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## EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER

Congratulations to the Employee of the Quarter, **James Martin!** His supervisor said, "Every so often a person comes along who is perfectly suited for their work. This is certainly the case with James. He deeply cares about all people and has a heartfelt zeal for public service. James sincerely appreciates the unique opportunity to work for CPCA whose mission he so aptly personifies, and he is always eager to learn and do more and to be of greater service to the agency and the local community. When faced with challenges, James does not complain or make excuses, he takes initiative to do whatever he can to complete the task or resolve the situation. James has thus been instrumental to the success of the CARES program in Randolph County over the past year, and I have no doubt he will do likewise with CSBG going forward. James has been a blessing to the agency and to me as his director. It is for these reasons that I enthusiastically nominate James Martin as Employee of the Quarter." \*



# FREE GROCERIES THIS SUMMER



SNACK!'s goal is to provide nutritious groceries throughout the summer to children facing hunger in Chatham County. SNACK! provides each participating child with 21 nutritious free meals each week mid-June through mid-August. Last year, we provided 129,000 meals to 1,144 children.

Families with children who receive free or reduced lunch can enroll their eligible children to collect food from their choice of distribution sites located throughout the county.

Please visit [www.corafoodpantry.org/our-work/snack/](http://www.corafoodpantry.org/our-work/snack/) or call Dean Hawkins at (984) 219-8972 for more information and to register your child.

Groceries will include fruits, vegetables, protein, cereal, beans, grains, and snacks.

\*Due to social distancing guidelines, we will distribute food curbside in pre-packed boxes.

**WWW.CORAFOODPANTY.ORG**

# COMESTIBLES GRATIS ESTE VERANO!



¡BOCADILLOS! Es un programa cuyo objetivo es proporcionar comestibles nutritivos durante todo el verano a los niños que enfrentan hambre en el condado de Chatham. ¡Bocadillo! proporciona a cada niño participante 21 comidas nutritivas gratis cada semana desde mediados de junio hasta mediados de agosto. El año pasado, proporcionamos 129.000 comidas a 1.144 niños.

Las familias con niños que reciben almuerzo gratis o reducido pueden inscribir a sus hijos que cualifican para recolectar alimentos de su elección de sitios de distribución ubicados en todo el condado. Visite [www.corafoodpantry.org/our-work/snack/](http://www.corafoodpantry.org/our-work/snack/) o llame a Dean Hawkins al (984) 219-8972 para obtener más información y registrar a su hijo.

Los comestibles incluirán frutas, verduras, proteínas, cereales, frijoles, granos y bocadillos.

\*Debido a las pautas de distanciamiento social, distribuiremos los alimentos en cajas preenvasadas en la acera.

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# VIRTUAL LEARNING WORKSHOP

Case Managers, Carol Currie and Tiffany Diaz, shared excellent advice about how parents and children can cope with the demands of

remote learning during the COVID-19 crisis in a recent Zoom workshop for Chatham County CSBG Participants. CSBG Staff have embraced the challenge to continue informative workshops for participants during the pandemic. Thanks to the progressive efforts of our Executive Director, we have the technical capability to engage with participants and enlighten them in a safe, effective, and considerate way. I am very proud of staff for their creativity and resourcefulness. - Sheryl Andrews, CSBG Director \*



## UPCOMING EVENTS

July 5 - Independence Day, offices closed

Sept 6 - Labor Day, offices closed

Oct 11 - Columbus Day, offices closed

## CSBG CLIENT AMANDA H.

We were happy to provide Randolph County CSBG client Amanda H. with a new laptop that she and her daughter will use to complete their remote college courses. They are both making excellent progress with their educational goals. The laptop was purchased through a generous grant from PNC Bank. This grant was established to assist individuals and families impacted by COVID-19 achieve their workforce goals. It is indeed an honor to partner with organizations like PNC that care about and invest in their customers and local communities. \*



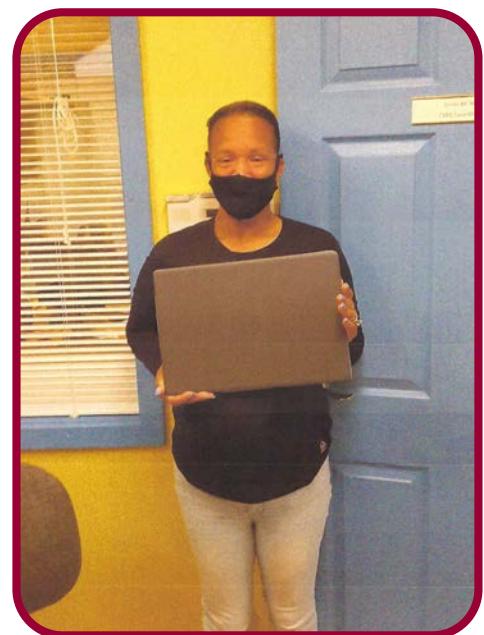
## **CSBG CLIENTS RHONDA C. & ALICIA W.**

Orange County CSBG participants, Rhonda C. (pictured with CSBG Case Manager Lisa Scott) and Alicia W. (pictured with her son and Lisa Scott), were very thankful to receive new laptops from CPCA CSBG in partnership with PNC Bank. The PNC grant allows the agency to extend additional educational support to individuals and families that were adversely impacted by COVID19 and that are working towards achieving workforce development goals. The laptop will greatly benefit Rhonda's son, John, who is a recent high school graduate and new college student. Alicia is enrolled in a high school equivalency program and plans to pursue nursing training in the future, so the laptop will be essential to her success in both programs. We are so pleased to assist Rhonda and Alicia and grateful to PNC for making the assistance possible. \*



## **CSBG CLIENTS MELISSA G. & SAULETTA M.**

Randolph County CSBG participants, Melissa G. (w/ glasses) and Saulett M., are the latest recipients of laptops funded through the agency's PNC COVID grant. Melissa and Saulett are pursuing advanced training in social work and nursing, respectively. They are incredibly grateful to receive the new computers, and we are happy to support their career pursuits! \*



# COMMUNITY ACTION MONTH

CSBG Director Sheryl Andrews and CSBG Assistant Director Allexus Porter organized a staff appreciation pizza party on Friday, May 21, 2021 as part of Community Action Month. Staff received certificates for lighthearted superlatives, gift bags, and raffle items. It was a rare opportunity of late to fellowship in a safe and responsible manner and one that we all cherished. Special thanks to Pizza Hut and Carolina Stockyard Restaurant in Siler City for donating the delicious lunch and refreshments.\*



## ARTHUR CARLSEN FUND



We are very pleased to announce that CPCA was recently awarded a \$15,000 grant from the Arthur Carlsen Fund passed through Triangle Community Foundation for operating support of our Weatherization Assistant Program serving Chatham County. CPCA will use this generous grant to continue the agency's mission to make a vital difference in the lives of economically disadvantaged people needing jobs, nutrition, and housing comfort by delivering comprehensive, quality services and organizing community action to make positive changes.

CPCA would like to thank NPO Grant Consulting for their great work in helping to secure this grant. It is our commitment through this support from the Triangle Community Foundation to help our most vulnerable families obtain the energy measures they need to make their homes comfortable and safe.

To learn more about the Triangle Community Foundation and its initiatives, please visit: <https://trianglecf.org>.\*

# CARES CLIENT

“Thank you! Losing my job after the pandemic has been depressing and stressful. I didn’t think there was anyone to help me and CPCA and Duke Endowment has stepped up to help me. It has made my life better and I feel better. I am so thankful for you all.”

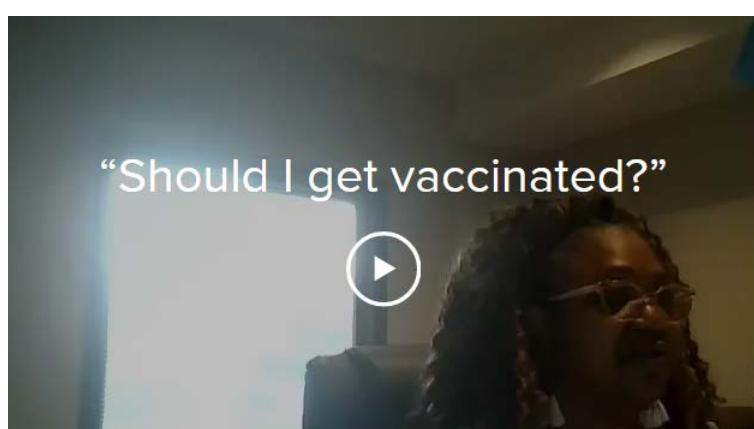
This is a Durham CARES NC customer who received rent assistance by leveraging funds from the CARES NC Program and Duke Endowment COVID Support Program (Duke Endowment CSP). \*



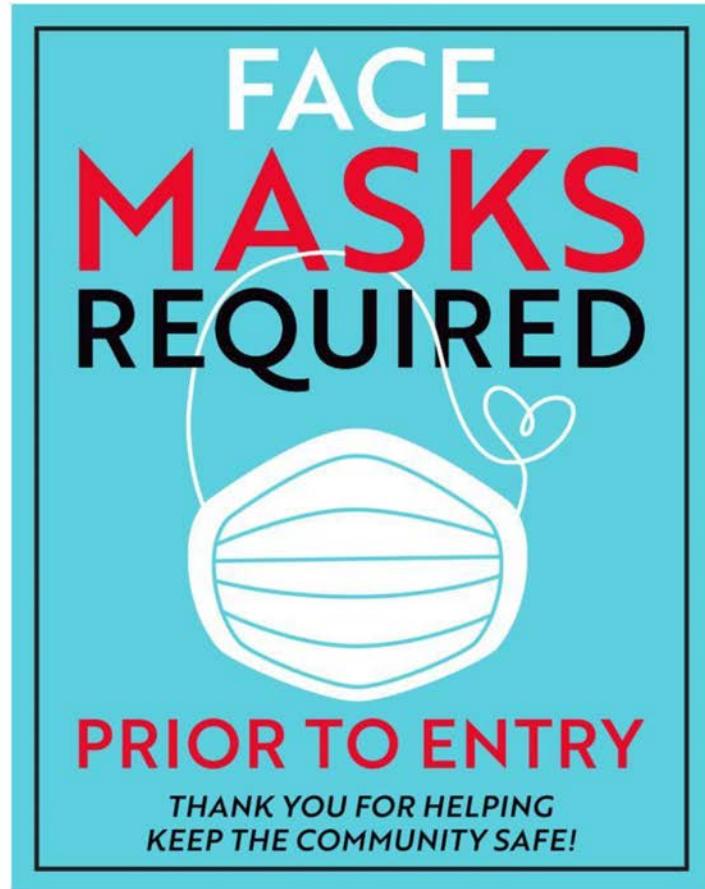
## MORE CSBG WORKSHOPS

Case Managers, Sandra Rush and James Martin, shared a Zoom workshop for their clients, “How to Manage Your Stimulus and Tax Refunds”.

Case Manager, Lisa Scott recently conducted a Zoom workshop for her clients, “Should I get vaccinated?”. \*



All of our CSBG workshops are available to view on our website at <https://www.cpcanc.org/workshops>



**VISITORS BY APPOINTMENT ONLY!**

**NO WALK-INS!**

## **CPCA COVID-19 SAFETY PLAN FOR CUSTOMERS**

### **Know the Symptoms of COVID-19**

- Coughing, fever, shortness of breath, and difficulty breathing.
- Early symptoms may include chills, body aches, sore throat, headache, diarrhea, nausea/vomiting, and runny nose. If you develop a fever and symptoms of respiratory illness, DO NOT GO TO YOUR CPCA APPOINTMENT.

### **Customer Responsibilities**

- Must schedule an appointment to enter building.
- Must wait outside in vehicle if arriving early for appointment unless waiting area can accommodate social distancing.
- Must wear a mask to enter the building.
- Must use hand sanitizer once entering the building.
- Must have temperature taken and complete COVID screening tool before being seen. If temperature is higher than normal or an answer of yes to any of the screening tool questions, the customer will be asked to leave.

# A HUGE THANK YOU TO OUR FUNDERS AND CONTRIBUTORS SINCE JULY 2020!

You can help now by giving to our cause. When you make a gift, you will instantly become a part of the Promise of Community Action. Together, we can **fight poverty, one family at a time!**

## ***PLATINUM (\$1100+)***

Chatham County  
Duke Endowment Fund  
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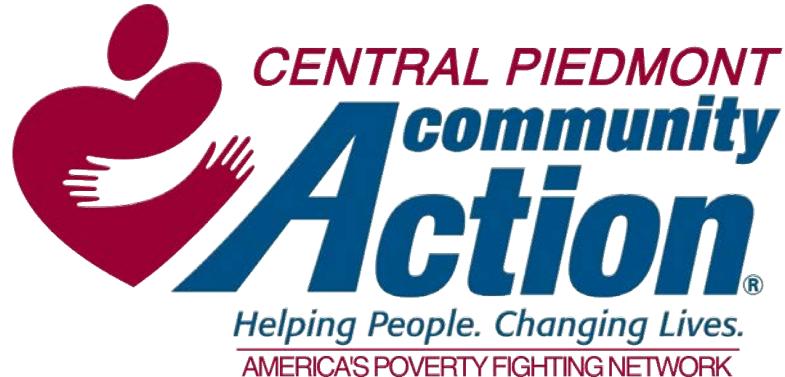
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Become a **Sustainer** for as little as \$10 a month. Automatic recurring monthly donations are easy to setup through our PayPal button. Simply select your monthly amount and check the Make This a Monthly Donation box. It is automatic and continues until you select stop in your PayPal account.

Make your **annual donation as a gift** in honor or in memory of someone you love. We will recognize this gift on this page and our Facebook page; unless you request to be anonymous. Include your request with your check, cash, or PayPal donation. Mail or drop-off a check at one of our offices. Make check out to CPCNA.

Support us through **Amazon Smile** when you shop on Amazon. Select us as your default Amazon Smile nonprofit organization. Our link is <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/56-0861200>

Become a Board Member. The Board meets bimonthly. Contact Executive Director Natasha Elliott at 919-742-2277 or [jacksonn@cpcanc.org](mailto:jacksonn@cpcanc.org).

Volunteer at one of our locations. See our donate webpage for details. \*

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