



The Rebecca B. Hartness Giving Society was established to recognize and honor annual gifts to Meals on Wheels of \$5,000 or more.

A GIVING SOCIETY DONOR WILL:

- Be recognized in the annual honor roll of donors as a member of the Rebecca B. Hartness Giving Society.
- Be recognized as a Giving Society member and honored guest at the annual donor appreciation reception.
- Be kept informed through an exclusive, annual communication to Giving Society members from the board of directors.
- Receive a personal invitation to tour the Meals on Wheels facility and have lunch with the board chairman and executive director.
- Receive two (2) tickets to the annual Sweetheart Charity Ball with seats at the Meals on Wheels honored guests' table.

GIFT DESIGNATION

As a Giving Society member, you can choose to support Meals on Wheels by designating your gift to the following areas:

- *Hot Meal Delivery Program* A gift of \$5,000 provides 1,000 hot meals and daily visits to our elderly and homebound clients, or covers the raw food costs that will feed three clients for more than a year.
- Project Care: Frozen Evening and Weekend Meal Program Nearly 80% of our homebound clients live at or below the federal guideline for poverty. Many of these clients are food insecure and look to Meals on Wheels to provide frozen meals for evenings and weekends to support proper nutrition and prevent chronic hunger. A gift of \$5,000 provides the raw food costs to cover 3,750 meals.
- Specialty Meal Program Many of our clients suffer health issues due to chronic illnesses like diabetes and heart disease, or are physically disabled due to accidents, complications from surgery or side effects caused by a stroke. Our specialty meal program provides renal meals for our diabetic clients, chopped and pureed meals for clients who have trouble cutting or swallowing their food, and even specialty meals for those with food allergies. A \$5,000 gift to this program provides the raw food costs to cover 3,750 meals.

Fund Designations

Gifts of more than \$5,000 but less than \$10,000 will be automatically designated to general program funding unless otherwise designated by the donor to the Hot Meal Delivery Program, Project Care or the Specialty Meal Program. Gifts to the program can be made by check, cash, credit card, stock or proceeds from the sale of personal property, life insurance or real estate.

Gifts of \$10,000 or more can be designated to the Meals on Wheels Endowment Fund at the time of the donation. Gifts to the Endowment can be made by check, cash, credit card, stock or proceeds from the sale of personal property, life insurance or real estate.

Gifts through an estate or planned giving program can be made through bequests, charitable gift annuities, charitable gift trusts or gifts of life insurance. Gifts in-kind of personal property or real estate must be reviewed by the gift acceptance committee before being donated.



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Your gifts to Meals on Wheels help make it possible for Bobby and me to continue to care for each other and live in our own home. We cannot express how much we appreciate you."

Bobby and Louise,
MEALS ON WHEELS CLIENTS

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I give and volunteer for Meals on Wheels because I see the difference it's making in the lives of the people I serve. Thank you for being a part of this great story of service called Meals on Wheels!"

Bill Moore, Meals on Wheels
Donor and Volunteer

For questions regarding gift designations, fund designations or planned giving support, contact our development department at 864.233.6565.



About Rebecca (Becky) Hartness:

Becky Hartness began delivering meals to the homebound of Greenville on December 14, 1969. "At that time," Becky recalls, "I was taking care of my elderly grandmother as well as raising small children. My kids grew up delivering meals with me. I have served at Meals on Wheels for more than 45 years in one capacity or another. As a volunteer, donor and former board member, I would recommend Meals on Wheels to anyone who is looking to invest in an organization dedicated to serving the elderly and homebound people of our community."

