



THE OCEAN RIDGE CHARITIES ASSOCIATION, INC.

DESCRIPTION: Founded in June of 2010, the Ocean Ridge Charities Association, Inc. (ORCA) is a 501c(3) tax-exempt, state licensed, nonprofit corporation established within the community of Ocean Ridge Plantation. Its primary objective is to support local charitable and non-profit organizations in Brunswick County, NC that assist disadvantaged citizens in our area. ORCA accomplishes this by promoting charitable fundraising and volunteer participation throughout Ocean Ridge.

GOVERNANCE: A 17 member Board of Directors comprised of Ocean Ridge residents guide the work of the organization. The Board elects the officers of the association, decides its annual budget, develops and implements fundraising plans and strategies, directs the allocation of donations to local recipient organizations and communicates to both Ocean Ridge and the greater Brunswick County communities about its activities.

FUNDRAISING: Current and past events—Dinner Dance, Trivia Championship, Casino Night and Bistro Nite Cabaret (Fall 2011-2015)); Cookbook—*From the Kitchens of Ocean Ridge*; Dining Discounts Card; Memorial Fund (with matching \$\$\$\$ for individual donations); Corporate Sponsorships; Corporate Matching Gifts, Corporate grants, Backpacks for hungry children; Patriotic red/white/blue bows (2013-15); Annual Campaign (direct mail fund drive), Christmas home tour, Holiday crafts show.

RECIPIENT NON-PROFITS: Boys & Girls Home of N.C., Brunswick Christian Recovery Center (BCRC), Brunswick County Computers 4 Kids, Brunswick County Habitat for Humanity, Brunswick County Homeless Coalition, Brunswick County Literacy Council, Brunswick Family Assistance (BFA), Brunswick Senior Resources Inc. (BSRI), Building Hope Ministries, Calabash Lions Club, Communities in Schools, Grissetown/Longwood Fire Department, Hope Harbor Home Inc., Lower Cape Fear Hospice & LifeCareCenter, New Hope Clinic, OR-D. Kelly Nursing Endowment at BCC, paws4people, Power Walking Ministries Inc., Pretty in Pink, Providence Home, Red Cross-Lower Cape Fear Region, Salvation Army, Shallotte Lions Club, South Brunswick Interchurch Council (SBIC), Southport Interchurch Fellowship, StreetReach, The Carousel Center, Tri Beach Cruisers Toy Run, Veterans Welcome Home & Resource Center, Warm Homes/Warm Hearts (BEMC), Wave 4 K.I.D.S., Wilmington Area Rebuilding Ministry (WARM).

DOLLARS RAISED: In just over seven years--courtesy of the generosity of nearly 350 Ocean Ridge residents and 125 local business sponsors—ORCA has raised over \$1.2Million for local charities including nearly \$40,000 in matching grants from other sources.

ACTIVITIES SUPPORTED: College scholarships, backpacks for hungry children, meals-on-wheels, Veterans' needs, health care for the poor; housing rehabilitation projects, hospice services, cancer care, food banks; emergency services, utility expense rate relief, foster care help, support for the homeless, computers for kids, addiction care, housing rehabilitation, dropout prevention, services for abused and neglected children.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS: Maggy Schlink (President), Lynn Wieties (Executive Secretary) and Claudia Piccarelli (Treasurer) are the officers. Other 2022 Board members are: Peggy Burris, Glenn Hess, Amy Kelly, Kath Larson, Pris Lovell, Mike Lynch, Beth Naylor, Mary Perno and Ron Sorice.

HOW YOU CAN HELP

There are many ways for you to help ORCA, your neighborhood charity.

- ▶ **Make a direct contribution**, by cash or check (made out to ORCA) and send it to the address listed on the reverse or in the envelope provided.
- ▶ **Come to one of our events**—the Dinner Dance and/or the Trivia Championship. On-line reservation announcements circulated to the community prior to each event.
- ▶ **Donate to the Memorial Giving Fund** in memory of a loved one, colleague or friend. Contributions are matched dollar for dollar by ORCA up to \$100 and can be designated to one or more of the many local charities supported by ORCA. We will send a letter to the family of those remembered advising them of your donation. Go to our website listed on the reverse, scroll over to “Giving” for more details and to download the donation form. For more information, contact ORCA representative Beth Michelakis at michaelmich@atmc.net
- ▶ **Purchase the 2020 edition of the International Dining Club (IDC)** The discount dining packet offers 2-for-1 discounts at over 120 restaurants and other local venues. The program allows 12 buyone-get-one-free visits per restaurant for whatever meals are served. It’s good for one year from the date of purchase (for a complete list of participating locations go on-line to International National Dining Club, Myrtle Beach). The cost is \$35 and \$10 of that goes to ORCA for charitable contributions. To purchase or for more information, contact ORCA representative Maggy Schlink at maggysbeach@aol.com
- ▶ Buy a copy of “From the Kitchens of Ocean Ridge” Cookbook. Our 255 page cookbook is chock full of 450 of the greatest tried-and-true recipes from the best chefs in our neighborhood. Priced at \$15 per cookbook, over 1,300 have been sold and we are now selling our 4rd printing. All of the proceeds from the cookbooks go to local charities. To purchase or for more information, contact ORCA representative Peggy Burris at peggyb@atmc.net
- ▶ **Volunteer** Get involved by contacting ORCA representative Mike Lynch at mjlynch123@yahoo.com
- ▶ **For more information about ORCA**, go to our website at www.orcharities.org.

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