

A day on the links is always better than a day in the office!

2019 Putting With The Parenting PATH

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SHUGART HOMES

At the 2019 Putting With the Parenting PATH, 120 golfers took to the greens at Tanglewood. We were fortunate to have Shugart Homes return as our Title Sponsor. Many thanks to our sponsors, corporate teams, individuals and in-kind donors. Together we raised over \$18,000 to continue our mission of providing safe, stable and loving homes to children in our community.



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A Letter from the CEO

Many of The Parenting PATH programs utilize in-home visitation in our work to build strong families. Home visitation programs contribute significantly to the reduction of abuse, neglect and out of home placement for children. Last year, The Parenting PATH staff drove more than 190,000 miles to work with families.

We are excited to announce that we've been awarded a \$10,000 grant from the Ronald McDonald House Charities of North Carolina and a \$10,000 grant from The Hine Fund at Augsburg Lutheran Church in Winston-Salem, NC. These grant funds have allowed us to purchase a 2018 Toyota Sienna Mini-Van which will be a reliable and safe way to provide transportation to families, linking them to vital community resources. Thanks to additional assistance from Modern Automotive we were able stretch our dollars and get a late model, low cost van. We are so grateful for the support of these amazing organizations!

To learn more about the RMHC of NC grants, visit <http://rmhcofnc.org/>.



Gingerbread House Decorating



Come decorate a gingerbread house and support The Parenting PATH!
To reserve your spot call Mrs. Pumpkin's at 336.924.9797
Build a Memory, Start a Tradition



The Gingerbread House Decorating Event is an annual fundraiser sponsored by Mrs. Pumpkin's in Winston-Salem. The Parenting PATH has been chosen as the recipient of the proceeds for 2019 and we need your help!

Each house is \$35 and all decorating materials and candy are provided. Houses and take home kits may be reserved by calling Mrs. Pumpkin's at 336-924-9797.

Decorating slots are available at Mrs. Pumpkin's Bakery & Deli located at 3645-B Reynolda Road, Winston-Salem, NC

Friday, December 6th from 4:00pm - 8:00pm

Saturday, December 7th from 8:30am - 1:00pm

Help us brighten the holidays for our families this season by sponsoring the cost of take home kits. Staff will pick up, deliver and build houses with our families.

Call our office at 336-748-9028 for more information!

Take home kits may be picked up during decorating hours.



Exchange Club News & Events

We are grateful for the support and dedication of our local Exchange Clubs and their members. Members host fundraisers throughout the year and help raise awareness of our agency in the community.

Recently the Winston-Salem Club participated in our Annual Putting with The Parenting PATH golf tournament with teams captained by Rick Pfefferkorn and Ryland Tisdale.

The Kernersville Exchange Club hosted its Annual Roger Lee Willis “Battle of the Bowls” Chicken Stew Cook-Off on Saturday, October 12th. Six local cook teams battled for various awards and the club raised \$1,800 for their service fund which allows them to present The Parenting PATH with a donation in the spring. Participating teams included Evin Marsh - The Marsh Pit (Judge’s Choice 1st Place Winner and Best Decorated Booth), Ken Gibson - Onry & Mean Cook Team (Judge’s Choice 2nd Place Winner), Greg Spaulding - Shoney Boy’s (Judge’s Choice 3rd Place Winner and Top Fundraising Team), Terry Cheatham - Pisgah UMC, George Shull - Kernersville Exchange Club and David Templeton - Cressive View Farms.



Notes from the Parenting PATH Fall 2019

Program Spotlight Intensive Family Preservation Services

The Parenting PATH provides Intensive Family Preservation Services (IFPS) to nine counties in northwest North Carolina. This program is designed to prevent out of home placement of children by providing in-home services to stabilize the family and address imminent risks to the children. IFPS staff connect families to critical community resources and help the families develop the skills they need to handle future crises successfully.

Mark and Pam Sinclair were raising their grandchildren who had been removed from parental custody due to substance use issues. The Sinclairs were referred to The Parenting PATH by a local department of social services after Pam had a physical altercation with one of the children who had violated curfew. Two of the three children were teenagers, and the Sinclairs were struggling with communication, parenting skills and discipline for their grandchildren. They described the teens as disrespectful, defiant, and unwilling to assist with household chores.

Working with the family, the IFPS worker established goals including improving communication, enhancing parenting skills and addressing family relationships. The IFPS worker was able to assist Mark and Pam in identifying adversities their grandchildren had experienced, including their biological mother’s substance use, exposure to domestic violence and being neglected by their biological parents.

Education regarding Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) helped Mark and Pam understand how trauma may impact their grandchildren’s development and behavior. The IFPS worker shared communication strategies and helped them navigate difficult topics like curfews and relationships.

At the conclusion of services, Mark stated that the IFPS worker’s “presence in my house, instead of making me nervous, make me comfortable... you made us feel like we were important, instead of a couple of old people who didn’t know what we were doing, raising children”. In 2018-19, through funding from North Carolina DHHS, The Parenting PATH was able to serve 116 families!

Did you know?

- 93% of families completing IFPS avoided out of home placement for their children six months after closure.
- 88% of families completing IFPS avoided out of home placement for their children 12 months after closure.



Below are just a few of the ways our families have described our IFPS staff and program.

