



**Miracle Hill**  
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# Progress Report

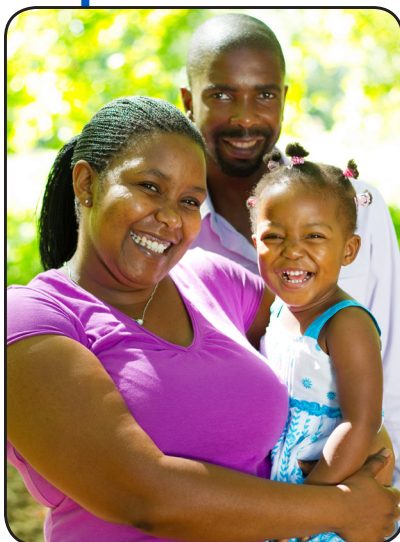
A semi-annual report to keep our supporters abreast of current happenings at Miracle Hill.

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**Impact** → Did you know that there were 1,961 individuals in the Upstate counted as homeless in January 2015<sup>1</sup>? That includes 1,076 in Greenville County, 364 in Spartanburg County, and 84 in Cherokee County. However, there are numerous people that were not counted because they were sleeping on a friend's sofa or otherwise without shelter (in cars, etc.).

On any given day, Miracle Hill helps on average 560 people. We are the Upstate's largest provider of shelter, food and hope to homeless children and adults, with a Christ-centered, relationship driven approach that enables children, women and men to make a fresh start. Our approach is to show compassion toward our clients and provide them with the necessary tools to turn their lives around through God's grace.

We couldn't do this work without you. Thank you for sharing your time, talents and treasure with those in need.



There are many ways you can invest your time and talents in the lives of the people at Miracle Hill. To learn more, please call 864.268.4357 or visit us online at [MiracleHill.org](http://MiracleHill.org).

**Mission & Vision** → In order to better reflect the good we're seeking to do in the world, the Board modified Miracle Hill's mission statement in December to: ***Miracle Hill exists that homeless children and adults receive food and shelter with compassion, hear the Good News of Jesus Christ, and move toward healthy relationships and stability.***

Miracle Hill's vision is that each Upstate South Carolina county has adequate and accessible housing options for homeless men, women, and children. Our compassionate services point individuals to Christ and move them toward wholeness, stability, and healthy critical relationships.

-Miracle Hill plays a leadership and facilitative role, with local services shaped by and made possible through resources provided by like-minded Christians in the communities served.

-Miracle Hill is a catalyst for spiritual, emotional and physical health for those who serve as well for those served.

Thank you for supporting our efforts here at Miracle Hill.

<sup>1</sup>Source: 2015 SC Point in Time (PIT) Count; South Carolina Coalition for the Homeless

**Coalition** → Our CEO, Reid Lehman, recently participated in a homelessness leadership task force to develop a collective approach to reduce homelessness in Greenville County. The group of homeless providers, city and county officials, and healthcare providers developed a white paper that “outlines the current situation, identifies the major weaknesses in our system, and recommends a series of actions to close those gaps.”

To view the white paper, please visit <https://miraclehill.org/white-paper/>.



**Brand** → We recently refreshed our brand and guidelines through a comprehensive review and planning process. The fresh, new brand is reflected on our thrift trucks and in other communications. As part of the process we also updated our tagline to: **Shelter, food and miracles. Every day.**

Please tell us what you think via email at [mhmi@miraclehill.org](mailto:mhmi@miraclehill.org).

**Achievements** → Miracle Hill was designated a 2015 “Best Christian Workplace” by a national organization. We appreciate that acknowledgement and are continuously striving to improve our hiring and orientation practices and staff retention rates so that we can continue to move the needle in the right direction.

We also received the coveted four-star Charity Navigator award once again for sound fiscal management - the highest rating given by Charity Navigator.

Each month we celebrate our graduates from our residential, Christ-centered addiction recovery programs – Overcomers (men) and Renewal (women). We are proud that our 2013 addiction recovery graduation class (108) has experienced a 70.4% success rate based on a survey conducted twelve months after graduation.

-43.5% of the graduates had not engaged in substance abuse since graduation

-26.9% of the graduates lapsed briefly but were living successfully when surveyed

**Please plan to join us for the next monthly graduation! Call 864.268.4357 or email [mhmi@miraclehill.org](mailto:mhmi@miraclehill.org) for more information.**



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