

Rockville colleagues make meals for the needy

Employees from the Rose Financial Group in Rockville made 900 meals for the homeless Friday afternoon.

The meals, which included ham and cheese sandwiches, fruit, cookies, chips and bottled water, will go to Stepping Stones Shelter and Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless in Rockville and Shepherd's Table in Silver Spring.

"It's one of the missions at Rose Financial to be involved in the community," said Elizabeth Summerville, marketing coordinator and recruiter. "We started in 2008 with 150 meals, every year we increased the quantity, and this year it was 900."

About half the money for the food and supplies was raised by employees through the "Casual Fridays for a Cause" program, where employees who choose to wear jeans contribute \$5 to the fund. The company's RFS Gives Back Foundation contributes the remaining money, Summerville said.

"It was a great team-building activity," Summerville said. "We had almost full participation."



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Team effort



ELIZABETH SUMMERVILLE

Employees from Rose Financial Services in Rockville teamed up to make meals for the homeless Friday. The group made 900 meals for patrons of three shelters.