

WAYS YOU CAN HELP:

- Make a **financial gift**, gift of stock or via a DAF (donor advised fund). Every dollar makes a difference.
- Leave a **lasting legacy** for future generations, and name the Matthews HELP Center in your estate plan. Contact the MHC at 704-847-8383 or development@matthewshelpcenter.org for more information.
- Participate in our **Corporate or Community Partnership Program** – team building opportunities for small to large businesses.
- **Volunteer** — for more information on volunteering visit our website at www.matthewshelpcenter.org and complete a volunteer application.
- Hold a **fundraiser** and name MHC as the beneficiary. Golf tournaments, BBQ's, Garage Sales are just a few ideas.
- **Donate** antiques/collectibles, clothing, household items, shoes, décor and small furniture to **Backporch Treasures Thrift Boutique.** Proceeds support our financial assistance programs.
- Take a tour and help **build awareness** of our mission in your community.
- **Like**, **follow** and **share** our posts on social media @matthewshelpcenter.org.

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Community Impact Your support, time and contributions gave us the ability to provide...

13,037 services to **3,303** Households

Impacting **7,484** adults and children

More than **60,000** Volunteer Hours Served

(not including group hours both on and off-site).

CAUSE OF CRISIS:
- Employment Based: 38%
- Medical: 20%
- Housing Based: 13%
- Lack of Income: 14%
- Family Emergency: 2%
- Other: 13%

DEMOGRAPHICS SERVED:
- Adults: 53% Men 37%
- Children 47% Women 63%

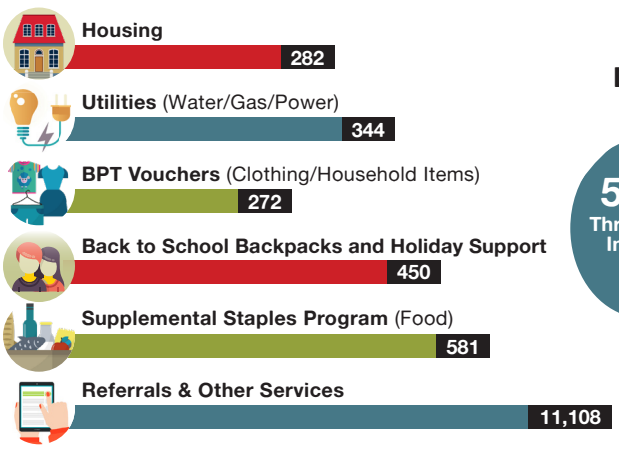
CLIENT EMPLOYMENT STATUS:
- Employed: 53%
- Unemployed: 16%
- Student: 9%
- Employed (Part-time): 8%
- Disabled: 7%
- Self-Employed: 2%
- Retired: 3%
- Employed (Multiple Jobs): 1%
- Other: 1%

ETHNICITY:
- African American/Black: 64%
- White/Caucasian: 19%
- Multiple Ethnicity: 9%
- Hispanic: 5%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 1%
- American Indian: 1%
- Declined: 1%

Financial Recap

From July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026, the Matthews HELP Center provided $1,025,014 in financial and non-financial support to nearly 7,500 adults and children in need throughout our community.

LIFE ESSENTIALS SERVICES PROVIDED



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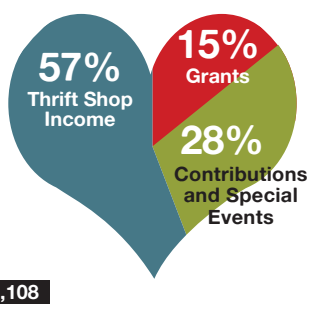
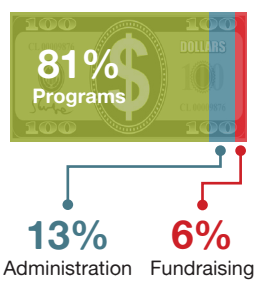
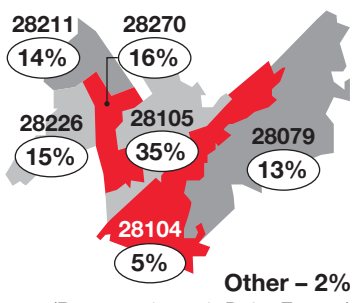


IMPACT OF YOUR DOLLAR



SERVICE AREA

Clients served by zip code



Other – 2%
(Program through Duke Energy)

MESSAGE OF HOPE



Dear Neighbors,

I am truly honored and humbled to lead an organization that holds our families at the very center of everything we do, meeting every hardship with a listening heart and a helping hand. Every single day, our compassionate staff and wonderful team of volunteers show up with pure love and devotion to fulfill our essential mission: to provide short-term crisis assistance to our neighbors in the Greater Matthews community.

We are so incredibly thankful to our customers, donors, and community partners. **YOU** are the heartbeat of the Matthews HELP Center, and the reason we can bring real, tangible hope to our neighbors!

Behind every number is a human story. One of our neighbors recently shared what your support truly meant to them.

"Without the help of the Matthews HELP Center, I would not have been able to stay in my home or feed my family. I would not have the life-sustaining oxygen that I need. This place has been a godsend. When we get back up on our feet, we intend to pay this forward by giving back as you have given to us."

Because of your immense generosity, last fiscal year we provided $1,025,014 in financial and non-financial assistance to 3,303 households, directly touching the lives of 7,484 children and adults.

For 47 years, the lives we touch and the hearts we heal have driven our mission. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for delivering life-changing hope and helping our neighbors move forward into a brighter tomorrow.

With a thankful heart,
Sandra

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Matthews HELP Center "The House with a Heart"

Will you HELP us make a difference today?

Please make checks payable to: Matthews HELP Center

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- ☐ $1,500 will provide a client's rent for a month
- ☐ $850 will help provide childcare for a month
- ☐ $500 will provide food for a family of four
- ☐ $300 will keep the electricity on for a month
- ☐ $200 provides heat for one month
- ☐ $100 provides water for one month
- ☐ $50 provides gas for a client to get to work
- ☐ Other $_____

THIS GIFT IS: ☐ One time ☐ Annually ☐ Quarterly ☐ Monthly for a period of _____ years.

First and Last Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ St: ____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Can we email your acknowledgement? ☐ Yes ☐ No

☐ Use wherever needed ☐ Honor/Memorial for (name) _____

Mail H/M acknowledgement to: _____

Yes, my company (name): _____ will match my gift.

- ☐ Please contact me regarding ways to get involved
- ☐ Please send me information on naming Matthews HELP Center in my will/estate plan
- ☐ I have already included MHC in my estate plan
- ☐ Please keep my gift anonymous

Gifts of stock and donor-advised funds are accepted. Questions: 704-847-8383 x 299

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CHARLOTTE'S BEST 2026 WINNER

VOTED BEST of NORTH CAROLINA 2026!