

**Donations that we are currently accepting:**

**Donations can be dropped off at** Trinity Ecumenical Parish, Bethlehem United Methodist or United Way of Franklin County. Thank you.

**Material Items** (New or like new condition):

Pencils	Milk Crates	Markers
Colored Pencils	Notebook Paper	Story Paper
Cardstock	Duct Tape	Expo Markers
Sharpies	Large Plastic Container Bins	Washable paints
Paint brushes	Tarps	Fabric
Scotch Tape	Painters Tape	Staplers
First Aid Kits	Manilla Folders	Post-Its
Clipboards	Plastic File Boxes	Freezer Ziplock Bags
Dixie Cups	Large Rolling Coolers	Games & Puzzles

**Gift cards:** Barnes & Noble, Amazon and Best Buy

**Books:** [Our immediate need for books has been met thanks to countless generous donors and the wonderful fundraiser held at Barnes & Noble.](#) **We do accept:** New or like new condition books for ages 3 - 12 (We cannot accept books that have mature, violent, romantic or religious themes). Examples of popular choices would be graphic children’s novels, Diary of a Wimpy Kid books, I Survived books, Newbery Award books, Magic Tree House, Bad Kitty, Eric Carle books, Dr. Seuss, Harry Potter, star wars, sports and scholastic choices.

**Monetary Donations** can be mailed to SML Good Neighbor, Inc., P.O. Box 2, Moneta, VA 24121 or made online at [www.smlgoodneighbors.org/donate](http://www.smlgoodneighbors.org/donate)

On Thursday, November 10th, in the morning a little after 5 a.m., a tractor-trailer ran off the road just south of our Good Neighbors office. It traveled across our neighbors lawns and crashed into our office. There was a resulting intense fire that totally destroyed our Good Neighbors office and all of its contents. Most tragically, the driver died in the accident. We are keeping his family in our prayers. Many wonder what we will do now. Members of our board are already meeting to address the short, mid and long-term needs and plans. Importantly, our programs will continue without interruption. Here are some answers to questions many have:

1. SML Good Neighbors does have insurance on our building and its contents.
2. No one was in our building when the accident occurred.
3. A planning group is addressing the options for our future headquarters and will consider all options. If you have ideas, please share them via email with either Jim Bennett or Russ Baskett.
4. Those wishing to donate can check the information below to see the list of things we do need to prepare for the 2017 summer program. (Currently we will not be accepting household items. This will come when we have a new facility).
5. Media outlets: please see contact information below.

We are grateful for the outpouring of concern and offers of assistance we have been receiving. The Smith Mountain Lake community, and the surrounding communities, are truly filled with generous, caring people.

**Questions from Media:** Please contact Jim Bennett, Chair (540) 525-2045 [chair@smlgoodneighbors.org](mailto:chair@smlgoodneighbors.org). If he is unavailable, you may contact Russ Baskett (information below) or Judy Wolfe (540) 297-9361 [judybassdoc@aol.com](mailto:judybassdoc@aol.com)

**Donations:** Please contact Russ Baskett, President and Executive Director, regarding any questions about donations (540) 798-2332 [director@smlgoodneighbors.org](mailto:director@smlgoodneighbors.org)

Regarding the driver: <http://www.whee.net/2016/11/12/nash-ranza-boyd/>

We also are grateful to the first responders and everyone involved in responding to the tragic accident.