

## VOLUNTEERS HELPING FRAIL SENIORS AGE IN PLACE

### HART FELT HIGHLIGHTS FOR MARCH 2017

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

- Ms. Irene is 90, lives alone, and has no family. She has a toy parrot that talks to her. He is her best friend. She sets up card games for 4 imaginary friends. All she wants is a (human) friend. We matched Ms. Irene with a new volunteer who will be able to provide some much-needed companionship.
  - When client Ms. Vera's story was featured in a Hope Fund article in the Times-Union newspaper, new Hart Felt volunteer Diana Spicer recognized her picture. Ms. Vera once worked at Morrison's Cafeteria, and she had served Diana there years ago. Diana says now it's her turn to serve Ms. Vera.
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- Ms. Vera with Volunteer Diana Spicer*
- Ms. Elise had an urgent situation. Hart Felt tried in vain to work with her collections agency on her behalf. Still, if Ms. Elise didn't pay the entire amount due for her mortgage by March 15, they would start foreclosure proceedings. All she needed was \$500, and Hart Felt had already spent all we could for her on other issues. Finally, we posted her story on Facebook, and we raised about twice the amount within 24 hours! Ms. Elise cried when we gave her the great news, exclaiming, "Thank You, Jesus!" We agree. AMEN!

**Welcome!**  
**New Church Coalition Partner**  
**MANDARIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**

- Funding for Ms. Cora's much-needed new roof is complete, thanks to the car wash fundraiser at Chet's Creek Church, and a generous donation from the church itself (Hart Felt covered the remaining balance). Partner **Peaks Roofing and Construction** is completing this project. So awesome for Ms. Cora!

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**YOU DID IT!**  
VOLUNTEER HOURS

**February Totals**

**79 Volunteers**  
**Donated 818 Hours**  
**To Serve 84 Clients**

**YOUR IMPACT IN**  
**THIS COMMUNITY**  
**IS TREMENDOUS!**

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

***THANK YOU!***

- **Marand Builders** built a CONCRETE ramp for Ms. Phyllis. There was an issue with a water leak during the ramp build, but in spite of that, the Marand folks hung in there and completed the ramp. Ms. Phyllis wrote this on our Facebook page: "I want to thank Hart Felt Ministries and all their volunteers for putting me a walkway in so I can get out of my house! I thank you and God for this blessing! May God bless you all!"



*Marand Builders in Action*

**COALITION PARTNER OF THE MONTH**



**THANK YOU FOR ALL YOU DO!!!**

- Ms. Gloria's kitchen floor was falling in, and her refrigerator had sunk down into the floor by 8 inches. A contractor from **Builders Care** fixed it for her, despite unforeseen, additional expenditure for the floor due to some serious wood rot issues. Ms. Gloria is now safe!
- Ms. Chance has respiratory issues, and she was having trouble breathing because her house was so cold. Partner **Avalon Heating and Air** immediately went to her house and fixed her HVAC unit. Ms. Chance later called the office and said, "Thank you, thank you, thank you! God bless you for getting me out of the cold!"
- Volunteer Gary Hale rebuilt steps for Ms. Linda. She didn't want a ramp; she just wanted the steps wide enough so that if she got tired climbing them she'd have enough space to stop with her walker and rest.



*Ms. Linda's New Steps*

**STATISTIC OF THE MONTH**

Today, not quite one in five Floridians is a senior.  
By 2040, it will be one in four.

**WELCOME,  
NEW HART FELT VOLUNTEERS!**



**Lola Barker, Louanne Campbell,  
Allen Campbell, Franchon Ambrose**

**We are SO happy to have you!**

**Do not cast me away when I am old; do not forsake me when my strength is gone.**

Pro 71:9