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## **Miracle Hill's Annual Fundraising Banquet raises \$500k for the needy and hurting in the Upstate of South Carolina**

GREENVILLE, SC (March 17, 2022) After a two-year hiatus, Miracle Hill Ministries celebrated their Annual Fundraising Banquet in person. Under the theme **Love Bold**, donors, volunteers, staff members, and friends of the ministry gathered to commemorate God's work and the outpouring of love by the community in 2021. This event was possible thanks to the generosity of valuable sponsors and community partners.

The night was filled with emotion. Three stories of love and redemption were presented as testimonies of the work the ministry does in the Upstate. One family shared their foster care and adoption journey. A program graduate, David, shared his story of freedom from life-dominating substances. And Toni, lifted the audience by praising the Lord for being reunited with her daughters after struggling with homelessness.

During his remarks, Ryan Duerk, President and CEO, mentioned: "For 85 years Miracle Hill has had the biblical mandate to minister to the poor, the hurting, and the orphans. Standing firm on the Gospel we decided to stop all government funding starting July 1, 2021. Thereby, we strive to continue fulfilling our mission to impact the most vulnerable with the truth of Jesus Christ."

Despite the challenges of the past years, the ministry's impact on the community was great. In 2021 Miracle Hill served 3,176 men, women, and children; provided over 10,000 emergency shelter beds, and served 319,939 meals throughout their programs. Furthermore, the most important statistic shared by Duerk was the number of individuals that gave their lives to the Lord: 139.

The donations received from the Banquet will be used to attend to the needs of the ministry's four rescue missions, two addiction recovery programs, sixteen transitional housing facilities, a foster care community, a foster care program, a food ministry distribution center, eight thrift stores, and an auto sales operation.

### **About Miracle Hill Ministries**

Miracle Hill Ministries is the Upstate's largest, most comprehensive provider of services to homeless children and adults. Serving the Upstate since 1937, Miracle Hill's programs include rescue shelters for the homeless, residential addiction recovery, transitional housing, foster care, and food box distribution. Miracle Hill's eight thrift stores provide employment opportunities for the community as well as former Miracle Hill guests. Miracle Hill has been awarded the Certificate of Excellence as a Certified Mission by [City Gate Network](#), a distinction given to fewer than 30 missions nationwide. Additionally, Miracle Hill's foster care program has been accredited by [CARF International](#). For more information about Miracle Hill, please visit [www.MiracleHill.org](http://www.MiracleHill.org) or call 864.268.4357. Find us on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#), and [Instagram](#).