



a friend
to the
homebound
since
1968



Fifty Years of Service to the homebound

1968

On October 16, 20 meals were prepared in the kitchen at Westminster Presbyterian Church and delivered to senior citizens in need.

1970

Federal funding ended and Meals on Wheels began relying solely on community support.

1981

County-wide service began after satellite centers were created in Travelers Rest, Mauldin, Simpsonville, Fountain Inn and Piedmont.

1985

The board of directors changed the eligibility of Meals on Wheels clients to include those below the age of 60 with extreme handicap.

1990

Construction was completed on a brand new 6,000-square-foot Meals on Wheels facility on Oregon Street.

1997

The Corporate Route Program was formalized to encourage businesses to adopt a Meals on Wheels route.



2003

The Pet Food Program was started to provide dog and cat food to homebound clients who are not able to provide food for their pets.

2007

Drop sites were created to allow volunteers to pick up meals for delivery in locations closer to their home or office.

2011

Emergency meal kits were distributed for the first time to ensure clients would have something to eat in the case of inclement weather.

2012

Meals on Wheels of Greenville's 10 millionth meal was delivered.

2016

The supplemental grocery program, which provides shelf-stable food to clients in need, was piloted in Golden Strip.

2018

Meals on Wheels is celebrating 50 years of service to the homebound in Greenville County and 12 million meals delivered.

For 50 years, your support has allowed Meals on Wheels of Greenville to provide a daily hot meal and well-check to senior and homebound individuals in our community. Today, we serve nearly 1,500 people every day, **but the need is growing.**

In 2017, Greenville County had a population of approximately 490,000 residents, making us South Carolina's most populated county. At that time, the senior population was 107,118, representing 22% of the county's total population. **By 2027, it's estimated that the senior population will grow to 141,292 — a 31.90% increase.***

To care for our aging community, your financial support is critical. **Will you consider making a contribution today to ensure our program can meet the growing needs of seniors and homebound individuals in Greenville County? Consider a gift of \$100 to feed a client for a month.**

On behalf of the board of directors, the staff of Meals on Wheels of Greenville and the clients we serve, thank you for making our mission possible.

**Laura Hodge
Chair, Board of Directors**

**Statistics provided by the Appalachian Council of Government.*



Les Sintay is an active participant in the Greenville community. Retired from a career in photo journalism and real estate, he spends his days advocating for seniors as a member of the South Carolina Silver Haired Legislature.

Earlier this year, Les was hospitalized with pneumonia and the flu. Even after he left the hospital, the severity of his illnesses made him weak and left him unable to cook for himself. While he recovered, Meals on Wheels volunteers delivered nutritious meals daily to help him grow stronger. As Les stated, "It was a lifesaver."

It's hard to imagine that we'll need a helping hand one day. But as our senior population continues to grow, all of us will be impacted. Whether it's a family member, friend or you who needs help, your contribution to Meals on Wheels will make that support possible.

Make a gift today to ensure seniors and homebound individuals in our community can remain safe in their homes and receive the nutrition they need for years to come.





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50th Anniversary Celebration

Tuesday, October 16, 2018

Avenue | 110 E Court St Suite 600
 Greenville, SC 29601
 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Purchase your ticket at
www.MealsonWheelsGreenville.org/Celebrate50.



MEALS ON WHEELS OF GREENVILLE

YOUNG PROFESSIONALS

Young Professionals 50th Anniversary Social

Thursday, October 11 | 5:30 - 7:30 PM
 Birds Fly South | 1320 Hampton Ave Ext.
 Greenville, SC 29601

To purchase your ticket, visit
www.MealsonWheelsGreenville.org/YPEvent.

CAN'T MAKE IT?

Make a gift in honor of 50 years.

If you're unable to join us at our 50th anniversary events, please consider making a donation in honor of our golden anniversary.

Use the enclosed envelope or donate online at
www.MealsonWheelsGreenville.org/donate.