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FedEx credit association supports Le Bonheur



It all started with a cookbook.

Sixteen years ago, employees and customers of the four FedEx Employees Credit Association(FECA) in Memphis published a cookbook of their favorite recipes. The cookbooks were sold in Memphis and at the four other FECAs in Los Angeles, Pittsburg, Indianapolis and Harrison, Ark. All proceeds were donated to Le Bonheur.

Employees of the four local FECAs continued to support the hospital with various fundraising efforts and in 2008 joined forces with Children's Miracle Network Hospitals (CMNH). Since then, the group, coordinated by a Community Council of employees representing the four FECA branches in Memphis — Hacks Cross Road, Dexter Road, Nonconnah and Collierville — have raised more than \$85,000 for Le Bonheur's kids and have created lifetime friendships in the process.

FECA offers a variety of ways for both employees and members to contribute to Le Bonheur — from penny jars to jean days. Employees also sell donuts, candy bars and, during the holidays, pecans. Every month, employees who make a donation receive a chance to win a prime parking space at the front door. "Everybody wants to be the Miracle Worker of the Month," said Angila Webb, FECA mortgage processor and Community Council member.

For the last two Valentine's Days, FECA employees have sold fresh flower bouquets donated by Pro Flowers of Memphis to their customers for a donation to Le Bonheur. This year they added Mother's Day and netted \$2,500 which will be matched 100 percent by CMNH Miracle Match Program.

"Every penny counts," says Webb. "When we tell our members the funds they donate go to Le Bonheur they don't hesitate to pull out their wallets."

This month, FECA Community Council members are filling 25 Father's Day baskets with barbecue supplies — tongs, aprons, pot holders and spatulas — that employees have helped purchase and will sell to customers for a donation to Le Bonheur.

"Le Bonheur is a treasured asset," Webb said. "Knowing that our events are raising funds to help families that travel miles from home to come here for their child's treatment melts all our hearts. For us, it's an honor to do the small things we do to support families in their most desperate time. Whenever someone comes in our branch that has a Le Bonheur story to share we are always touched."