



NEW CITY, SAME MISSION

January 22nd wound up being a huge date for Ricky's Hope Incorporated. We relocated our headquarters to Greensboro, NC.

Heavy prayer and meditation lead our organization to a cross road and as much as we love the city of Raleigh, we felt that God was taking us in a new direction.

The Duchess League (<u>www.duchessleague.org</u>) of Raleigh, NC has agreed to take over services in the Raleigh area.

We will continue our Lovefest for The People Events. We are beyond proud to partner with these young women and are beyond excited about where this is taking us. We never know the direction God is taking us, we just follow our calling.







2017-2018 WAS AMAZING

In 2017 we felt that more could be done to assist those in need, so we forged forward to begin serving our fellow men and women in the Raleigh area.

Along with several restaurants and many volunteers we had our first LoveFest for the People. This event allowed us to feed approximately 150 individuals. We are grateful to Vintage Church located at 118 South Person Street Raleigh, NC for allowing us to use their church to feed each individual.

In 2018 we were able to increase the services offered at the event, by partnering with The Duchess League (www.duchessleague.org) and connecting with several barbers in the area.

Few answered the call but the five that did were a true blessing and showed that they were ready to make a change.

Thank you to the following Barbers for giving of their Saturday:

Devin Hoffler- (Raleigh, NC)

Jay Vaughn (Newport News, Virginia)

Brian "The Barber" Henderson (Raleigh, NC)

Adrian Wilerson (Raleigh, NC)

Ron Williams (Raleigh, NC)

To say this event was a success would be a complete understatement. We fed over 260 individuals. Men, women and children received haircuts at no cost. There was encouragement and it was an amazing time for us all.

Our hope is 2019 will be a larger event. July 20, 2019 is the date for our next event. If you are interested in volunteering please contact The Duchess League coordinators at contact@duchessleague.org or Ricky's Hope Incorporated at ceo@rickyshope.com.

This year we are focusing on four projects. Each one very significant to not only RHI but to each person we touch. As we forge forward please keep your prayers focused on each of us.







WORDS FROM OUR CEO LISA "NIKKI" COX

As I sit here and reflect over the past four years, I can honestly say that I am not only amazed, but I am truly at a loss for words. First, I want to thank everyone who has stood behind me and Ricky's Hope Incorporated.

From its inception the goal has been and always will be to show that people truly care for others. To show compassion to your fellow man and to uplift each individual with a kind word and a blessing. We do not take this mission lightly and we are particular about who we let in, there are a lot of mouth pieces out there, but we want to build something greater than just a name.

As 2019 rolls around RHI is planning on doing a lot more for the community. In conversing with my Vice President his one question was, "I know we want to help with food and etc., but what are people actually doing to empower the less fortunate. With job security and finances and etc."

My answer was we are going to have to do more...this year our goal is to empower each individual with more knowledge. Knowledge to balance their finances and their lives, knowledge that includes possibly returning them to school to complete what they started. We also are looking to partner with companies looking for employees. If you are a company and are looking to employ individuals, please contact us. We would love to bring you good solid employees. Let's make 2019 a year for change shall we.

I am grateful for every one of you and Let's Do This!!

Lisa "Nikki" Cox