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April 5, 2019

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P.O. Box 27622
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10 10th Street, NW, Suite 800
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To Whom It May Concern,

On behalf of the Shepherd's Center and those we serve, I am very pleased to support the SunTrust and BB&T merger. The support of our organization by SunTrust has enabled us to provide essential services to older adults in our community.

The SunTrust Foundation has provided support for the Minor Home Repair Program of the Shepherd's Center of Greater Winston-Salem for seven years. Grants provided to our organization by the SunTrust Foundation have allowed us to obtain home repair materials and supplies for older adult clients who cannot pay for the cost of their repairs.

The Faith In Action Care Program of the Shepherd's Center provides essential support services to older adults in the greater Winston-Salem area. During the 2018, **2,121** individuals and families were served through the services of the program – a **4%** increase over 2017. Requests for minor home repair services reached a record level in 2018 as we served **399** individuals by responding to **742** unique requests.

The labor for the minor home repair jobs is provided by minor home repair volunteers as well as partner congregations, corporate groups and civic organizations. SunTrust's grants have been an excellent investment in our community and have benefited the lives of over 500 older adults over the last seven years allowing them to live independently in their own homes in a safe and compassionate manner.

We continue to value the support provided to our agency by SunTrust and the tremendous work they do in our community at all levels.

Sincerely yours,



Samuel C. Matthews
Executive Director

cc: Ms. Autrice C. Long
Ms. Elizabeth B. Madden

Promoting and Supporting Successful Aging

The Shepherd's Center of Greater Winston-Salem is an interfaith ministry that promotes and supports successful aging by providing direct services, volunteer opportunities and enrichment programs for older adults

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