



Benevolence

at GreenvilleOaks

BENEVOLENCE CONTRIBUTION

**SUNDAY,
APRIL 28**

Your Contribution
Serves Our Community
Blesses Our Church Family

**THANK YOU FOR
YOUR KINDNESS!**

The Benevolence Process



Financial Need
Recognized



Request for
Financial Assistance



Submit Application for
Financial Assistance



Face-to-face Review
of the Application



Recommendation Sent
to the Benevolence Team



Benevolence Team's
Decision is Carried Out

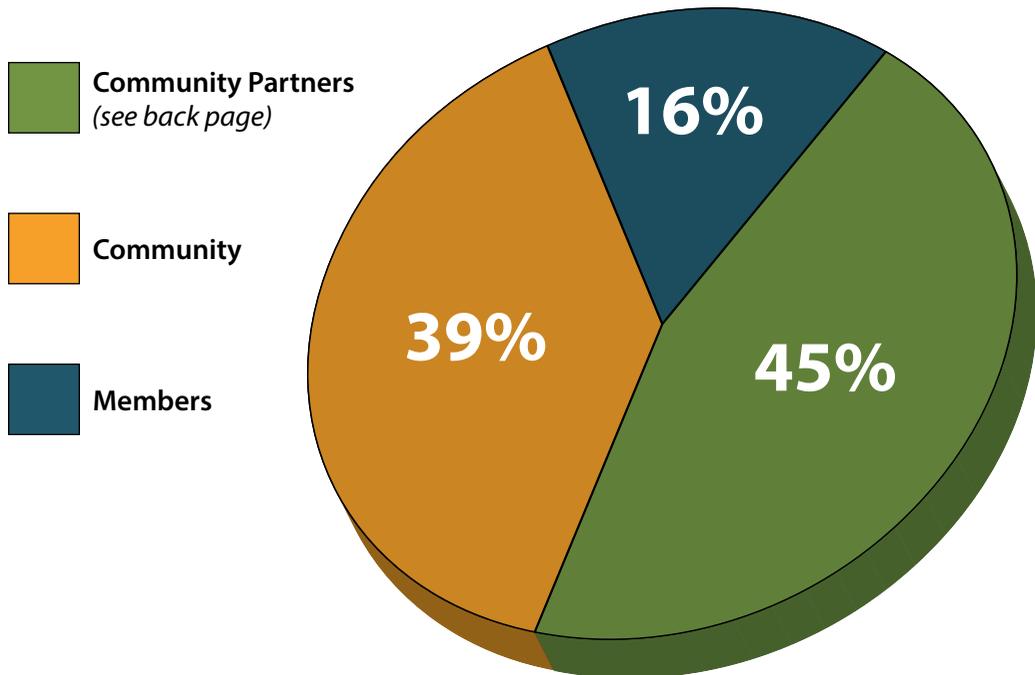
Thank you!

Galon Jones, *Spiritual Direction and Discipleship Minister*

On behalf of the Benevolence Ministry, I want to say thank you! Thank you for the way you have supported our ministry at Greenville Oaks. Your generosity always surpasses what we imagine. You not only support us financially, but in so many other ways as well. You support us through volunteering and serving with our

community partners; by alerting us to needs in our community; and by making us aware of the needs of our church family. You will never realize how many lives you have touched through your generosity to this ministry. Thank you for being the eyes, ears, hands and feet of Jesus as you serve in our community and our church family.

How Your Contribution was used in 2018



Notes of Gratitude

Rick Crocker, *CEO, The Samaritan Inn*

Your gift is already making an impact ...

As the Chief Executive Officer of The Samaritan Inn, I would like to personally thank you for making our work possible through your donation. Your kindness and generosity are moving families and individuals who are experiencing homelessness from a survival perspective to a place of security, self-sufficiency, and independence.

As long as there are children sleeping in their cars, our work is not over. Thank you for being part of the solution by supporting The Samaritan Inn.

With heartfelt gratitude,
Rick

Janet Smith, *Development Director, Trusted World*

Thank you for supporting Trusted World in 2018. Your support meant over 600 requests by local agencies, first responders, and school counselors were filled by December 1 of 2018. Trusted World has become a social safety net for relief supplies to community agencies, local social workers, and first responders in Collin and Dallas Counties.

Janet

Diane Kaslow, *Director of Special Projects, LifePath Systems*

Thank you to the staff and congregation for the generous donations to several of our Early Childhood Intervention families. Y'all made Christmas day very special for 30 children. The parents were all thrilled and very grateful that they were able to give their children gifts. Thank you so very much.

Sincerely,
Diane

Monty Moore, CEO, Allen Community Outreach

Please accept our thanks for your very generous gift to Allen Community Outreach (ACO). Your gift will help families facing a financial crisis in our community manage current setbacks while preparing for a better future.

Supporters like the Greenville Oaks Church of Christ and its caring members are vital in the fight to combat hunger and homelessness in our area. Thank you again for your donation, and please continue your support as we continue to fulfill our mission.

In 2018, ACO served more people than ever before. More than 21,000 units of services helped more than 6,500 men,

women, and children in need. This is more than double the number of individuals served in 2017 with food assistance extension to any vulnerable resident in Collin County. While our heart is in Allen, our heart has grown in the face of needs beyond our city boundaries. This growth reflects the needs in our county as it continues to develop and bring more people to live here. While rapid growth has its advantages, it also impacts social and human issues due to increasing housing costs and transportation challenges.

We are grateful to know that “bottom line, you also care.”



Notes of Gratitude

Thank you so much for helping me pay my rent. I lost my job while recovering from surgery last year. I came to the church for help and you paid my rent in full. God has blessed me with a part-time job that is paying more than the full-time job I had before I was laid off. I am so grateful and appreciate your help.

Thank you again!

Thank you so much for helping me in a time of need.

Earlier this year, I found myself in a very tough spot — mentally, emotionally, and spiritually — after my wife left me and I was drained financially. I felt I had reached the end of hope and, as a last resort, I made a call to the national suicide hotline. They referred me to the Salvation Army for resources, which I went to the next day. After going there the next morning, I was told their resources were tapped out, but they referred me to Greenville Oaks, which I quickly contacted. The application process was rather lengthy, but in the end, Greenville Oaks came through with a full month's rent. Afterward, the church provided additional counseling weekly to help me stay focused. If it wasn't for Greenville Oaks, I probably wouldn't be here to share this story.

I DON'T HAVE WORDS TO EXPRESS
MY GRATITUDE FOR WHAT YOU
HAVE DONE. YOU DON'T KNOW
HOW MUCH THAT MEANS TO ME.



Individuals

Thank you so much. I have been blessed through a friendship with a family living close to us that is less fortunate than many of us at Greenville Oaks. Riddled with generations of hardships, opportunities are hard to be seen. However, the Lord has used Greenville Oaks benevolence, more than once, to enable stability when there was a risk of losing it. I personally have been blessed to facilitate the request and be a part of the giving of the gift. It's truly been a blessing to know that Greenville Oaks desires to help those around us. It has been a useful tool for me to be able to step into the lives of people and love them where they are. It is my hope that Jesus will grow love in them and transform their hearts and minds so that they go out to do the same. Thank you, Greenville Oaks, for the love you have shown to me and my friends through the Benevolence Ministry!

Greenville Oaks member

The Benevolence Ministry is designed to meet the needs of those in our church family and community who are enduring hard times. This ministry strives to walk with an individual or family through whatever situation they are experiencing and to offer financial support and guidance, counseling and spiritual mentoring.

Community Partners

People in Allen and throughout Collin County have many needs. In most cases, those needs are far greater than a single church or organization can meet. This is one reason there are many non-profit organizations that specialize in a variety of services and provide resources to members of our community. Too many times our churches have tried single-handedly to help people only to become frustrated and realize they are ill-equipped to meet those needs.

At Greenville Oaks, we recognize our limitations and lack of expertise in meeting the variety of needs in our community. Therefore, we partner with Christ-centered organizations that have the knowledge, resources, and expertise that we simply do not have.

Because of your generous donations, the Benevolence Ministry has been able to donate a large portion of the Benevolence Fund to support community partners such as Allen Community Outreach, The Samaritan Inn, Trusted World, Allen Food Pantry, 5-Loaves, Arms of Hope, Shiloh Place, and others.

An exciting benefit of working with many community partners is that they provide opportunities for people to serve. Please contact any of these partners to learn more about their service options.

Thank you for your generosity.



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