

## Housing and Homeless Council

### Types of projects eligible for funding:

- Shelters and transitional housing for homeless persons.
- Habitat for Humanity projects
- Rent and utility assistance to prevent homelessness.
- Services for poor and homeless persons such as food, job training, health care, clothing, job training and counseling.
- Programs providing affordable permanent housing for low-income persons.

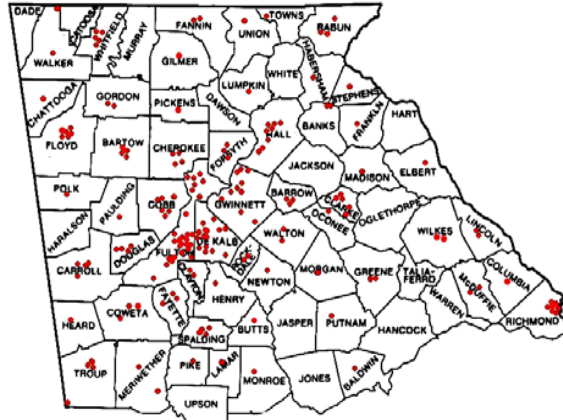


### What about those House Pins®?

The Housing and Homeless Council sells House Pins® by Designs by Lucinda to raise extra funds used to help programs that serve homeless people. Lucinda Yates, who started the company, went through a period of homelessness. She started making pins to benefit a local homeless shelter in Portland, Maine, and now her business employs more than 30 persons making and distributing pins to benefit many good causes. When you wear one of these pins, you make a fashion statement and support a good cause!



Since 1990, the Housing and Homeless council has given more than 700 grants totaling more than \$2.8million.



This map shows the location of all the projects the Housing and Homeless Council has funded since 1990. Many organizations have received multiple grants.



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## North Georgia United Methodist Housing and Homeless Council

**Whoever is kind to the  
poor lends to the Lord, and  
will be repaid in full.**

Proverbs 19:17



## Support the Homeless Offering

Your contributions will help provide housing and basic necessities for men, women and children who are homeless or in danger of losing their homes. The Housing and Homeless Council distributes grants to programs that serve people who are poor and homeless in communities throughout the North Georgia Conference. Our connection as United Methodists allows us to combine our resources to help people in need.

The official date for the Homeless Offering is in February, but churches may take up the offering whenever it suits their schedules.



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## What can the Housing and Homeless Council do for you?

- **Provide advice to help you start a program in your area.** If you see a need in your area but need help organizing a ministry to help, please contact us.
- **Send a speaker on Sunday or for a special program.** Do you need a special program for UMW, Wednesday night supper, etc.? Just remember that as Homeless Offering Sunday approaches (mid-February), we cannot speak everywhere! Videos and Power Point presentations are also available to tell about the work of the Housing and Homeless Council.
- **Advise you about what to do about a particular situation in your church or community.** Do you need to know what types of help are available or to get some guidance about how best to help someone who is in difficult circumstances?
- **Provide grants for programs that help poor and homeless persons.** Our application deadlines are March 1 and September 1. Applications are available to download from our web page [www.nghhc.org](http://www.nghhc.org), about 6 weeks before the deadlines.



## A great place for your planned giving

In addition to distributing grants from the Homeless Offering, the Housing and Homeless Council has an endowment approaching \$1 million.

Your gift to the endowment will provide an ongoing source of funding for support to ministries serving poor and homeless persons throughout the North Georgia Conference. The Housing and Homeless Council receives applications from these ministries two times a year. Council members, dedicated lay and clergy members from all 12 districts, make site visits to each project, and the District Superintendents evaluate the projects in their districts. The Council approves grants with a strong sense of responsibility and stewardship as well as a desire to help people in need.

For information about planned giving, contact Virginia Tinsley, Director, at the Housing and Homeless Council office.

