



VOLUNTEERS HELPING FRAIL SENIORS AGE IN PLACE

HART FELT HIGHLIGHTS IN JANUARY 2017

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

- Thanks to volunteer Doc Miller, Ms. Willie has a new stove! He had one to donate, and we had a client whose stove didn't work. Ms. Willie is thrilled, saying "Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I can't tell you what this means to me to have a working stove again." **AND** Mr. Gus has a new lift chair, also thanks to Doc Miller, and to Wayne's Fine Furniture. Mr. Gus says, "It's like I died and went to Heaven, but please wait until after the Super Bowl!" We are so blessed to have Doc!

STATISTIC OF THE MONTH

In Florida now:

1/3 of seniors have a census-defined disability

1/4 of seniors live alone

1/5 of seniors have difficulty walking

- So many of our volunteers provide one-on-one visiting and support for our clients. This is at the core of our mission to "... demonstrate love, and provide, at no charge, non-medical service that built relationships, enhance the home environment, and preserve the dignity and independence of Jacksonville's frail seniors."



THANK YOU ALL!

*Left: Mr. Thomas
with Volunteer
Allen Tate*

*Right: Ms. Helen
with Volunteer
Cyndi Butler*



YOU DID IT!

VOLUNTEER HOURS

December Totals

94 Volunteers

Donated **900** Hours

To Serve **222** Clients

YOUR IMPACT IN
THIS COMMUNITY
IS TREMENDOUS!

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

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- Ms. Delores needs help. Her son (who lives with her) lost his job when he had to leave work suddenly one day because his mom had an emergency. So, then he also lost his car, which was their only transportation. And they have no food nor money to buy food. Hart Felt arranged to send some groceries to her home. Also, her landlord is being very uncooperative with her rent payment, so Hart Felt helped her with her February rent.

COALITION PARTNER OF THE MONTH



THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!!

NEW HART FELT VOLUNTEERS

Beverly Rapaport
Betsy Curry
Jillian Maki
Denise Havinga

WELCOME!

- Ms. Elease has had unusually high JEA bills lately. Avalon Heating and Air investigated quickly and found that her heater had been running in “emergency” mode the entire month! Later, her JEA bill was still high, and JEA identified a water leak. Hart Felt arranged to have a plumber go there to fix the leak for her.
- Ms. Louise is 94 and her A/C and heating unit hasn’t worked since before Christmas. Avalon Heating and Air could have replaced the original part, but instead found a more cost-effective solution. Avalon does a great job working with us to save money and help our clients at the same time!

- 6 stylists at Wow! Hair Salon recently completed our Volunteer Training and are anxious to get started cutting and styling hair for our homebound clients. We are thrilled to have them and for this wonderful service they will provide for our clients!



- Ms. Ellen is wheelchair-bound and can’t do a lot of cleaning anymore. She has always been a very neat person, and now was very frustrated with her house, as it needed a good cleaning. We found a cleaning service that was happy to help and did a deep clean for Ms. Ellen.



You Are Invited!

Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast

Saturday, February 11, 2017 at 9:30am, Salem Centre

**This will be a special event dedicated solely to honoring you, our volunteers.
You are truly the HART of the organization!**

Bring a guest, a friend you’d like to introduce to Hart Felt, or even your client!

Please note the annual meeting will take place February 14 so that we can focus exclusively on our volunteers.

... ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

Matt. 25:40