



# When **HELP** Can't Wait

March 2019

## NEWSLETTER

### 1st QUARTER – 2019

After a tumultuous 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter in 2018, we were saved from closing our doors by the community we serve. The media and our loyal donors and contributors flocked forth and let it be known that our services are appreciated and much needed. We are pleased to announce that we were able to downsize and secure a lease for one more year in our current location at 3843 Martinez Boulevard.



As we were fighting for the continuance of our ministry, the Columbia County Chamber of Commerce's Leadership Class of 2019 interviewed with us and adopted us as their project for the year. This group of young professionals went to work making phone calls on our behalf and making monetary donations to keep us afloat.

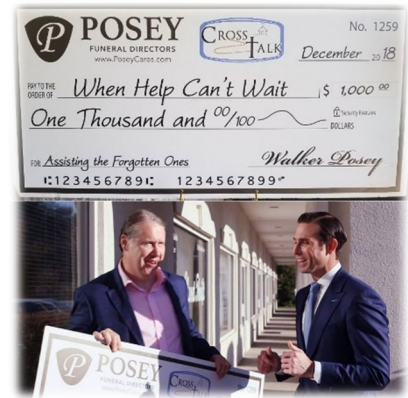
In the midst of the turmoil, the Augusta Bar Association planned a Golf Tournament and Silent Auction in support of our organization.

This tournament took place in September, and all proceeds were committed to be awarded in the first quarter of 2019. We were so honored and appreciative of this award. The event was led by Attorney Mitch Snyder, who was a delight to work with.



We hope that this will become an annual tribute to us by the Bar Association, which is such an influential group whose support would mean much to the community as a whole as they help us support needy seniors across our area.

In January we were surprised with a special 'Blessing Award' of \$1,000 from Posey Funeral Home in North Augusta with the support of the Cross-Talk program with Neil Gordon and affiliates.



As in past years, we held our Annual Volunteer Appreciation Dinner in March to honor our 25 to 30 volunteers who staff our organization. They serve as friendly visitors in the nursing homes, hold 'Clothes Closets' and jewelry shows, decorate individual rooms, perform pet therapy, entertain with professional gospel singers, and many other functions. Some also volunteer to help staff the office and Thrift Shop.

It is business as usual at When HELP Can't Wait. The Thrift Store & boutique are thriving, and we look forward to a renewed enthusiasm for our mission. We have a new

and active Board of Directors made up of energetic young professionals from all areas of the community.

With their help and the leadership of our Executive Director, Brandi Underwood, we are encouraged and optimistic about the future of this ministry. With the continued help of the community's support, we can continue to serve this most forgotten population – our nursing home residents in need.

We are in prayer for a donated building space or one that we can better afford as we attempt to continue this very important ministry with no major supporters to date. We hope you will join us in this search and prayers for a solution to our building needs.



**May God richly BLESS you all for your loyal support and caring!**

Ways that you can help:

**Financial Gifts may be made in honor of or to remember a special loved one. A notice will be sent to the honoree or to the family of those being remembered.**

- **Tax Laws encourage charitable giving and these gifts may significantly reduce income taxes for some donors.**
- **Planned gifts or bequests made through estate planning or trusts as well as allowances for IRA owners who must take RMDs are some of the best tax advantages of giving.**
- **Our goal is to establish an Endowment Fund to insure the continuance of When HELP Can't Wait into the future.**

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