



A BRIGHTER DAY OUTREACH NEWSLETTER

AUGUST 2025

Brighter Days Ahead: August Community Highlights

As we complete the month of August, we are reminded of the importance of community, resilience, and hope. This season brings new opportunities for growth—not just in the programs we offer, but in the lives we touch together.

At A Brighter Day Outreach (ABDO), our mission continues to shine through every initiative, outreach, and partnership. Whether it's empowering youth, supporting families, or building stronger neighborhoods, we believe that brighter days are ahead because of the compassion and commitment of people like you.

This month's newsletter highlights upcoming events, stories of impact, and ways you can get involved. We encourage you to stay connected, share our vision, and join us in making a difference—one life, one family, one community at a time.

Thank you for standing with us. Together, we are turning challenges into opportunities and hope into action.

With gratitude and anticipation,

A Brighter Day Outreach



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Community Connections in Action

Our very own Beverly Knox Davis, Founder and President of both the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group and A Brighter Day Outreach, recently caught up with Charis Blackmon, the Executive Director of Westside Community Land Trust.

In addition to her leadership at ABDO and Historic Hoskins, Beverly also proudly serves on the Westside Community Land Trust Residential Board of Directors. Her dedication reflects a deep commitment to strengthening neighborhoods, building partnerships, and ensuring residents have a voice in shaping the future of their communities.



OUR INITIATIVES

Spotlight on Our Food Pantry Partners



At A Brighter Day Outreach (ABDO), we believe no family should have to choose between paying bills and putting food on the table. Our Food Pantry Partners make that belief a reality every single week by helping us provide canned goods, fresh produce, and household essentials to neighbors in need.

This partnership is more than just food—it's hope. Each bag of food reminds families that their community cares and that brighter days are ahead.

We extend our deepest gratitude to our dedicated partners Feeding Charlotte, Our Daily Bread Ministries and Hearts United for Good, donors, and volunteers who keep our pantry shelves stocked and our mission thriving. Together, we are combating Food Insecurities in Historic Hoskins and Beyond.



How You Can Help:

- 🛒 **Donate Food & Supplies** – Non-perishable items, and hygiene essentials are always needed.
- 💙 **Volunteer** – Help us sort, pack, and distribute food to families in need.
- 💰 **Give a Gift** – Every donation helps us keep our pantry stocked and continue serving the community.

To Donate: <https://www.zeffy.com/en-US/donation-form/every-contribution-makes-a-difference-in-fighting-hunger-and-building-brighter-days>

Thank You, Perdue! 🍗

A Brighter Day Outreach extends our heartfelt thanks to Perdue for their generous donation. Your support helps us provide nutritious food to families in need and ensures that no neighbor goes without.

Because of your kindness, we are able to continue nourishing both body and spirit in our community. Every donation makes a difference, and Perdue's commitment to giving back truly embodies the heart of community care.

Thank you for standing with us in creating brighter, healthier days for those we serve!



Monthly Initiatives: Community Give-Back Day – August 16, 2025

On August 16th, the Community HUB was filled with energy, excitement, and generosity as we hosted our Community Give-Back and Back-to-School Event. This special day brought families, neighbors, and partners together to celebrate the power of community and ensure our students are ready for a successful school year.

Thanks to the support of our volunteers and generous donors, we were able to provide:

- 🎒 Backpacks and school supplies for local students
- 🍏 Free meals and refreshments for families
- 💡 Resources and support services shared by our community partners

Moments like these remind us why A Brighter Day Outreach (ABDO) exists to meet needs, strengthen families, and create brighter days for all. Seeing smiles on children's faces as they picked up their backpacks, and witnessing parents leave with encouragement and relief, was the true heart of this event.

We are deeply grateful to everyone who showed up, served, and gave back. Together, we made a lasting impact and set the tone for a strong start to the school year!



Thank You, Costco! 🇺🇸

A Brighter Day Outreach (ABDO) extends our deepest gratitude to Costco with the help of Our Daily Bread Ministries for their generous donation of mattresses. This gift goes beyond comfort, it provides families in need with a safe place to rest, recharge, and restore their strength.

Many of the families we serve are facing difficult transitions, and something as simple as a good night's sleep can make all the difference. Costco's support helps us continue our mission of bringing dignity, hope, and brighter days to our community.

From all of us at ABDO—thank you for investing in the well-being of our neighbors!



Historic Hoskins Community National Night Out

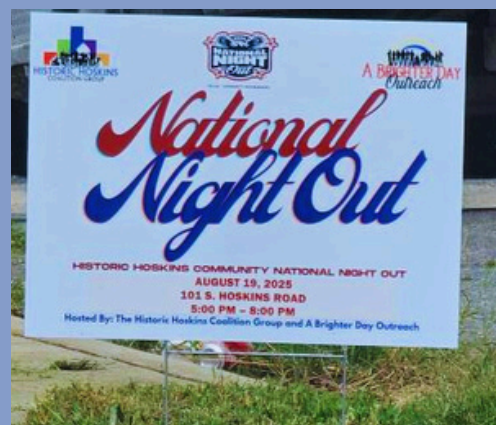
On August 6th, A Brighter Day Outreach (ABDO) partnered with the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group in celebrating National Night Out—an annual event that strengthens the bond between the community and those who serve and protect us.

The Fellowship Hall of Hoskins Avenue Baptist Church came alive with laughter, music, and fellowship as families gathered for an evening filled with fun and connection. Together, we:

- 👮♂️ Built stronger relationships with local law enforcement and first responders
- 🎮 Enjoyed live entertainment, games, and activities for all ages
- 🍔 Shared food, refreshments, and great conversations
- 💙 Promoted unity, safety, and the importance of community partnerships

National Night Out was more than just an event, it was a powerful reminder that when we come together as neighbors, friends, and partners, we can create safer, stronger, and brighter communities.

A huge thank-you to City leaders, politicians, service providers and supporters who volunteered, participated, and helped make this night possible. Your support keeps our mission alive and ensures that ABDO continues to be a beacon of hope and connection in our city.



Treesilience in the Historic Hoskins Community 🌳

What a joy it was to take part in a beautiful day of giving back to our community through the Treesilience initiative! This program is helping to preserve and care for the trees that make our neighborhoods stronger, healthier, and more beautiful.

We are grateful to Joi Mayo, who joined us for Treesilience Office Hours (10 AM – 12 PM) to assist residents in completing applications. These applications, due by September 15th, will allow homeowners in the Historic Hoskins Community to have trees on their residential property cared for and maintained.

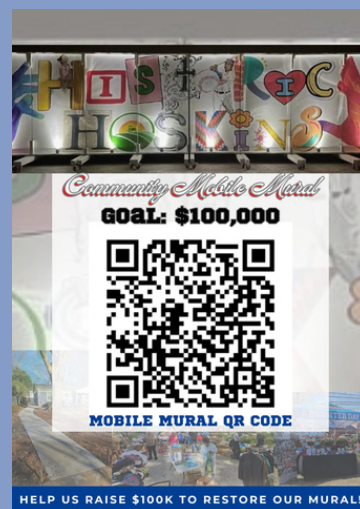
This effort is about more than trees—it's about creating lasting roots of health, sustainability, and pride in our community.



Invest in Impact: Support Our Capital Campaign for the Community HUB, Food Pantry & Community Mobile Mural

A Brighter Day Outreach is launching a bold new chapter and we invite you to be part of it. In partnership with the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group (HHCG) to raise funds for the Historic Hoskins Mobile Mural. We're expanding our reach and deepening our impact through a capital campaign that will support three transformational initiatives:

- The Community HUB – A dedicated space for healing, learning, and connection, where neighbors can access essential resources, mentorship, and empowerment.
- Food Pantry Expansion – Growing our capacity to serve more families with dignity, consistency, and nutritious food.
- Community Mobile Mural – A traveling piece of art that reflects the heart, history, and hope of the Hoskins community—created with local voices and creativity.



This is more than a campaign—it's an invitation to help build something lasting. Together, we can create spaces of restoration, celebration, and opportunity for all.

Join us in making this vision a reality because every gift helps us build brighter days.

A Joyful and Successful Gathering for Youth at the HUB



This summer, A Brighter Day Outreach invited Joshua Education Services to host a Vacation Bible School. Although opened to Youth Girls and Boys, all 3 days were all Teen Males. This outcome was very interesting and allowed the discussions to focus more on responsibility, leadership and life lessons as young males.

Through engaging Bible stories, fun crafts, and meaningful fellowship, our kids not only learned about faith but also experienced the joy of community. Parents and families joined in the celebration, making it truly a time of growth, connection, and spiritual renewal.

We are deeply grateful to our volunteers, teachers, supporters, especially Joshua Education Services who gave their time, talents, and hearts to make this VBS a success. Your dedication planted seeds of faith that will continue to grow in the lives of these young hearts.

Together, we are raising up the next generation with hope, love, and brighter days ahead!


ABDO Wins the Goodie Award! 🏆

We are thrilled to share that A Brighter Day Outreach has been named a recipient of the 2025 SHARE Charlotte Goodie Award! 🎉

This special recognition means so much to us because it celebrates the impact of nonprofits across Charlotte.

This honor belongs not just to A Brighter Day Outreach (ABDO), but to every volunteer, partner, and supporter who believes in our mission. Together, we are proving that brighter days truly are ahead.

Thank you for being part of this journey—we couldn't do it without you!



SHARE CHARLOTTE

Goodie Awards - 2025

📅 Wed, Sep 24, 2025 at 8:30-10:00 AM

📍 220 N Tryon St, Charlotte, NC 28202, USA

Tune In to the ABDO Podcast! 🎙️

We're excited to share another way to stay connected with A Brighter Day Outreach—our very own Podcast! Each episode is designed to inspire, inform, and uplift as we dive into important conversations that matter to our community.

Whether you're at home, on the go, or at work, you can tune in and be reminded that brighter days are always ahead.

Stay connected, be inspired, and join the conversation because together, we are making a difference.

Nasar El-Arabi The Real

<https://youtu.be/lltGg4MdejU?si=WnQVZ0jLkTv7AOZG>

City of Charlotte Council Member At-large Representative LaWana Mayfield

<https://youtu.be/loyzINgZzLc?si=d0TQM30MAvp5UckL>

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<https://youtu.be/JuxtrulJdxo?si=RVbKiOTjd3hamCMR>

Darnell Edwards Episode 1

https://youtu.be/8mfzSTrGbTU?si=f8tGkfy_9c8IIQ0m

Darnell Edwards Episode 2

<https://youtu.be/k7wTixGcQ5U?si=ULjn7v9cuq5RG3Fy>

YouTube: <https://www.youtube.com/@abrighterdayoutreach>



Back-to-School Labor of Love 🧡

On August 23, 2025, A Brighter Day Outreach was honored to join the Muggsy Bogues Family Foundation and partners for the Back-to-School Labor of Love event at Greater Mt. Sinai Baptist Church in Charlotte, NC.

We were proud to stand alongside amazing partners like Food Lion Feeds and WellCare, uniting under one goal: to lift families up with love, dignity, and hope.

A huge thank-you to everyone who made this day possible from volunteers and sponsors to every smiling student and parent who attended. Events like these remind us that when we come together, brighter days are always ahead!



Thomasboro Academy Open House



On August 21, 2025, A Brighter Day Outreach was honored to be part of the Thomasboro Academy Open House. This special event welcomed students and families back to school with resources, encouragement, and community support.

ABDO joined alongside educators, families, and partners to ensure students are equipped and inspired for a successful school year. We were able to share information about our programs, distribute resources, and connect with families in a meaningful way.

Events like this remind us of the importance of showing up for our youth, not only to celebrate their return to school but also to remind them that their community is invested in their future.

MiLa Visits the Community HUB

On August 20th, we were excited to welcome MiLa (Mobile Internet Library) to the A Brighter Day Community HUB. From 10 AM to 12 PM, families and neighbors enjoyed access to books, technology, and learning resources brought right into our community.

We're thrilled to announce that MiLa will be back on September 16th from 10 AM to 12 PM. Don't miss this chance to connect with free library services, digital tools, and educational opportunities for all ages!

Thank you to MiLa for bringing knowledge, access, and inspiration directly to the heart of our community.



Partnering with Girl Flow for "Her Essentials"

A Brighter Day Outreach is excited to partner with Girl Flow for the upcoming Her Essentials event on September 20, 2025 (1PM-3PM). This special program is designed for girls ages 9 to 16 to learn the essentials of self-care and personal well-being.

Together, ABDO and Girl Flow will provide:

- 🛍️ Free essentials kits (age appropriate)
- 🍎 Free food and snacks
- 💡 Workshops and encouragement to equip young girls with confidence and life skills

This partnership is especially meaningful as it brings together two United Charlotte Alumni:

- Tashina Figueroa, Founder/Executive Director of Girl Flow (1st Year United Way of Greater Charlotte)
- Beverly Knox Davis, Founder/President of A Brighter Day Outreach (3rd Year United Way of Greater Charlotte)

We believe that empowering the next generation of young women with the knowledge and tools they need builds stronger families and brighter futures. We are grateful for Girl Flow's partnership and commitment to making a lasting impact in our community.



UPCOMING INITIATIVES

Upcoming Community Give-Back 2025!

Mark your calendars! A Brighter Day Outreach is excited to announce our next Community Give-Back Event, happening on September 20, 2025 at the Community HUB.

At our upcoming Give-Back, families can look forward to:

- 🍎 Essential supplies and household items
- 🍎 Food and pantry staples
- 🎲 Fun activities and community fellowship
- 💙 Access to local resources and support services like our Mental Health Room and Computer Lab.

Every Give-Back is a reminder that when we stand together, no one stands alone. We can't wait to see the smiles, hear the laughter, and witness the hope that fills the room each time we gather.

COMMUNITY GIVE-BACK

 **September 20, 2025 (SATURDAY)**
 10:00 AM - 1:00 PM EST
 510 Sinclair St., Charlotte NC 28208

Volunteer Registration






Donations Needed:

Give back, change lives! Your donation helps families in need through our monthly Give-Back Program. Every dollar makes a difference. Donate today!



Call Us
704-612-6390

Visit Our Website
<https://abrighterdayoutreach.org/>





4TH HISTORIC HOSKINS

Parade and Festival

OCTOBER 4, 2025

PARADE STARTS:
10:00 AM until 11:00 AM
511 S. Hoskins Road,
Charlotte, NC 28208

PARADE ENDS:
Eva B. Barber Park, 3801
Gossett Avenue,
Charlotte, NC 28208

REGISTRATION ENDS:
SEPTEMBER 27, 11:59 PM
(SATURDAY)

FESTIVAL:
11 AM at Eva B. Barber
Park, 3801 Gossett
Avenue, Charlotte, NC
28208

Parade Registration Fee:
\$25.00
Festival Vendor Registration
Fee: \$50.00

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Join Us for the Historic Hoskins Parade & Festival!

A Brighter Day Outreach is proud to partner with the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group and invite you to the Historic Hoskins Parade & Festival—a day of community pride, culture, and celebration in partnership with the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group!

Join us for a vibrant parade, live entertainment, delicious food, local vendors, games, and family-friendly activities as we come together to celebrate the rich history and spirit of Historic Hoskins and surrounding neighborhoods.

This event is more than just a celebration—it's an opportunity to honor our past, embrace our present, and build a brighter future together. We can't wait to see you there!

Join Us in Building a Brighter Future – Capital Campaign

AUGUST 2025

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



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CAPITAL CAMPAIGN *Community Hub*

A Brighter Day Outreach is grateful to announce a \$250,000 funding commitment from Mecklenburg County, bringing us significantly closer to owning and upgrading our Community HUB, a central resource for families in the Historic Hoskins and Thomasboro area.

Breakdown of the \$250,000 Gift from Mecklenburg County:

- \$100,000 – Toward mortgage pay-off
- \$132,000 – For ADA compliance upgrades required by the City and County
- \$18,000 – Allocated salary for Administrative Support and Project Manager

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN



Total Funding Need in 2025

To fully fund and complete our HUB development, we are seeking an additional:

- \$50,000** – For facility improvements and HUB updates, including safety compliance, accessibility enhancements, and community-use equipment
- \$150,000** To cover the remaining balance of the HUB mortgage

TOTAL: \$200,000

Why It Matters:

Securing and enhancing the A Brighter Day Community HUB will ensure long-term sustainability and allow us to expand access to critical services like:

- Weekly Food Pantry serving 200+ families
- Mental Health Room for emotional wellness and crisis support
- Computer Lab for digital literacy and academic access
- Youth empowerment programs like Break Every Chain

Contact Us!

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Take a Tour of the A Brighter Day Community HUB

<https://youtu.be/wnlvrs8oEjg?si=Z9AOfXcWFENpwKqQ>

A Brighter Day Outreach Community HUB and Food Pantry Amazon Wishlist:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/3P7EPICAYT8W?ref=wl_share

A Brighter Day Outreach Break Every Chain Program (Youth Supplies)

Amazon Wishlist:

https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/9NQB84YOSPAV/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_2

Support A Brighter Day Outreach – Help Us Build a Stronger Community!

A Brighter Day Outreach is committed to serving families, empowering youth and strengthening our community—but we can't do it alone. We need your support to continue our work and expand our impact.

Right now, we are facing a critical need to cover the **\$172,000 cost for the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County Residential to Commercial Change of Use and ADA compliance** for our Community HUB and Food Pantry. These upgrades are essential to ensuring we can safely and effectively serve more families with vital resources like food assistance, youth programs, senior programs and community services.

Your donation, no matter the size, makes a difference! Every contribution brings us one step closer to meeting this goal and continuing to be a beacon of hope for those in need.

Join us in making a lasting impact—donate today and help us create a brighter future for Charlotte's families!

Support Our Community Initiatives – We Need Your Help!



Our homeless families need essential hygiene items, including washcloths, soap, combs, lotion, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, and hand sanitizer. Your donations can make a real difference in helping those in need maintain their dignity and well-being.

Additionally, we're working alongside the Historic Hoskins Coalition Group, which celebrated its 4th year of service to the community last February 2025, to complete the Historic Hoskins Community Identity Project. Only four entryway signs remain to complete—two for Historic Hoskins Community and one each for North Hoskins and South Hoskins. Aside from that, our Historic Hoskins Community Mobile Mural has become a beloved symbol of neighborhood pride and history but it's getting old, and it needs repair.

Weather and time have begun to wear it down. To keep this powerful piece of community art alive, we need donations to help restore, preserve, and protect it for future generations.

Every dollar helps us fix and maintain this mural that tells the story of our people, our culture, and our strength.

Please consider supporting this important effort today.



Restore Historic Hoskins Community Mobile Mural

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Your shopping trip can brighten someone's day!



Where to Find and Contact Us:
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Purchase essentials and drop them off at our donation center to support those in need. Together, we can create a wave of positivity and make a real impact in our community!

Donate Today:

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Let's turn each donation into a chance to make a difference!