

# Hope at The Point Foundation

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HELPING THOSE IN NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY

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## Upcoming Events



**Auction For Hope**  
October 3, 2009



**Scramble For Hope**  
October 5, 2009



**Donation Drive**  
December 5, 2009

**Polar Plunge**  
January 1, 2010

## VIVA LAS VEGAS NIGHT OF A THOUSAND CHANCES



Our Weekend Of Hope is coming soon. We believe you will be thrilled at the opportunities for you to win during a 'Night of A Thousand Chances' and help us celebrate a weekend of giving. Saturday, October 3rd is our Auction and Gala event, with Monday the 5th being the day for Scramble For Hope at The Point. If you are interested in participating in the golf tournament please contact Ed Cook at (704) 361-4490.

You don't want to miss this year's Auction and Gala event featuring an assortment of chances for you to win while benefiting our local charities. We have been able to reduce the ticket price to \$80 per person this year. And to top that, your ticket purchase enters you in a drawing to win a cash prize of \$500 (that could be used to start your trip to Las Vegas). We realize that a lot of folks might not be able to attend the event but would like to support us so just for buying a ticket you are entered into the drawing even if you can't attend.

Our Live Auction will have some wonderful travel trips. The Silent Auction will have a new twist to it along with some traditional items. There will be raffles and of course casino gaming tables that will allow you to bet up your donations. The overall casino winner in earnings will win a special prize. The 'Night of A Thousand Chances' theme will allow you to enjoy yourselves while remembering those in our community who desperately need our assistance.



More so this year than any other year the Foundation has been in existence, we need everyone to show our real giving spirit. All of us have felt the sting of the economic downturn, but those recipients of our local charities are being severely stung. The Board's commitment to our mission is unshaken and our belief in you to deliver for our community is just as strong. Our membership program is still new and young, but we are receiving great interest. John Gaydac explains how you can be involved with employer contributions inside the newsletter. We have a new Youth for Hope Chair person in Madison Sherrett (704) 975-0529, a student at Lake Norman High School. Please read the article inside about Madison and our youth efforts. Hope Park is a reality, see Sarah Dumser's article. We can all make a difference.

To the donors of all the products and services that we will display, I want to thank you from all us at The Hope at The Point Foundation. We couldn't do this without your generosity. Thank You.

You can still volunteer to help at the events. E-mail Gabi Bobinski, our Volunteer Chair, at [gabi@tunnelv.com](mailto:gabi@tunnelv.com).

Our Beneficiaries:



### HOPE PARK IS COMING SOON



Mark your calendars and Start Your Engines!!!! The playground is coming! Hope Park is a collaborative effort of the Shierson Winners' Circle of the Hope at The Point Foundation, the Lowe's YMCA, the Town of Mooresville, and members of our community working together to design, fund, build and enjoy a unique, destination playground in Mooresville. For 5 days in March, thousands of volunteers, both skilled and unskilled, will show up at the YMCA and help construct this playground from scratch, similar to an old-fashioned barn raising. Plans call for a racing themed playground, memorial garden, picnic shelter and water spray park. However, the particulars of the design of the tot lot and children's playground is up to the experts – the children!



You don't have to be a carpenter to help! Visit the website [www.buildhopepark.org](http://www.buildhopepark.org) to see the opportunities available to help. Consider serving on a committee, sign up to build, buy an engraved brick or fence picket. After the design is completed this September, playground components will be available for purchase by individuals or businesses. Visit the website [www.buildhopepark.org](http://www.buildhopepark.org) for more information.



During the live auction, at the October 3rd Hope at The Point Foundation gala, exclusive naming rights for the picnic shelter will be auctioned off. This will be a permanent structure visited by many for years to come! Place your name on our community's only custom designed, community built playground.

### LOOKING FOR A WAY TO CONTRIBUTE TO HOPE AT THE POINT FOUNDATION?

One of the easiest ways to support the Hope at The Point Foundation is through your company's annual Employee Charitable Contribution Campaign (ECCC). Each year at this time, ECCC offers employees the opportunity to contribute to the communities where they live and work and participate in improving the lives of others. By selecting Hope at The Point Foundation, you can help those in need in the Lake Norman area.

So when your company's campaign starts, please designate "Hope at The Point Foundation" as the benefactor of your charitable giving. The Hope at The Point Foundation address is

Hope at The Point Foundation  
 PMB #307  
 631-407 Brawley School Road  
 Mooresville, NC 28117

All annual gifts in excess of \$500 qualify for family recognition in the Hope at The Point Foundation Membership society, as well as enabling you to direct your donation to one of the designated charities or endowment fund. As a 501(c)(3) designated charity, your contributions may be tax deductible.

Thank you again for supporting Hope at The Point Foundation.

## YOUTH FOR HOPE HAS A NEW CHAIR PERSON - MADISON SHERRETT



As the new Youth Chairperson for the Foundation, I am excited to lead a group of teens in a philanthropic effort for our community. Hope at The Point Foundation projects are traditionally developed and managed by adults and I believe it is time that local teens

are challenged to help others in our community.

The Youth for Hope Club has suggestions for future fund raising activities such as planting flowers in the Hope Park, forming a Relay for Hope, organizing a contest for making the Youth for Hope logo, and helping out at the Weekend of Hope. Another event proposed by Youth for Hope is a mass butterfly release. Individuals will be able to purchase live butterflies at certain

Youth for Hope locations. On a designated date and time everyone will gather together for a brief ceremony and simultaneously release the butterflies. This is not only a chance for our community to come together for a common cause but it is also an emotional release for anyone who has lost their loved ones to an illness or tragedy. It also generates exposure for Hope at The Point Foundation through local and regional press coverage.

The public is commonly under the misconception that teenagers only “receive” and never “give back”. It is time that we prove ourselves to the community and help support those causes that improve the lives of those less fortunate. Mahatma Ghandi said, “You must be the change you wish to see in the world”. Hopefully these activities will spur much needed help and enrich our community in ways no one has ever dreamed.

If you want to know more about and/or volunteer for the Youth for Hope please call Madison Sherrett at (704) 975-0529.

## HEALTHREACH COMMUNITY CLINIC CONTINUES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITY

One of the many charities supported by the Hope at The Point Foundation is Health Reach Community Clinic (HRCC) in Mooresville. HRCC provides free medical care, free dental care, free chiropractic care, and free prescription drugs to low-income, uninsured residents of south Iredell County.

Thousands of people are seen every year at HRCC. One of the effects of the economic downturn is that all charity organizations have experienced an incredible increase in demand for their services. HRCC is no exception; patient volume for 2009 is up by over 170%. Because so many people have lost their insurance, their jobs, or both, nearly half of all the people seen this year have been new patients. The clinic has responded by increasing hours of operations, recently adding another 18 hours/week of medical services.



HRCC has been very fortunate to have the support of local and national celebrities. Dr. Mehmet Oz, of the Oprah Show, came to

Mooresville and gave a presentation on behalf of HRCC which generated donations equivalent to a full month’s operations. Dr. Oz not only gave his presentation, but he also actually came to the clinic’s facilities and treated patients! He is a strong advocate for free clinics and is working to help our clinic and others all across the country.

HRCC is also blessed to have the support of many volunteers. Over 100 doctors, nurses, chiropractors, dental professionals, translators, administrators, students, and other people from all walks of life volunteer their time to make the clinic the success it is today. This year, over 3,500 hours of time will be donated to HRCC. Their support is a clear reminder that HRCC is truly a community-based charity where people come together to help their less fortunate neighbors. Especially in this economic environment, the patients and staff of HRCC really appreciate the strong support of the good people of our area who work so hard to provide healthcare to those who can’t afford it on their own.

For more information or to volunteer please visit [www.healthreachclinic.org](http://www.healthreachclinic.org) or call (704) 663-1992.

**Our Beneficiaries:**



**5th Street  
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Diakanos**



**HEALTHREACH  
Community Clinic**



**Mooresville  
Christian Mission**



**SCAN**  
**Stop Child  
Abuse Now**



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## JOIN US IN HELPING THOSE IN NEED IN OUR COMMUNITY

### *Volunteer*

We need volunteers at all levels and all events throughout the year. If you would like to help, or know of someone who does, please contact Joe Tilton at (704) 728-9481 or [joe.tilton@roadrunner.com](mailto:joe.tilton@roadrunner.com).

### *Donate*

There are many ways you can make a difference through your donation. We have several kinds of sponsorships, or you can simply make an individual donation through our website [www.Hope-Point.org](http://www.Hope-Point.org).

### *Participate*

Join the fun at the Weekend of Hope in October 2009. Bid on a great item at the Auction for Hope on October 3, 2009 or get a team together at the Scramble for Hope on October 5, 2009.

### *Community Needs*

Do you know, or are you working with charitable organizations that are doing good work in the Lake Norman area? Will contributions to these organizations make a material difference in how they are able to accomplish their mission. If so, we need to know about them. Please contact Joe Tilton at (704) 728-9481 or [joe.tilton@roadrunner.com](mailto:joe.tilton@roadrunner.com)