

# THE BUZZ

## News for everyone

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Genesis Project (GP) and Groundwater Solutions (GWS) are bringing back the news for everyone to continue to be in the know and for what's coming up! We believe one of the best ways for people to know is through our newsletter. The Buzz will be released every month and feature information, upcoming events, and much more! Let us know if you have news you would like to share in the newsletter to help spread to our community.

### For the Community

#### See our sites

Come see us at our different sites. We are all about service and believe in providing the best services to our community. We welcome you to come see for yourself and find out what we may can do for you.

#### COVID-19

We offer testing and vaccines. We are even mobile, so we can come to your location. See more information inside.

#### Who's Hiring?

We are always looking to build our GP and GWS family! We are looking for people to fill a couple of positions... see inside for more deals and other opportunities.



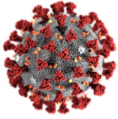


# *Genesis Project and Groundwater Solutions*



## **PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT**

Contact: Gina Holmes: 803.318.2191 or JD Davis: 704.492.7222



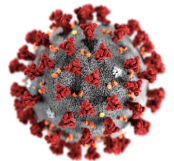
### **COVID-19 TESTING and VACCINES Are Still Available!!!**

**5104 Reagan Drive – Ste. 5 Charlotte, NC 28206**

***9:30am to 4:00pm – Monday thru Thursday***

***9:30am to 1:00pm – Fridays***

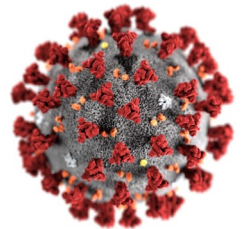
***EVEN IF YOU AND YOURS ARE VACCINATED  
TESTING STILL NEEDS TO HAPPEN***



***Sites Opportunities for one time and/or ongoing TESTING and VACCINES AVAILABLE***

#### ***Genesis Project Services Offered:***

- Community Health Workers
- Highlighting Disparities in a Myriad of life domains for people of color and historically marginalized communities
- Early Intervention and Treatment for Mental Health
- Worsening of Pre-existing Mental Health Conditions
- Intensive Treatment programs including Trauma Based and Trauma Focused
- Clinical and Recovery Support Services
- Psychosocial Rehabilitation
- Case Management Services
- Peer Support Services
- Peer Based Mobile Medical Clinic (TBA)



*Genesis Project is committed to the development of programs that address the factors that perpetuate poverty, homelessness, hatred, and abuse*

***Post Office Box 560723 Charlotte NC 28256-0723***

***704.596.0505- Office 704.596.0507- Fax***





## **WE'RE HIRING**

**Who's hiring:** Genesis Project & Ground Water Solutions

**When:** Wednesday, April 6th 2022

**Time:** 10:00 am until

**Where:** 5104 Reagan Dr

Charlotte, NC 28206

**We are looking for:**

QPs, Counselor IIs, Dr's, CPSSs

- Bring your resumes

*Lunch Boxes for first 100 Resumes*



**Krustaceans  
Seafood**

# NOW HIRING



**JOIN OUR TEAM**

Line Staff - \$15.00/hour  
Dishwashers - \$13.00/hour  
Cashiers - \$12.00/hour plus tips

Walk-In Interviews  
2:00pm-4:00pm  
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday  
or  
for more information email  
[management@krustaceansclt.com](mailto:management@krustaceansclt.com)

# Crisis Intervention Team



If you or someone you know is currently in crisis, please call 911 and ask for a CIT officer or Mobile Crisis at 704-566-3410 and Select Option 1.

## **A pre-booking Jail Diversion Program**

CIT is a community-based collaboration between law enforcement, mental health agencies, consumers and family members, National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)-Charlotte, and Central Piedmont Community College (CPCC).

Law Enforcement Officers are frequently front-line responders to persons in crisis with a serious mental illness. In an effort to better prepare officers to respond to these individuals, a number of communities (more than 500 in the US) have developed a **Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)** program. These initiatives are modeled after the parent program which began in 1988 in Memphis, Tennessee.

### The Three Components of CIT Programs:

1. **Intensive training** - Police officers and other first responders receive up to 40 hours of training regarding mental illness, co-occurring disorders, and response strategies.
2. **Strong mental health partnerships** – Police and mobile crisis workers who respond to people in crisis seek viable options for linking individuals with mental health treatment in lieu of arrest.
3. **Significant mental health consumer and family involvement** - Consumer and family advocates are integrally involved in the design and implementation of local CIT programs.

**CIT is a specialized law enforcement response  
to people in a  
serious mental health crisis.**

Carefully selected volunteer patrol officers receive Crisis Intervention Team training in a 40-hour certification course where they learn:

- Recognizing signs of mental illness for persons in crisis
- Basic diagnosis and medication knowledge
- Verbal de-escalation skills
- Community resource information
- How CIT works and how it fits into each department's operations

### **CIT Step by Step**

1. Family member or other person calls 911 for mental health crisis.
2. Patrol Officer dispatched; if a mental health crisis is identified a CIT officer is called to the scene.
3. CIT Officer assesses situation utilizing verbal de-escalation and other learned skills then determines best course of action; if more extensive mental health assessment is needed Mobile Crisis can be called to the scene.

Mental health consumer receives appropriate services - coordination with Criminal Justice System maintains accountability.



### **CIT Program Contacts**

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Article found on- [www.mecknc.gov/HealthDepartment/CommunityHealthServices/TJP/Pages/CIT.aspx](http://www.mecknc.gov/HealthDepartment/CommunityHealthServices/TJP/Pages/CIT.aspx)

**CANNON**  
CITY COUNCIL AT-LARGE  
*"The People's Choice"*



Donations can be made  
in advance in lieu  
of convenience and absence  
by going to:  
**[www.PatrickCannon.org](http://www.PatrickCannon.org)**

# CHARLOTTEAN'S COMMUNITY CHARLOTTE FUNDRAISER

**PATRICK D. CANNON**  
for Charlotte City Council At-Large

**TUESDAY, MARCH 22, 2022**  
**6 PM - 9 PM**

**MR. CHARLES' CHICKEN & FISH**  
8006 CAMBRIDGE COMMONS DRIVE  
CHARLOTTE, NC 28215

**MAKE YOUR DONATION  
TODAY!**

**FOR SERVICE-DRIVEN,  
RESULT-ORIENTED  
BALANCED LEADERSHIP  
*LET'S GO!!!***

PAID FOR BY THE PEOPLE TO ELECT PATRICK D. CANNON

*"Standing Together for a Better Charlotte"*



# Genesis Project Family Wellness Center, Inc.

Changing the World... One Family at a Time

A 501C3 Organization EIN: 32-0210454

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

Still in need  
of  
COVID-19 Testing and Vaccines?

**On Friday, March 26, 2022  
11:00AM - Until**

Come see us in our mobile unit at the  
Corner of Raleigh and Charlotte Drive  
In Greensboro, NC

- ◆ Hotdog giveaway from 11AM to 2PM
- ◆ Career Expo Info Opportunities

For more information  
Call: 980.600.0924



**NC MedAssist**  
Dispensing Hope for the Uninsured

Saturday, March 26, 2022  
9 AM - 2 PM

Renaissance West  
STEAM Academy  
3241 New Renaissance Way  
Charlotte, NC 28208

**FREE**  
**OTC MEDICINE**  
*Giveaway*

### STOCK YOUR MEDICINE CABINET FOR FREE!

Free OTC medicine items include cold, cough, flu medicine, pain relief, vitamins, children's medicine, etc.

#### HOW IT WORKS:

- Stop by from 9 AM - 2 PM for FREE OTC products.
- If you want to request specific medications, you can pre-order online: [www.medassist.org/mobile](http://www.medassist.org/mobile) and pick up your order during our event.
- You may pick up items for a friend or family member.

#### NO APPOINTMENT OR PRE-REGISTERING REQUIRED.

If you do not pre-register, you can come by and pick up a pre-packaged bag of medication while supplies last.

### THIS EVENT IS OPEN TO EVERYONE

All NC residents are welcome. No income requirements to receive products.  
No I.D. required. Must be 18 years or older. This event is rain or shine.



**BROUGHT TO YOU BY:**

**Dr. Brad and  
Mrs. Sherri Bissell**

NC MedAssist is a nonprofit pharmacy providing access to prescription medications to qualified uninsured North Carolina residents. We also provide over-the-counter (OTC) medications at no charge to all through Mobile Free Pharmacy events or at our store location in Charlotte.

Learn how to receive free prescription medication at [www.medassist.org](http://www.medassist.org).

