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## HAPPY NEW YEAR



### New Year....New Duplexes!

#### Please join us!

We're so excited to break ground on two new duplexes this year. Please join us for the celebration on Friday, February 8 at 11 a.m. Immediately following will be light refreshments in our Resource Center. We are thankful to those that have given already to this project and look forward to celebrating with others who will donate towards Duplexes 7 & 8. We need to raise \$40,000 to finish the project. Please help us house up to 12 additional families each year. [Every donation counts.](#)



**Join Us As We Break Ground On Two New Duplexes For Homeless Families.**

**Friday, February 8 at 11:00 AM**

2875 Highland Avenue NE, Hickory, NC 28601



Thank you Cannon Foundation, Kulynych Foundation, Huggins Family Fund, North Carolina Housing Finance Agency and many more who have supported this project. We will keep you updated!

#### Staff Spotlight

Our staff spotlight this month is on our Family Services Social Worker, Stephanie Parks. Stephanie has been with Family Care Center for 6 years this month. She works with our families to develop a case management plan, meets with them weekly and supports the families with additional services as needed. Stephanie is a wonderful part of our staff and truly cares about all our guests.

Family Care Center of Catawba Valley, Inc. was one of twenty nine organizations to recently receive a grant from the Sisters of Mercy of North



Carolina Foundation. Family Care Center was awarded a \$35,000 grant in support of their full-time social worker's salary.

"Part of the mission of Sisters of Mercy of North Carolina Foundation is to improve the quality of life for the economically poor, especially women, children, and elderly, by supporting social service organizations that have systemic impact and empower those without a voice," said Jane Earnest, Executive Director of Family Care Center. "Our full-time social worker, whose salary will be partially funded by this grant, helps families create and implement a realistic plan for securing income and permanent housing."

"We are very grateful for the support received from the Sisters of Mercy of North Carolina Foundation," she added. "This financial assistance will have an important impact on our homeless families as they work towards becoming self-sufficient."

Since 1996, the Sisters of Mercy of North Carolina Foundation has awarded 1,913 grants on behalf of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas South Central Community, totaling more than \$86 million to organizations serving un-served or under-served populations. To learn more about the Sisters of Mercy of North Carolina Foundation, please visit the website [here](#).

## Church Spotlight

Family Care Center is blessed to be the recipient of many area churches' generosity. We want to recognize Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, located at 2780 N. Center St. in Hickory as our January Church in the Spotlight! From quilts to paper towels, cleaning supplies to garden tools and plants, this church has met so many of our needs to support our homeless families. They even provide housing to one of our families in need. We are so thankful for their outreach to Family Care Center. For more information on Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, click [here](#).



**Thank you December donors....you will help us keep Christmas the whole year through.**

### Hickory Churches:

**Corinth Reformed Church**

**First Presbyterian Church**

**First United Methodist Church, Women's Bible Class**

**Holy Trinity Lutheran Church  
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\*We extend a heartfelt thank you to the community for the many in-kind donations to our agency.

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