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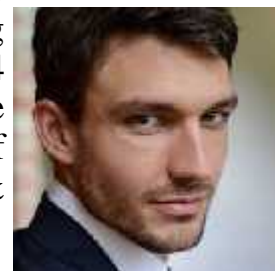
THIRD ANNUAL CAR CITY SEPTEMBER 16-17

CENTRAL GEORGIA TECHNICAL COLLEGE 5 PM TO 7 AM



The Ignitions are on and the Engines are RevvedFamily Promise of Greater Houston County will begin its Third Annual CAR CITY event Friday evening, September 16, 2016 at Central Georgia Technical College. Volunteers and community leaders will spend a night in their cars to experience homelessness and raise awareness of the 470+ homeless children and their families in Houston County. Although a serious need in our community, the event will feature a night of fun and entertainment along with a bit of education as we raise funds to support the work of FPGHC.

We are excited to have **Nashville entertainer Colby Dee** and **TV/movie actor Jerad Leland** join us this year! Our MC for the evening will be **Amanda Miliner, 2015 Georgia Teacher of the Year**. Amanda has been a faithful volunteer for the past two years and we are pleased she is taking on this new role. As the 2007 Miss Georgia for the Miss America pageant, 2008 Miss Georgia USA, and the recipient of many other awards, Amanda's first love is teaching and she carries that over in her support of homeless children and their families. She will be introducing other performers on tap for the evening including: Jadis Marcum, G-Swag - Destined 4 Greatness (of Union Grove Baptist Church), Melanie Woods, Miss Northside High School, Heart of Georgia Barbershop Chorus, and Faith, Hope & Love Trio.



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Our Soup Line will again be provided by Scout Troop 566, and we look forward to another amazing table of homemade cookies by local Girl Scouts 60185. Other activities include an outdoor movie, popcorn, marshmallow roasting, and a Flashlight Scavenger Hunt. Breakfast for overnighters will be served at 6 AM.

CAR CITY is also a fund raiser—overnight participants obtain sponsors to pay for their “Parking Space” for a minimum of \$100 per vehicle. Each \$100 or more individual donor also receives a tee-shirt. Event Sponsors—BetrOptions and Central Georgia Technical College [in-kind] - “Set the Pace” for businesses, organizations, and individuals who sponsor “Parking Lots”: Diamond Sponsors, the “Priority Lot”; Ruby Sponsors, the “Prime Lot”; Sapphire Sponsors, the “Reserved Lot”; and Emerald Sponsors, the “Fleet Lot”.

Those who just want to come to participate for an evening of fun and entertainment are asked to make a minimum donation of \$10. Details may be found in the brochures, flyers, and registration forms on our website, www.fphope.org.

Many Thanks to those who Participate in any Way!

Ending HomelessnessOne Family At A Time

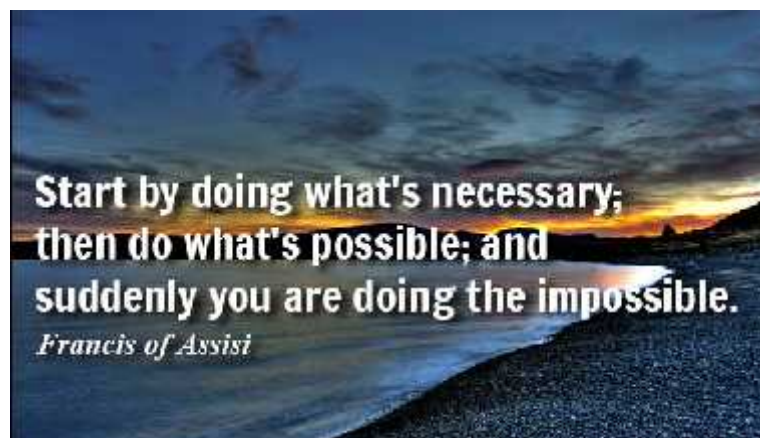
Director's Corner

By: Nicole Rosser

We know that all of our families work hard to save money while in the Family Promise Program. Each family has a different income and different expenses, so the amount each family is able to save will vary but we wanted to take the time to acknowledge Michelle. Over the past 3 months she has worked 3 part time jobs and saved a total of \$1,700. She will be moving into permanent housing in September. Kudos, Michelle!



Big Mike and Little Mike have officially moved into their new home and
Little Mike has started kindergarten.
Congratulations to both of you!!





We love to see happy families, as you can see from the photos below. **Christmas in July was a huge success!** We were able to provide school clothes for 15 Family Promise Children (current and past guests). \$1,000 was donated; **A huge thank you to the donors who supported this project.** Your sacrifices provided great relief to our hard-working parents. We would also like to thank the elves that assisted with shopping: Carolyn Bonner, Lisa Krimmer, Deanna Schultz, First Christian Church, Shirley Hills Baptist Church, and Footprints Spa.



Elves



Gifts



Little Mike



Twaina Elf



Marranda



Teens



Frankie

Kroger Community Rewards Re-enrollment



Kroger's Atlanta Division customers and associates are eligible to re-enroll in the **Kroger Community Rewards** program. Customers and associates can designate reward points you earn to the participating schools, charity, or organization of your choice by using your Kroger Plus Card. *Organizations and schools do not need to enroll each year, but each Kroger shopper is required to re-enroll his or her Kroger Plus Card on an annual basis.* Re-enrollment is now, and dollars accumulate for your choice of charity beginning Sept. 1, 2016.

Family Promise of Greater Houston County is #76557

Further information from Kroger:

WHAT

The Kroger Community Rewards (KCR) program is evaluated annually, and the time for Kroger Plus Card holders to re-enroll is now. The Atlanta Division launched the program September 1, 2013 and Card holders must re-enroll to begin accumulating dollars for their schools, charities, and organizations annually. This year, Kroger is proud to donate \$600,000 to local schools and nonprofits through this Kroger Plus Card based fundraiser.

WHO

All organizations that have already signed up for Community Rewards **DO NOT** have to enroll again. Once an organization is signed up for the program they continue to be active. An organization's enrolled members and supporters **DO** have to re-enroll every August. They will not have to set up a new Kroger.com account only link their card again to the organization of their choosing.

WHEN

Now through August 31, 2016 customers may re-enroll. Their current selection will not be affected and continue to earn rewards through the end of this program year (August 31, 2016). Their re-enrollment organization will start earning for the new program year starting September 1, 2016.

WHERE

www.krogercommunityrewards.com

WHY

Past programs of this nature tend to lose their impact over long periods of time. Participants need to have an active role in order for the program to continue to be effective and engage our customers.

MORE INFORMATION IS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE

AND NOW FPGHC is set up to receive donations through the AmazonSmile Foundation. You can make a donation every time you make an eligible purchase using your existing Amazon.com account. Simply



go to smile.amazon.com and log in using your Amazon.com ID and password. You will be directed to select your favorite charity (Family Promise of Greater Houston County) to receive donations from eligible purchases before you begin shopping. After your selection, Amazon will remember your selected charity. After that, every eligible purchase you make will result in a donation. The Foundation will donate 0.5% of each eligible purchase to FPGHC.

A link to AmazonSmile.com is on the home page of our website.

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Houston County, Inc.**

Is a 501(c)(3) non-denominational, non-profit, organization for families in transition and part of a national organization founded in 1986. The Family Promise Network Program provides shelter, meals and support services to families without homes through a network of local congregations.

**Contributions are tax deductible
to the extent allowed by law.**

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Organization #76557**



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Dave & Carolyn Schomer

Churches:

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Organizations:

Footprints Salon, LLC

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Thank you for helping us obtain these needed items!



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