Home. Being separated from loved ones, being with people you may or may not know very well, and inflated expectations can make the holidays a hard time to cope.

Fortunately, we are surrounded by a wonderful village who work hard to make spirits bright and holidays special for our teens! From helping provide items on the kids' wishlists to providing much-needed items for our team to provide the best care for them, YOU, our community, has wrapped their arms around us once again. With new kids arriving up until Christmas, we have some items we need before Christmas Eve. See below where you can help!

Thank you to everyone who has been part of preparing the Home for the holidays and bringing the magic of Christmas to campus!

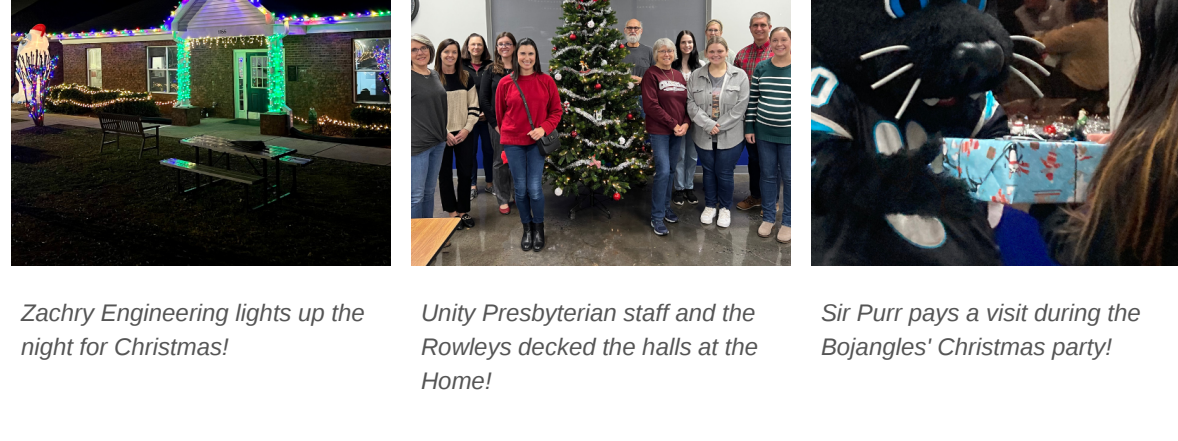
If you're still looking for ways to support the Home now and after the New Year, check out our current needs section below!



Good Shepherd Church hosted "Thanks a Brunch" in November to appreciate our team!

Creative Kids in Lake Wylie collect items for a giving tree!

Carowinds Cares delivers a "sleigh" of wishlist goodies!



Zachry Engineering lights up the night for Christmas!

Unity Presbyterian staff and the Rowleys decked the halls at the Home!

Sir Purr pays a visit during the Bojangles' Christmas party!

URGENT NEEDS: Christmas Gifts for Kids

We need your help!

We have had three new teens come to live at the Home before Christmas, and we need your help providing their presents for Christmas morning and a few supplies for Christmas Eve! Please click below to help us meet these needs as soon as possible:

Kids' Wishlists

Thank you for any help you can provide!

The Good Stuff

Every day, our youth are working hard toward their goals. The community provides half of the Home's budget and resources - our mission would not be possible without you!

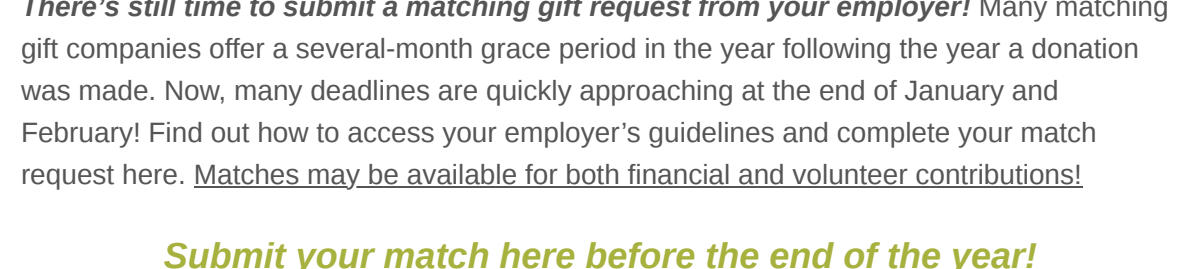
Here are some of the "wins" made possible last month:

- Eliza* has three more classes to complete and is on track to graduate early in January!
- After struggling with her classes earlier in the year, Janet* will graduate in January! She is also preparing to move into an apartment and take her next steps to independence!
- Dani* and Kyia* are conditioning to prepare for track in the spring.
- Jordan* achieved his goal of earning his drivers license and is getting close to reaching his savings goal for a car!
- Currently, six of our teens and young adults are working, and have collectively saved over \$26,000 from their paychecks!
- Several teens had the opportunity to volunteer at Operation Christmas Child and help fill shoeboxes!
- Over the last few months, other groups of teens were able to attend the Christmas Parade in Charlotte, their first high school football games, and Tiger World!

Your support changes what's possible for these youth. Thank you!

*Details are changed to protect the confidentiality of the youth, but the stories are real accomplishments you make possible! To make the good stuff possible, consider giving today.

Have you donated this year? Does your company have matching gifts?



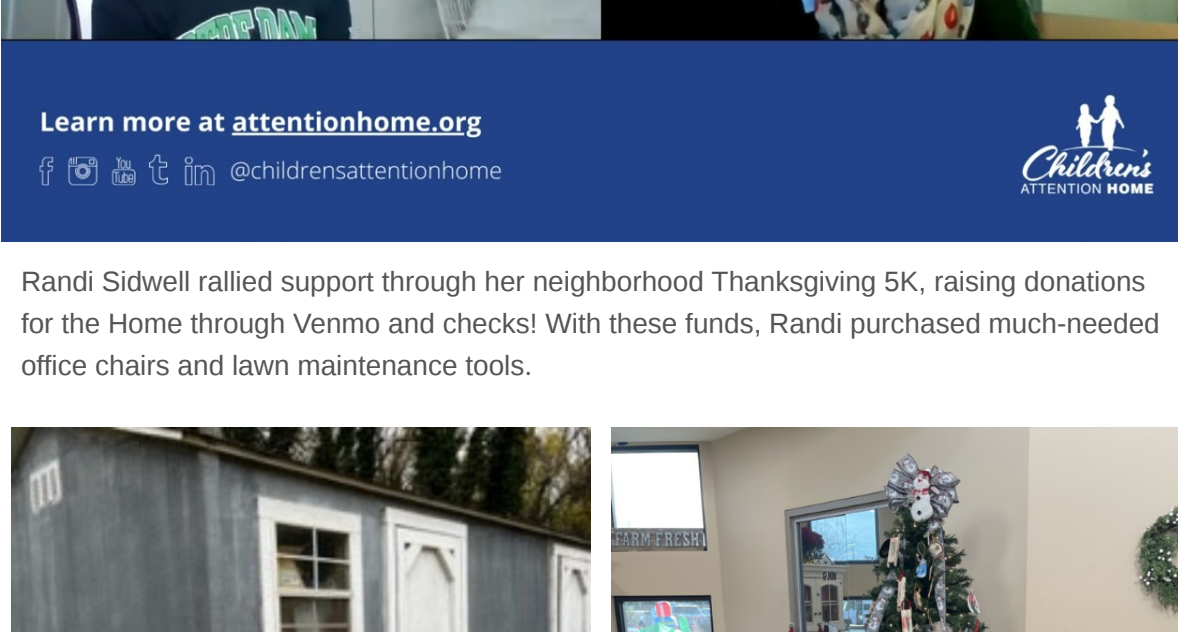
There's still time to submit a matching gift request from your employer! Many matching gift companies offer a several-month grace period in the year following the year a donation was made. Now, many deadlines are quickly approaching at the end of January and February! Find out how to access your employer's guidelines and complete your match request here. Matches may be available for both financial and volunteer contributions!

Submit your match here before the end of the year!

Will your donation double?

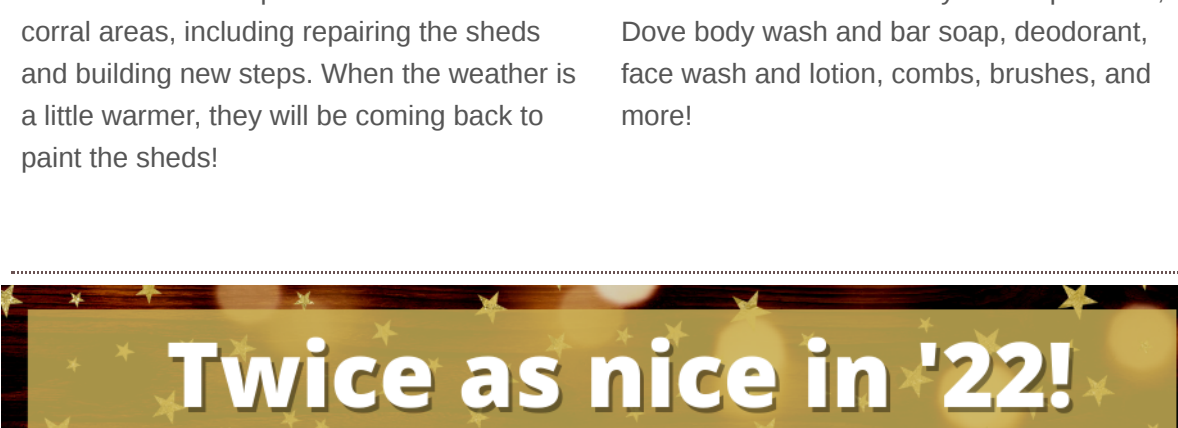
Kids Helping Kids

Throughout the year, the Home is blessed not only by adults who step in to provide much-needed support, but also kids looking to give back and make a difference! Here are just a few of the incredible stories of support made possible by children and youth in our community.



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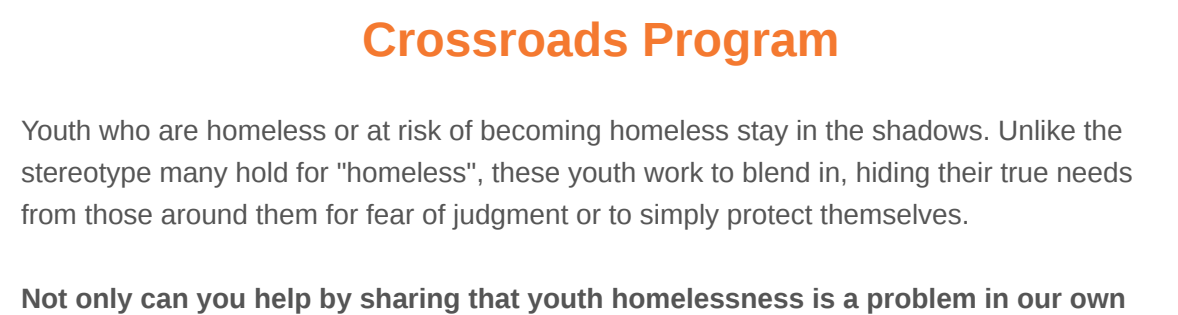
Randi Sidwell rallied support through her neighborhood Thanksgiving 5K, raising donations for the Home through Venmo and checks! With these funds, Randi purchased much-needed office chairs and lawn maintenance tools.



Just recently, Emily Madewell chose the Home as her Eagle Scout Project. Emily and her team cleaned up the shed and bike corral areas, including repairing the sheds and building new steps. When the weather is a little warmer, they will be coming back to paint the sheds!

This Christmas, the Creative Kids in Lake Wylie hosted a giving tree, collecting hygiene items such as Bath & Body Works products, face wash and lotion, combs, brushes, and more!

Twice as nice in '22!



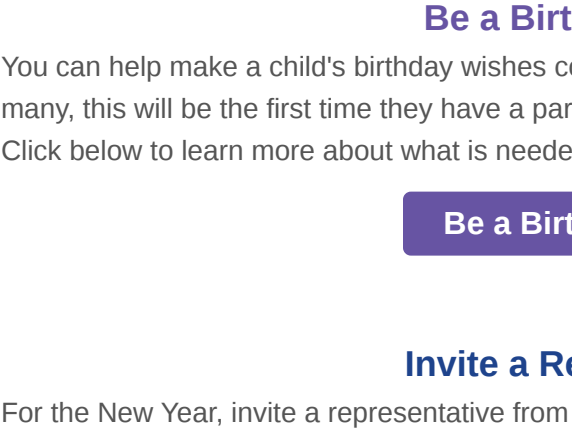
Starting tomorrow, you can double your impact by making a donation before the end of this year! The Career Project is generously matching up to \$10,000 in donations made before 12/31. Give once and your donation counts twice - sign up as a new monthly donor and your first gift counts 4x as nice!

Give before the clock strikes!

Crossroads Program

Youth who are homeless or at risk of becoming homeless stay in the shadows. Unlike the stereotype many hold for "homeless", these youth work to blend in, hiding their true needs from those around them for fear of judgment or to simply protect themselves.

Not only can you help by sharing that youth homelessness is a problem in our own community, you can help youth find help, home, and hope!



How You Can Help

- Posting flyers around town ([Download](#) or reply to this email to request printed copies)
- Sharing the video on your social media
- [Inviting a speaker](#) for your group from the Children's Attention Home to learn more

P.S. - Other Ways to Help

One of the biggest ways you can help is sharing the Home's needs with others and learning more. To do that:

- 1) Forward this newsletter to a friend with an invitation to subscribe right here: attentionhome.org/email-sign-up.
- 2) Hit reply and say hello! Or send a question you'd love to know the answer to.

Here are a few other ways we could use your help this month and in the New Year...

Provide a Meal

A great way to help is by providing meals that are easy to eat. We encourage individuals, families, and groups to provide a warm, ready-to-serve homemade or takeout meal for the teens living at the Home. You can also sponsor a meal if you'd prefer. To see dates where you can help:

Provide a meal

Be a Birthday Buddy

You can help make a child's birthday wishes come true by becoming a Birthday Buddy! For many, this will be the first time they have a party, open new presents, or have their favorite cake. Click below to learn more about what is needed and to sign up:

Be a Birthday Buddy

Invite a Representative

For the New Year, invite a representative from the Home to speak with your group about the Home and opportunities to get involved! Whether its 2 minutes or an hour, we will customize our presentation to your interests.

Request a Representative

Shop the Wishlist

Just like your home, we have a shopping list, too! Our Amazon wishlist is full of ways you can help make the Home a great place for our youth. Specifically, we could use help with gallon ziploc bags, disposable bowls, individually wrapped snacks and large canisters of drink mix!

See needs list

Be sure to select the Home for Amazon Smile! You can also see some of our capital project needs, in case you're interested in helping in a bigger way.

Fundraise for the Home

Give hope to youth and families when you raise funds to support the Children's Attention Home! The generous support of individuals and organizations provides vital financial resources needed to care for the youth served at Children's Attention Home. Learn more about the difference your financial support makes here!

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Become a Monthly Donor

Monthly donors help make sure that the Home has the financial resources every month to provide for the many needs of our youth. For as little as \$10 a month, you are helping us provide opportunity and hope to youth and families in need. Give today at attentionhome.org/give.

Give monthly

If you have any questions, or would like to learn about more ways you can propel our mission forward, we'd love to talk with you more! Contact Denise McNeill (development@attentionhome.org, 803-328-8871 ext. 5981).

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