

Share the Journey



Urban Ministries of Durham

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Dear Friends,

This month, there is big news at Urban Ministries of Durham (UMD), and it is my pleasure to share this news with you.

First, we are pleased to announce the launch of our new and improved [website](#) just this week. It has been totally re-designed, and the result provides a glimpse of the excitement and vision we look forward to in the year ahead. We've revamped some of our programs and emphasized the community collaboration and the shared experiences that make Urban Ministries such a special place. Take a look and let us know what you think.

Secondly, Urban Ministries of Durham has been awarded a [Stewards Fund Challenge Grant](#) in the amount of **\$25,000**. This means that if we can raise \$25,000 in revenue from new sources and increased gifts from current supporters between February 1st and May 31st of 2010, the Stewards Fund will match that amount dollar for dollar up to \$25,000.

As a current supporter of UMD, your extra special gift for the challenge will make an impact and help us meet the challenge. We also ask that you invite new supporters to join us by encouraging friends, family and associates to share in the journey by making a gift.

 [Forward to a Friend](#)

[Donate now](#) on-line or via our new [website](#) indicating that your gift is for the 2010 Stewards Challenge.

Groups can get involved in the challenge as well. Have a bake sale, chili cook-off, or photography or art contest, maybe even a Guitar Hero Jam Fest...get your team, class, office, fraternity, or sorority involved. Get creative and have some fun. If you are interested in a group project and want more help, email [Deanna Kleiss](#) or call 919-682-0538 ext. 35.

Finally, our 4th annual [Empty Bowls](#) fundraiser is set for Friday March 5th at 5:30pm at the Durham Armory. This is always a fun event. The soup is great--the bowls are beautiful--and the cause, fighting hunger in our community, is more important than ever. Tickets will go on sale soon, so be sure to check out our website.

It may be cold outside, but it's heating up at Urban Ministries of Durham, so come and ***Share the Journey*** with us!

Thanks for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Patrice Nelson
Executive Director
Urban Ministries of Durham

