

# Shelby Emergency Assistance

HELPING PEOPLE MOVE FROM CRISIS  
TO SELF-SUFFICIENCY



## ANNUAL REPORT

2017

# THE OPPORTUNITY

*to lead*

## Year in Review

SEA's past year was a 'building' year in many ways. We served more clients, improved interagency coordination, and increased our outreach and public relations efforts. We were fortunate to have a UM Marketing student intern work with us on expanding our social media presence and increasing the community's awareness of our services to individuals and families in crisis.

Also during 2017, renovation work began on the new SEA office. Our Board members spent many hours reviewing building plans, helping with landscaping, and keeping the project on track. While work was underway on the renovations, there was also work on developing new services to be offered at the new building. Collaborative efforts were initiated with the University of Montevallo's Dietetics Program, Community Organic Garden, Central Alabama Community College, and Shelby County Extension Service. We are excited about working with these organizations in providing programs to help people have healthier and more productive lives. We look forward to the upcoming year and the possibilities ahead.

Karen Pendleton  
Executive Director

## Our Vision

**To provide temporary emergency assistance to Shelby county residents who, due to a crisis, cannot meet their current basic needs. This is achieved by providing direct social services, utilizing and developing community resource referrals, training and educational services.**



SEA Board Members Martha McMinn and Herschel Hale

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# THE OPPORTUNITY *to make an impact*

## ***SOCIAL SERVICES***

SEA's social services are provided by licensed social service professionals who complete assessments, develop service plans, and provide assistance to stabilize the crisis situation. The case workers are knowledgeable of local resources and often collaborate with other agencies to better serve individuals and families in our community.



### FOOD ASSISTANCE PROVIDED TO

**1,435** INDIVIDUALS

Food donations are received from churches, businesses, schools, and individuals. During summer months, produce is provided by the University of Montevallo Organic Garden, local Farmers Markets, and individuals.

## **1,882** INDIVIDUALS ASSISTED THROUGH OUR SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT

### SERVICES INCLUDE: **796** Social Work Assessments

- Housing assistance provided for **85** individuals
- Power assistance for **505** individuals to prevent disconnection
- Water bill assistance to **151** individuals to prevent disconnection
- Gas Heating bill assistance for **14** individuals
- Home visits to provide services to **26** individuals



- Purchase of **128** prescriptions
- Financial assistance for **122** doctor and dentist visits

# THE OPPORTUNITY *to learn*

## ***EDUCATION SERVICES***

In 2017 there were **731** individuals who received services from the Education Department. One of the services provided is budget management. The client attends a budget session and together a spending plan is developed. This may include ways to make better spending choices, tips for shopping more economically and debt reduction. The end result is a reasonable plan for the client to meet his/her household expenses.

### *Services include:*

- **173** Budgeting Assistance
- **65** Job and resume search services provided
- **5** Pharmaceutical Assistance Applications
- **6** Homes received Smoke Alarm installation



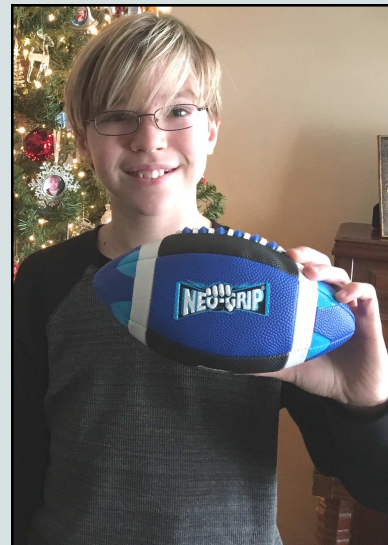
A session teaching Budgeting skills.

## ***OTHER SERVICES***

School supplies for  
**132** children



Project Christmas assistance  
for **214** children



# THE OPPORTUNITY *to grow*

## *S.T.E.P. SERVICES*

Shelby Teens for Effective Parenting, STEP, is available to pregnant or parenting teens (ages 12-19) who are residents of Shelby County. STEP meets on a weekly basis at Shelby County Schools and the classes are designed to directly impact the physical and emotional well being of teen parents. Lessons include prenatal and parenting topics.



### Letter from a Former STEP Teen

Hi, my name is Allison. I became pregnant my freshman year in high school. I participated in your program until I graduated in 2015. I am currently in my 2<sup>nd</sup> year in college, and just wanted to reach out and say how grateful I am for your program. It gave me the confidence I needed to be a mother and continue my education. You guys are invaluable. Everything I learned through your program I still continue to pass on even now when my daughter is six years old! So thank you!

*Allison*

### Congratulations to 2017 Seniors



*The goal is to promote healthy babies and moms, educate parenting teens to care for their children; support healthy lifestyle choices while encouraging school attendance and graduation.*

### In 2017:

- **26** teens participated in STEP
- **94%** of the teens maintained school enrollment
- Of **10** births to teens, all were healthy babies with birth weights (5 lbs, 8 oz+)

# THE OPPORTUNITY

*to serve our community*

## ***VOLUNTEERS***

SEA started with a few volunteers who came together to help people in need. Since that time, volunteers have been a vital part of SEA's day-to-day operation, helping with a variety of services. Our volunteers come with differing backgrounds and experience, but they all have one thing in common – a desire to help others. SEA is grateful for these volunteers and their giving hearts.

In 2017:

- **69** Volunteers provided office/ clerical services, assisted with the food pantry, delivered supplies, and provided direct assistance to clients.
- Volunteers provided over **1,248** hours of service.



Volunteers from Living River's Mission Camp.



UM Falcon Scholar helping with phone duties.



Summer Harvest student with fresh picked vegetables for clients.

***Special thanks to the following organizations for their on-going collaboration and support of SEA's services.***

*A. C. Legg*  
*Alacare Home Health & Hospice*  
*AmStar Cinema*  
*Anglican Church of the Holy Comforter*  
*Asbury United Methodist Church*  
*Cahaba Timber*  
*Calera High School*  
*Calera Library*  
*Calera Middle School*  
*Central Alabama Community College*  
*Christ Central Church*  
*Community Foundation of Greater Birmingham*  
*Community of Hope*  
*Crosscreek Baptist Church*  
*Dr. and Mrs. Gary Howard*  
*Ebenezer United Methodist Church*  
*First Presbyterian Church of Alabaster*  
*Helena First United Methodist Church*  
*Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity*  
*Lucky's Foodland, Montevallo*  
*Mahan Creek Dental*  
*Main Street Tavern*  
*Middle Alabama Area Agency on Aging*  
*Montevallo Civitan Club*  
*Montevallo Evening Garden Club*  
*Montevallo First Baptist Church*  
*Montevallo First United Methodist Church*  
*Montevallo Main Street Players*  
*Montevallo Middle School Leaders of Tomorrow*  
*Montevallo Presbyterian Church*  
*Montevallo Study Club*  
*Oak Mountain Ministries*  
*Pic 'n Save, Montevallo*  
*Publix, Alabama*  
*Regions Bank, Montevallo*  
*Shelby Baptist Association*  
*Shelby County Commission*  
*Shelby County Community Health Foundation*  
*Seaman Foundation*  
*Shiloh Baptist Church*  
*Smitherman's Pharmacy*  
*Spring Creek Cumberland Presbyterian Church*  
*Southside Baptist Church*  
*Specification Rubber*  
*St. Andrew's Episcopal Church*  
*St. Thomas Catholic Church*  
*State Farm Insurance/Bob Butterworth*  
*Trustmark Bank*  
*University Baptist Church*  
*University of Montevallo*  
*William O. Jones Lodge 971*  
*Zapopan Mexican Restaurant, Montevallo*

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# ***SHELBY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE***

## **Clients Served**

Alabaster	244
Calera	321
Chelsea	23
Columbiana	147
Harpersville	17
Helena	72
Leeds	15
Maylene	49
Montevallo	792
North Shelby	105
Pelham	112
Shelby	38
Sterrett	21
Vincent	36
Westover	9
Wilsonville	52
Wilton	23
Out of County	27
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,103</b>

## **Funding Sources for 2017**

United Way of Central Alabama	\$221,951
Federal Grants and Contracts	\$166,077
Contributions	\$ 25,653
City and County Funding	\$ 24,000
Thrift Store Sales	\$ 20,564
Fundraising	\$ 5,627
Other	\$ <u>329</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$464,201</b>

## **Expenditures**

Program Services	\$ 421,866
Management & General	\$ <u>42,002</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 463,868</b>

### **Shelby Emergency Assistance**

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