

VOLUNTEERS HELPING FRAIL SENIORS AGE IN PLACE

HART FELT HIGHLIGHTS FOR APRIL 2017

Here are a few of the MANY great things Hart Felt volunteers did this month!

- Ms. Marva let her adult nephew move into her home. He suffers from mental issues and drug abuse. She thought she was doing the “right” thing by taking him in, even though her family was very concerned. One day while Ms. Marva was out, her nephew set fire to her home, and then disappeared. Needless to say, her home has extensive repair needs. She has no insurance and doesn’t have the money to fix the repairs. While she waits for help, she sleeps in her shed. We are partnering with **Builders Care** to help her. But with our limited budgets, we won’t be able to fix all of the needed repairs. Our goal is to get her house livable again.
- Ms. Jacquelin received a notice from the City that she would be fined if she did not get a tree removed (the tree came down during the hurricane). Hart Felt quickly found a tree company to remove the tree for her. Ms. Jacquelin was much relieved, exclaiming, "Thank you! I don't know what I would've done without your help."

STATISTIC OF THE MONTH

While Florida has the highest percentage of seniors of all U.S. states, it ranks 43rd in helping seniors live independently.

- Mr. Asberry needed a new A/C unit. As the total cost was out of Hart Felt’s budget, we partnered with ElderSource’s Senior to Senior fund to make this happen. We are truly grateful for these partnerships! Mr. Asberry is very happy, and pronounces that he can now breathe much better!



Yea, Hart Felt Ministries!
Best of Jacksonville 2017

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YOU DID IT! VOLUNTEER HOURS

March Totals

85 Volunteers
Donated 762 Hours
To Serve 101 Clients

YOUR IMPACT IN
THIS COMMUNITY
IS TREMENDOUS!

You give your time every day - visits, transportation, errands, **pet care**, light housework, wheelchair ramps, minor home repairs, yardwork, shopping, phone reassurance, cards, prayers, . . . it is all so important!

THANK YOU!

- We are so grateful for Lewis Wade and our ramp team from Shepherd of the Woods – they are so responsive! Ms. Mary just recently conceded that she might need a ramp. She is 96 years young! Also volunteer Ethel Henry was instrumental in getting this ramp built for her client.



Ms. Mary and Volunteer Ethel Henry



Ms. Mary's New Ramp

- Ms. Martha suffers from polio and cancer. She really needed a new mattress, but was unable to buy one due to her very limited income. Through the Hart Fund, we were able to help her get a new bed. She should be sleeping much better now!
- Ms. Naomi's gas stove wasn't working and needed repair, but she couldn't afford to pay for it. We found a repairman to get the problem solved for her. Ms. Naomi was so happy for the help that she was in tears.
- The Mandarin Rotarians built a ramp for Ms. Alfreda. This ramp could not have come at a better time. Ms. Alfreda is in a rehab facility and will be coming home soon. The ramp will be a critical need for her when she gets home.

**COALITION PARTNER
OF THE MONTH**



**WE ARE GRATEFUL FOR
ALL YOU DO!!!**

**WELCOME, NEW HART FELT
VOLUNTEERS!**

**Vicky Bates
Rod Lee
Gail Gargiulo
Mark Fries
Betty Gambill
Kim Kristoff
Kimberly Zumwalt**

We are SO happy to have you!

**OUR VOLUNTEERS HAVE A
HEART FOR HART FELT**

- Volunteer Bob Mannion had been searching for his individual way to serve Hart Felt clients. He found his niche! Bob helps our clients with their pets. He takes dogs for walks, and takes pets to vet appointments. What a great way to serve!
- Another volunteer, Nancy Misiak, is providing much-needed administrative help from her home (the office is small and barely houses our staff as it is). Hart Felt is so grateful for her help!

We are many, but in Christ we are all one body. Each one is a part of that body.

Romans 12:5