



First In Families of NC Needs Your Help!

You are invited to attend a meeting to brainstorm ideas to save our Community Bridging program in Durham!

When: July 1, 2009 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Where: The Reality Center, 916 Lamond Ave., Durham

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What is Community Bridging?

FIFNC has been assisting a group of people – individuals who have lived most of their adult lives in group homes - to create connections within the community in Durham. Prior to this program, most of them have never had real friendships, only paid staff in their lives. We have also helped these individuals connect with opportunities to give back to their community. We've had some wonderful successes in the past 18 months!

However, due to the state budget crisis, **the funding for this program is ending as of June 30, 2009**. We are **determined** to keep the momentum going for the participants in this program!

How Can You Help?

- Brainstorm fundraising ideas
- Share your connections and resources
 - Clubs, organizations accepting volunteers, people you know would embrace our concept, potential business and community partnerships
- Spend time with a participant doing something you both enjoy
 - Individuals supported through this initiative have a range of interests which include: art, restaurant dining, attending church, and college basketball
- Volunteer in the community along with a participant!
- Bring all your ideas and bring a friend!
- Help create real lives for people!