

FRANKLIN TOMORROW'S 14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL  
**EXEMPLARY COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER AWARDS**

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**CORPORATE VOLUNTEERISM AWARD**

**Goodall Homes**

Nominated by: Habitat for Humanity Williamson-Maury



Justen Stabile and Dan Stumpf of Goodall Homes joined Habitat for Humanity Williamson-Maury for a critical repair project in 2019 to benefit a Franklin retired school teacher, Mary Hunter. Team Goodall put in new windows, shored up flooring, did landscaping, and numerous other items to help Ms. Hunter remain safe and comfortable in her home. In 2020, Goodall then committed to fully fund and build an entire home for a single mother in Fairview, TN. This donation is valued at more than \$200,000 and is a priceless gift to our affiliate.

Goodall's unmatched generosity is greatly appreciated by the Habitat team and our homeowner families.

**Haute Dogge Grooming Salon**

Nominated by: Williamson County Animal Center



Haute Dogge Grooming Salon, a privately owned business in downtown Franklin, has generously given services to the most desperate looking animals in the care of

Williamson County Animal Center. Sometimes an animal (both cats and dogs) come in in such a state of unkemptness that it's hard to see what could be your next best friend. Behind matted and tangled hair, there is an animal looking for a loving home.

The good folks at Haute Dogge have offered their services to WCAC, free of charge, for any animal that would be more adoptable from a professional grooming. The Animal Center had a Komondor that came into the shelter. He was so matted when he arrived, the Animal Center could not get a brush through his dreadlocks.

Komondor's have very difficult coats to maintain and this dog had clearly been on his own for quite some time. Haute Dogge shaved one solid matt off of this large dog. Underneath the hair, you can see where his skin had begun to deteriorate from being wet for so long. The air could not get to his skin to dry it. He had infection on his skin and smelled terrible. After a shave from Haute Dogge (completely free of charge), his favorite thing in the world was to stand and let us scratch his back.

This is probably the worst case the Animal Center had ever sent to the good folks at Haute Dogge, but there have been many others, both small and large. From Persian cats whose elderly owner lost control of the grooming to small dogs that couldn't see from behind the matted facial hair, the great people at Haute Dogge have helped them all.

## Ramsey Solutions

Nominated by: Ramsey Solutions



At Ramsey Solutions, the company says all the time, "We're blessed to be a blessing." That core belief carries into everything Ramsey Solutions does, including how they give back to the community. Ramsey Solutions coordinates local volunteering efforts for all 900+ team members all throughout the year, and as a company, they provide one week of paid Ministry Time (separate from PTO or sick time) after a team member has been at the company for

one year to encourage volunteering. Their largest corporate volunteering effort is during the month of November, which they call Ramsey's "Month of Volunteering." Every team member has an opportunity to serve on the company's time. Last November, 855 Ramsey team members logged 3,624 volunteer hours with 22 local organizations, like Second Harvest, Elijah's Heart, TN Baptist Children's Home and My Friend's House.

COVID-19 has presented a lot of challenges to the company's usual volunteering rhythm, but they've found ways to give back throughout 2020. When the tornado hit Nashville in March, Ramsey Solutions' HR department got hundreds of emails

from team members wanting to help, so they connected with Samaritan's Purse, who was leading huge cleanup efforts across the city. More than 70 Ramsey team members spent five full days cleaning up the damage. When the pandemic started and in-person volunteering wasn't possible, the company still looked to meet the needs of neighbors. They organized a gas giveaway near Franklin and Nashville hospitals where about 20 Ramsey team members filled up the gas tanks of 168 healthcare workers. A few weeks later, when grocery store shelves were still empty, they heard One Generation Away and Graceworks needed canned food and hygiene supplies to continue helping those in need. Even though the team was working from home, team members dropped off 938 lbs. worth of supplies and donated over \$1,000. And Ramsey Solutions cares about their own team just as deeply as they care about the community. Our contracted kitchen staff is like family. When Ramsey Solutions learned that they were furloughed because they weren't working in their building, the Ramsey team rallied to donate over \$13,000 to support them financially.

Once life resumed a bit of normalcy and volunteer opportunities started to reappear, Ramsey Solutions jumped on them. For the last 10 years, the company has hosted one of the largest single-day blood drives in Middle Tennessee. This year, the company knew they had to step it up even more with the nationwide blood shortage. In June, they had their largest turnout yet - 203 team members donated 245 units of blood, impacting 735 lives. In August, Ramsey Solutions was finally able to safely coordinate in-person volunteering again. More than 50 team members served lunch at the Nashville Rescue Mission every Friday over the course of the month. Between October 1, 2019 and September 30, 2020 (including the Month of Volunteering), the Ramsey team logged a total of 6,730 hours of ministry and volunteer time, which equates to 841 full, 8-hour workdays spent giving back to the community.

## **Schneider Electric**

Nominated by: Habitat for Humanity Williamson-Maury



For more than 20 years Schneider Electric has supported the mission of Habitat for Humanity. Not only do they donate much-needed funding, they also provide hundreds of volunteer hours to help build alongside future homeowners. Schneider Electric engineer Dan Mayberry has rallied his team here in Middle Tennessee to build for nearly 20 years and serves on the Habitat for Humanity of Greater Nashville

Board of Directors. In 2017 Schneider leader Kim Varga joined the board of Habitat for Humanity Williamson-Maury.

These local partnerships are part of and an overall corporate commitment by Schneider Electric to support the Habitat for Humanity mission. In addition to the more than \$10 million in funding the company has donated to help pay for land, infrastructure, and building materials of Habitat homes, Schneider Electric has also donated more than \$40 million worth of electrical equipment for use in the construction of Habitat homes in the U.S., Canada and Mexico. Over the years, thousands of employees have partnered with Habitat through volunteer engagements for home builds, critical repairs, disaster recovery efforts and Jimmy & Rosalynn Carter Work Projects.

### **Kellum Ferree Wiedenhoeft**

Nominated by: Brightstone



Kellum is Director of Operations at ALDI, a food market with over 10,000 stores in 20 countries, and she's been recognized by ALDI U.S. as an outstanding employee for her community service. For the past 5 years, Kellum has volunteered as Chairman of Bowlability, BrightStone's annual community-wide fundraising event thanks to her passion and leadership, Bowlability has attracted thousands of participants, including individuals and organizations. Through her leadership and volunteerism efforts, over \$500,000 has been raised to fund programs and services for adults with intellectual and developmental disabilities. As a very busy executive, her position requires frequent travel. In spite of work demands, Kellum invests months of her time each year to lead Bowlability's planning committee. And she leads by example personally encouraging co-workers, friend's, local church groups, and other corporations to participate in BrightStone's family-friendly event. But for Kellum, encouraging awareness of special needs and supporting BrightStone is also in addition to raising awareness and support for families with a special needs adult, Kellum also finds time to serve as an active member of her church and to volunteers with Restore Haiti and Special Olympics.

Kellum exemplifies the meaning of caring for and giving back to her community and actively supports her church, Special Olympics, and Restore Haiti and she has inspired many others to volunteer. Through her corporate volunteerism role, she uses her influence to strengthen our community and make our world a better place.

It is with great joy that we recommend Kellum for your 2020 Corporate Volunteerism Award. very personal -as her sister Catherine has special needs and is BrightStone student.