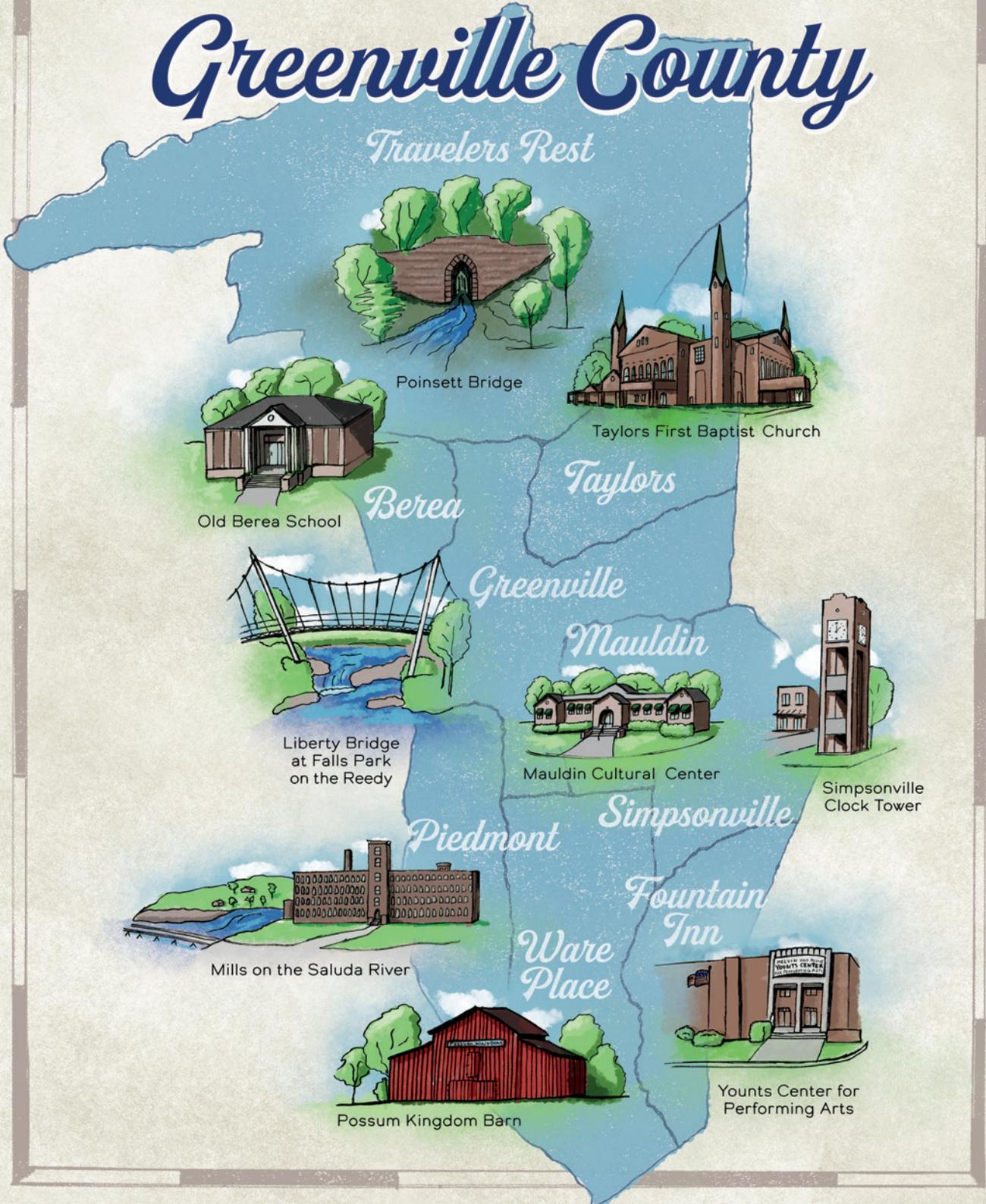




SERVING HOT MEALS AND DAILY VISITS
TO HOMEBOUND NEIGHBORS THROUGHOUT

Greenville County



A FRIEND
TO THE
HOMEBOUND
SINCE 1968
because
of you.



Across the United States, seniors are struggling every day to have their basic needs met. They face loneliness, suffer from food insecurity and battle to remain independent in their homes. There are more than 5,000 senior nutrition programs across the country that work daily to meet these needs. Many of these programs depend on funding they receive through the Older Americans Act, a piece of federal legislation that

provides support services to Americans 60 years of age and older. However, the potential decrease in federal funding we currently face as a nation threatens to impact service to these vulnerable seniors and could mean longer waiting lists, further program cuts and fewer meals being delivered.

During our first year of service in 1968, Meals on Wheels of Greenville was funded through the Older Americans Act. Since that time, we have asked the community to support our program with financial gifts, and you have generously provided the seniors and homebound in Greenville County with a daily hot meal and friendly visit for nearly 50 years.

The map on the cover represents the nine different communities served by Meals on Wheels of Greenville, all with homebound individuals who need your help. Will you partner with us today to serve your neighbors in need?

- **Take an hour to deliver meals and see the smiles on the faces of the homebound.** Volunteer orientation is held every Thursday at 9:30 a.m. at the Meals on Wheels office.
- **Make a donation to provide the next meal to one of our clients.** A gift of \$100 will feed one client for an entire month.
- **Refer a friend or loved one who could benefit from a personal visit and nutritious meal to Meals on Wheels.**

Thank you for helping Meals on Wheels fulfill our mission of serving seniors and the homebound in our community!

Catriona

Catriona Carlisle, *Executive Director*

VOLUNTEER TO DELIVER HOPE

On average, 400 meal delivery routes at Meals on Wheels are open every month. When volunteers are sick, out of town or when routes aren't adopted regularly, our team must pay drivers to deliver the meals or send out frozen meals to ensure our clients have something to eat.

One of our strategic goals as an organization is to continue to recruit and retain an active volunteer base to guarantee daily meal delivery for every client we serve. You can help us ensure every homebound individual gets a daily visit and a hot meal by volunteering your time! Whether you volunteer every week, substitute as your schedule allows or adopt a route with your company or organization, you can have a huge impact on the lives of the homebound in Greenville County.



J.R. & his grandchildren

READY TO VOLUNTEER?

Email volunteer@mowgvl.org

or call **864.233.6565**.

A PARTNERSHIP FOR BETTER NUTRITION

Meals on Wheels is excited to announce our partnership with the Meyer Center for Special Children. In July, Meals on Wheels began providing nutritious meals and healthy snacks to Meyer Center students, who are receiving therapeutic services as well as educational classes. Nutritional support is critical to their success and this collaboration provides food that is not only nutritious, but also meets unique dietary needs and is easier for students with disabilities to eat.



This collaboration is a great example of two organizations combining resources to make a difference in the lives of the individuals they serve. We look forward to sharing updates on the success of this project!

“*The Meyer Center is pleased to partner with Meals on Wheels to bring our students quality food they will love eating. We will work together to further our missions and help make our community a better place to live.*”

— CHRIS NEELEY, Executive Director of the Meyer Center

Meet the Browns

Grady and his son, Bernard, have been recipients of Meals on Wheels since 2013 and until her recent passing, Grady's wife Jeanette also received meals.

“*My son is 54 years old and he's been with me since day one. He has a mental problem, so I have to look out for him. Since my wife's gone, it creates a little harder burden on me, which I don't mind. I'm glad y'all are looking out for me. I know there are others in the same situation as myself. I'm thankful to know that there are people right here in Greenville County who will step up to the plate to assist Meals on Wheels.*”

— GRADY BROWN, Meals on Wheels recipient

The Brown family is just one example of our nearly 1,500 clients that receive Meals on Wheels daily and rely on the delivery of a hot lunch and a volunteer check-in. Studies show that one in six seniors in South Carolina experiences food insecurity and more than half of South Carolina's elderly population can't afford to pay for both medicine and food.

You can make a difference in the lives of our elderly and homebound clients. A gift of just \$5.00 will provide a nutritious meal and volunteer visit to a neighbor in need. Help us fight hunger and isolation by making your contribution today. On behalf of the Brown family and our many other grateful clients, thank you for your gift.





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SAVE THE DATE!



Join us on Saturday, October 21 for Gran Fondo Hincapie.
Live tracking and celebrity cyclists
make this the ultimate cycling experience!

To register, visit www.GranFondoHincapie.com.

SAVE THE DATE!



Volunteer to benefit the homebound. Join us on Saturday, October 28 for the Spinx Run Fest benefiting Meals on Wheels of Greenville.

To volunteer, email Catriona Carlisle at ccarlisle@mowgvl.org.



HELP US CELEBRATE
50 Years!
1968-2018

In 2018, Meals on Wheels of Greenville will celebrate 50 years of serving our community.

Visit our website to share your stories about what makes Meals on Wheels special and stay tuned for celebration details!

www.MealsonWheelsGreenville.org