

R.I.C.'s Market Foundation Autumn Newsletter



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R.I.C.'S MARKET

ACCESS TO HEALTHY FOOD SHOULD NOT BE A LUXURY



TOP NEWS

3RD ANNUAL CANCER SUPPORT AUCTION: THANK YOU TO ALL PARTICIPANTS!

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During Black Philanthropy Month we successfully held our first ever LIVE virtual AND in-person auction. Thanks to you, we raised over \$7,000 in cash & in-kind donations to help cancer patients & survivors purchase healthy food. Special shoutout to AmeriHealth Caritas for the use of their facility and Alexis for crocheting each of the lapghans for our recipients as well as EYG Photography & Home2Suites by Hilton!



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WALMART WILKINSON BLVD RE-GRAND OPENING POWERED BY BUBBA WALLACE AND 23XI RACING

R.I.C.'s Market Chairman Angela Gray continued to support our mission by representing the Foundation at the Walmart Re-Grand opening event on Wilkinson Boulevard in Charlotte, North Carolina. The event was well attended with numerous participants interested in learning more about R.I.C.'s. We are grateful to have been awarded a \$2,500 grant from Walmart Giving to support our 2023 Holiday Sweets for Kids (#HS4K).

UPCOMING EVENTS

»»» 2023 HOLIDAY SWEETS FOR KIDS #HS4K

It's that time of the year again!! Last year, we were able to donate 500 gift boxes for homeless children in Charlotte, NC that included a \$10 or \$25 grocery store gift card, a mini gingerbread house kit, and holiday sweets. We also provided 27 hotel/motel-friendly appliances experiencing homelessness to continue support beyond the holidays. Last month the USDA reported that the number of children facing food insecurity last year increased to over 3 million children here in the United States, "Children are usually shielded from the disrupted eating patterns and reduced food intake that characterize very low food security. However, households with very low food security among children reported that children were hungry, skipped a meal, or did not eat for a whole day because there was not enough money for food." https://www.ers.usda.gov/webdocs/publications/107703/err-325_summary.pdf?v=3087



Help us fill the box!

Cash Donation

- \$10 will cover the cost of the graham cracker gingerbread house kit
- \$25 the cost of a grocery store gift card
- \$50 will provide a box for 1 homeless child
- \$100 provides 2-3 small hotel-motel-friendly cooking appliances i.e. slow cookers, air fryers, etc.
- \$250 will provide boxes for 5 homeless children

Shop our Amazon Wishlist

<https://www.amazon.com/registries/guest-view/1XJQ0ZNTSBNAR>

Matching Donation

Establish a Matching Donation

Participate In our #HS4K Challenge

Make a holiday sweet, post-it, tag #HS4K & @ricsmarket & challenge your friends and family to do the same! Need more information or inspiration see our website: <https://www.ricsmarket.org/holiday-sweets-for-kids>
Watch our Interview with CMS regarding the impact of your donation <https://youtu.be/oljizMLNP2s?si=BvySOzQBnZLxq8Y>



UNITED HEALTHCARE AND MEDICAID EXPANSION:

>>> NORTH CAROLINA MEDICAID EXPANSION LAUNCHING DECEMBER 1, 2023

Adults ages 19 - 64 earning up to 138% of the federal poverty line (e.g., singles earning about \$20,000/year or families of three earning about \$34,000/year) may be eligible.



Beginning on Dec. 1, 2023, NC Medicaid will cover people ages 19 through 64 years with higher incomes. You may be able to get health care coverage through Medicaid even if you didn't qualify before. Medicaid pays for doctor visits, yearly check-ups, emergency care, mental health and more – at little or no cost to you.

How to apply for Medicaid:

- ePASS**
epass.nc.gov
- Paper application**
ncgov.servicenowservices.com
- In person** at your local DSS office
ncdhhs.gov/localDSS
- Call your DSS office**
ncdhhs.gov/localDSS

To learn more, visit Medicaid.ncdhhs.gov

- NC Medicaid covers most health services, including:
- Primary care so you can go to a doctor for a check-up or when you are not feeling well
 - Hospital services when you need to stay overnight (inpatient) or when you can go home the same day (outpatient)
 - Maternity and postpartum care if you are pregnant and after giving birth
 - Vision and hearing services
 - Prescription drug benefits to pay for your medicines
 - Behavioral health
 - Preventative and wellness services
 - Devices and other therapies

DON'T MISS GIVING TUESDAY

Giving Tuesday is less than 2 weeks away!

#GivingTuesdayCLI, is powered by SHARE Charlotte, and is Charlotte's local response to this global movement. Now in its 10th year, #GivingTuesdayCLI is an unprecedented collaboration of hundreds of Charlotte nonprofits as well as corporations, local businesses, community organizations, and individuals coming together to do good.

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