





Back 2 School Bash 2013

Unity Foundation Group's annual Back 2 School Bash held in Riverdale, Georgia

was a huge success! Veteran participants from Spalding, Henry, Clayton, Coweta, and Fayette Counties were given the successful tools for school! The veterans' children received brand new backpacks -- filled to capacity with school supplies -- to help them get off to a great start in the upcoming school year. Food, face-painting and other age-appropriate activities were offered throughout the day, making this free event fun for the entire family. Our goal was met by the support from our Principal, Maior, and Patron donors below and community volunteers whom devoted their time and support for a worthy cause.





Sponsors in the Spotlight

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

> **Principal Donors** Walmart Chick Fil A Office Depot

Major Donors

Krispy Kreme Natalie Michele Marketing Clayton Co. Fire Dept. Lotus Bakery

Patron Donors

Pointe South Cleaners Greater Faith Ministries Helen Callaway Mary Richardson

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Special Interests:

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

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*

Working collaboratively with other area providers, UFG will

Safety First

Lisa George, Executive Director learned the importance of suiting up for the emergency call and just how heavy and hot the uniforms are. She gained a greater appreciation for the Clayton County Fire Department.

The Clayton Co. Fire Department is a community-based organization focused on excellence in customer service. Their primary responsibility is to respond to emergencies and to protect the citizens of Clayton County.

Got Brains?

Local Veteran retiree and her three sons, played games and completed puzzles to see who was the sharpest crayon in the box. " This is what we were looking for. A place to help us and our children. We appreciate Unity Foundation Group in the community", says retiree.

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





UPCOMING EVENTS

Unity Foundation Group, Inc. is getting ready for its annual Veterans Christmas Program. Partnering with *Toys for Tots*, this program is to help our veterans who has served this country feel that they are very much appreciated in every way. UFG wants to make it just a little easier for their families to have a good Christmas by giving away toys, coats, and health bags filled with hygiene products. The children will be decorating stockings, playing reindeer games, and taking pictures with our special guest from the North Pole– Santa Clause.

Please visit our website and register for the upcoming *Grant Writing* Workshop in October 2013. Visit site for details and more information.



We offer workshops that includes:

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

WORKSHOPS





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Group Sessions



There is a backlog of 1.2 million claims at the Veterans Admini-

stration. 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 signifi-