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NH Staffing Firms Donate More Than \$12,000 to Families First Health & Support Center

Donation comes at the perfect time for organization that provides healthcare to homeless and others in need in Seacoast area



Left to right: Core Director of HR Lynn Cuomo and HR Supervisor Holly Kirkpatrick with representatives from Families First Health and Support Center.

Salem, NH—August 2015—Families First Health and Support Center recently received an unexpected outpouring of support for its programs from an unexpected source.

The organization, which provides medical care and family services to the homeless and low income residents in the Seacoast area, was surprised to receive a sudden uptick in donations toward the end of its fiscal year: \$3,000 in just two days.

“When we started getting all of those donations in, we were all like, ‘What is this? Who are they?’ It was right at the end of our fiscal year and we are always clamoring for donations then,” said Lori D’Amico, Families First Health & Support Center Director of Development.

D’Amico soon learned that the donations were coming from employees of Salem-based staffing firms CoreMedical Group and CoreInformation Technology.

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Core employees raised more than \$6,100 in wish list items and cash for Families First Health and Support Center as part of an ongoing charity commitment. On top of that, the company matched employee donations, bringing the total donated to more than \$12,000 in cash and needed items.

Core employees also purchased a bicycle for a homeless client so they could get around town.

“We think it’s important that we recognize our obligation to give back to our community, and this was an exceptional opportunity to do so,” said Armand L. Circharo Jr., President & CEO of Core. “The employees of Core are committed to helping those among us that need real help with healthcare, food, clothing, supplies; whatever the need. I couldn’t be prouder of our employees. They’re awesome!”



Left to right: Core President and CEO Armand L. Circharo Jr., Families First Board Member and Former Client John Pelletier, Director of Development Lori D’Amico, and Core Vice President of Sales Monique J. Circharo.

Lori D’Amico and John Pelletier, a former client who now sits on the Families First Board of Directors, visited Core on Wednesday to share what the donation meant to clients of the organization.

Mr. Pelletier began receiving medical care from Families First after he was diagnosed with cancer. He and his family had to declare bankruptcy due to medical bills and became homeless. Families First was the only place he and his family could get medical care.

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Pelletier says that not only did Families First save his life; they saved the life of his wife. His wife, first reluctant to make an appointment, was diagnosed with breast cancer after a screening Families First provided.

“If we hadn’t gone to Families First, we would have never known she had cancer,” Pelletier said. “She’s now cancer free.”

Pelletier shared that he was grateful for Core’s support.

“You folks are my heroes. Because for anybody that helps Families First, whether it’s a dollar or a million dollars, you guys are part of a family that are heroes in my book,” Pelletier said.

Core employees were very moved by John’s personal story.

“I think the experience of hearing from someone that has been touched by these programs was very eye-opening for many of us. It makes it real and brings it home in a way that mailing off a check just can’t do,” Circharo said.

To learn more about Families First Health and Support Center and to make an online donation, please visit <http://www.familiesfirstseacoast.org/>.

View a video of John Pelletier’s story: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=78gg9togLGO>

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