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Local Officials Deliver Meals with Meals on Wheels of Greenville

Meals on Wheels of Greenville held **March For Meals Day** on Wednesday, March 18th. Local elected officials became community volunteers for the day, delivering meals to Greenville County’s seniors and homebound neighbors.

March For Meals is an annual national campaign initiated by Meals On Wheels Association of America (MOWAA), which seeks to raise awareness of senior hunger and to encourage action on the part of the local community. According to a recent study conducted by MOWAA, in excess of 5 million seniors in America are facing the serious threat of hunger. Meals on Wheels of Greenville has been working since 1968 to address and combat this threat locally, now delivering 1,500 meals each day.

Mellone F. Long, Assistant County Administrator – Planning, said that she came back from her March For Meals experience ready to volunteer and already has people in her office ready to join her. “Today was great!,” she said, “I feel a lot better about myself when I do something for others like this.”

Other volunteers included many members and staff of the Greenville, Simpsonville and Mauldin City Councils, City of Greenville staff, County Council members and staff, the Office of Senator DeMint and SC House Representative Karl Allen.

The March For Meals campaign will continue on **March 23rd**, when Upstate Meals on Wheels programs are partnering together to present a Senior Hunger Summit. Enid Borden, President and CEO of MOWAA will be the featured guest speaker. More information on this event can be found at www.mealsonwheelsgreenville.org.

Meals on Wheels of Greenville enhances the quality of life of homebound individuals by providing nutritious meals, personal contact and related services. Meals on Wheels is not a United Way funded agency, but is supported by contributions from individuals, churches, civic groups, corporations, grants and foundations. For more information call 233-6565 or go to www.mealsonwheelsgreenville.org.

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