

2015



# **Veteran's Ribbon Cutting Ceremony**

Unity Foundation Group, Inc. had a fun filled day with our veterans, guest speaker Clayton County Commissioner Jeff Turner, and our special guest Command Sargent Major Retired Anthony Daniel.

UFG's Ribbon Cutting Ceremony culminated a long awaited celebration of housing veterans. Balloons were released as a sign of patriotism saluting our heroes. A new day approaches to house those that are sleeping under bridges, napping in parked cars, and covered up with card board boxes. "Home sweet home" states one Veteran, as he is welcomed by his new neighbor of Clayton County.

We believe one veteran, one house, and one community at a time.



# Home Sweet Home



Clayton County Commissioner Jeff Turner celebrates with UFG Director homelessness being defeated one house at a time with sponsor Wells Fargo.

All In on Ending Veteran Homelessness Veterans Today. www.veteranstoday. Five years ago, the Obama Administration set an ambitious goal: to end homelessness among veterans by the end of 2015. Many scoffed; many continue to scoff.

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#### **Special Interests:**

- Veterans Families
- Community Outreach Involvement
- Relationship Building
- Job Skills & Education Training
- Spiritual Counseling
- Small Businesses
- Housing





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# Sponsors in the Spotlight 2015

#### **Visio Financial Services**

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- Visio Financial

After researching several companies, the best option was Visio, and we are happy we chose them!

Louis Cuneo, Visio Account Executive, was a personable professional and assisted us in receiving financing to remodel our housing facility for transitional Veterans. Once Louis received the required documents he responded promptly. Louis was very reliable and followed up with us even after funding. Visio Financial Services stands by their word and will be changing the lives of our nation's heroes one community at a time.



Left to right UFG Director Lisa George, staff Charles Lee, Eva Hill, (Honored Guest) Retired Command Sargent Major Anthony Daniel, staff Terea Skrine and Rodney Tweedy.



Retired CSM Anthony Daniel and Lisa George Director

By creating programs that enable local housing providers to effectively acquire, manage, rehabilitate and sell foreclosed properties. NCST works to ensure the success of community-based strategies to stabilize neighborhoods and to ensure that more homeownership and rental housing is made available to low-and moderate-income families.

Unity Foundation Group, Inc. would like to thank our community partners in making this event an huge success:

#### **Principal Donors**

Wells Fargo
UFG Board Members
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# Major Donors Chick Fil A

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#### **Patron Donors**

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# Our Mission for Veterans

# Unity Foundation Group, Inc.

is a tax-exempt (501c3) Georgia non-profit corporation that provides counseling, resources and transitional services that promote and support the positive spiritual, emotional and behavioral transformations of individuals and families in crisis. Through the *Transitioning Veterans to Civilian Life* program, **UFG** provides a range of muchneeded support to active duty and retired military members and their families.

Working collaboratively with

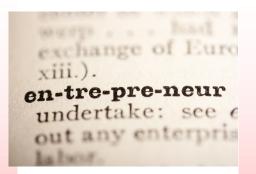
other area providers, UFG will

implement a diverse program of both on / off-site support services. Key services are as follows:



- Full Scale Assessments
- Addiction Recovery
- Referrals for Job Placement
- Counseling
- Life Skills Training
- Social Activities
- Educational Support
- Case Management
- Mental Health Links
- Clothing & Food Bank
- Transitioning to Civilian Life

# **UFG Welcomes New Initiative**



The Urban Entrepreneur Initiative (UEI) was conceived by Peter Justen, CEO of Washington, DC-based Five Plus, and Deardra Campbell, Managing Principal of The Green-Campbell Group. Their shared philosophy of using small business as an economic development tool culminated in their quest to make a meaningful donation of much needed resources to inner-city entrepreneurs, particularly those

in manufacturing-reliant cities that have been heavily affected for decades by production declines in the manufacturing sector. UEI launched in Gary, Indiana on August 22, 2013 in what Justen and Campbell hope will be the first of many other cities across the nation. To help make that hope a reality, the pair has pledged to make similar donations to any U.S. city also willing to bet on entrepreneurship.

# Urban Initiative Partners with UFG



As part of the Urban Entrepreneur Initiative in each city, Five Plus will donate a minimum of 1,000 licenses of Five Plus Trax, the company's cloud-computing dashboard application that gives small business owners easy-to-understand, real-time access to key data that can help them make better, faster decisions concerning their company's finances.

The Green-Campbell Group will provide small business start-up training for entrepreneurs using Business Basics, a curriculum Campbell developed that has been used to successfully train more than 17,000 entrepreneurs across the country.

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

# The Veteran Housing Ribbon Cutting Ceremony

Unity Foundation Group, Inc., will be hosting its first veterans ribbon cutting ceremony, Friday, June 26, 2015 at 12 noon. We will be celebrating our nation's heroes entering a five bedroom two bath luxury home. Attendees are: Guest speaker Clayton County Commissioner Jeff Turner.; local sponsors, UFG board members and staff; and special Guest 27 year veteran, Command Sergeant Major Retied Anthony Daniel.

#### **Veterans Youth Community Bash Event**

July 4th, 2015 at 10am-3pm

A fun filled day of positive talks, relationship building and teaching on having a safe and productive summer.

Back 2 School Bash 2015
July 31, 2015 @ 3:00pm-6:00pm



We offer workshops that includes:

- Relationship Building
- Separation Anxiety
- Anger Management
- Post Traumatic Stress Disorder
- Iob Readiness
- Reinventing Yourself
- Small Business Ownership
- Time Management
- Self Reflection
- Self Evaluation

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To make a donation and help us enrich, empower, and encourage the lives of our veterans and their families please mail donations to:

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# WORKSHOPS





# **Group Sessions**



There is a backlog of 1.2 million claims at the Veterans Administration. The VA application process remains complicated and adversarial. Veterans are not automatically enrolled in the VA, as many people think, when they finish their military service. They need help finding VA facilities, completing complicated applications, managing the application process and appealing rejected claims. Many Veterans who are disabled and unable to work due to war trauma are waiting months and years for benefits they were promised and have earned. This results in many Vets with significant financial problems that can end up homeless or worse.