

Gifts of **HOPE** Catalog for Virginia's **CHILDREN** In Need

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You can double
the value of
your donation.

**NEW
FOR
2015**



A BIRTHDAY GIFT for a Child in Need ... \$50⁰⁰

Many of the children we serve come to us never having enjoyed a birthday party with their friends. You can help change that. Your donation of \$50 or more will give a surprise birthday gift, such as clothing, shoes or an age-appropriate game, to a child in need. Your donation will also help cover the cost of a party. Because many families can't or won't remember their child's birthday, we don't want any child to miss out on the joy of their special day. Please give a birthday gift for a child in need.



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Matching Gift for **SCHOLARSHIP FUND** ... Every \$1 = \$2

Many students with special educational needs, like emotional, intellectual and learning challenges, find that there is no appropriate public educational program available to them.

Your gift will have **2X** the impact!

Our Charterhouse Schools are the answer, and today, every dollar you donate will be doubled to do twice as much good for students.

This wonderful opportunity is made possible by a matching gift from one of our loyal friends. Any amount you give will help and will be matched — up to \$25,000!

That means ...
\$100 = \$200
\$500 = \$1,000
\$1,000 = \$2,000



STUDENTS need **SCHOOL SUPPLIES** ... \$65⁰⁰

Most of our parents and foster families can't afford to provide the necessary school supplies each year for their children with special needs. These children attend our Charterhouse Schools in Richmond and Edinburg. Children with special needs have challenges they have to overcome to learn and do their classwork. They must have the proper school supplies to ensure their success.

Your donation of \$65 will provide school supplies for one child. Or a gift of \$780 could supply an entire classroom. Please donate now so students will be ready for school.

Help a student learn.



Please support our green thumbs!

GREEN THUMB Supplies ... \$25⁰⁰

The Green Thumbs is a group of students in our horticulture program with a passion for gardening. Students use produce from the gardens for their culinary classes. The Green Thumbs also learn valuable business experience and customer service skills when they sell their plants at our annual Green Thumbs plant sale. Students can take these skills back into their communities where they can grow fresh produce for their families.

New supplies are needed every season. Your thoughtful gift will provide tools, seeds and other items to support their gardening.

CHILDREN'S GREATEST NEEDS

Fund ... \$100⁰⁰

When children have to be removed from an unsuitable or abusive home, they come to UMFS with nothing — only the clothes they are wearing. In these emergency situations, we need to be able to help each child and immediately provide some basic clothing, toiletries and any dental or medical assistance they may need. We have to be ready to respond to the plight of these children. Please help us by donating to our Children's Greatest Needs fund.

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HEALING FUND

— Grief Retreat ... \$100⁰⁰

Grief — depression, tears, and overwhelming sadness — can take a huge toll on children who have experienced the death of a parent or the wrenching removal from their family and home. To relieve their grief, UMFS can provide grief retreats, which are special, therapeutic weekends in a safe and supportive environment to help these children heal.

Please support a grieving child by sponsoring a child's participation in this healing weekend of support and compassion with your caring donation of \$100.

SUMMER CAMP — a Transformational Experience ... \$75⁰⁰

The experience of summer camp can be transformational for all children. It can be particularly impactful for children who have been removed from their families and placed into foster care, because it provides them an opportunity to enjoy a special summer adventure just like any other child would.

Sending one child to camp costs \$750, which includes tuition, clothing, transportation and supplies. We will combine your donation with others to give a child this unforgettable camping experience. This year, we hope to be able to send 10 children to summer camp.

Donate
by
June 30th



Backpack with **FOOD** for a **HUNGRY** **CHILD** ... \$50⁰⁰

More than 30 children attending our day schools come to us hungry. They are not getting enough to eat because their impoverished families have little or no food at home. The UMFS staff has developed a plan for these hungry children. With your help, every Friday we will stuff backpacks with enough food to sustain these hungry children for the weekend. The backpack food will be child-friendly, nonperishable and healthy.

This special nutritional program for our hungry children will cost \$11,500 for one year. Your donation will help ensure that none of their tummies growl.

Help feed
hungry
children.



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Unwavering champions for children and families.

UMFS is a nonprofit social service organization with locations throughout Virginia. For more than a century, we have been unwavering champions for high-risk kids and their families, doing whatever it takes to help them overcome obstacles and reach their full potential.

We rely on your generosity to help us empower the more than 3,200 children, youth and families we serve each year. You can donate with confidence because UMFS is dedicated to having 86 percent or more of its revenue used for programs that benefit the children and families we serve.

UMFS staff identified these much-needed items for this catalog — items that we cannot provide without your help. Become a champion for a child in need by donating towards one or more gifts in the catalog. Your donations become real gifts delivered into the hands of the children we serve.

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