

# AvidXchange Volunteers with Samaritan's Feet International



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## AvidXchange Volunteers with Samaritan's Feet to Provide Shoes for 366 Middle School Children in Charlotte

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**Charlotte, NC (March 15, 2013)** – Volunteers from the *AvidFoundation*, AvidXchange, Inc.'s outreach program, headed to Cochrane Middle School in Charlotte, NC to provide shoes for 366 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders. The 30 volunteers transformed the middle school's gymnasium into a distribution site for the day for Samaritan's Feet International, a non-profit organization that's mission is to provide hope and shoes to children in need. Volunteers served in various roles to create a seamless experience for the shoe recipients; from greeters to those that participated in the true "Samaritan experience" of washing children's feet and providing them with new shoes and socks. While the volunteers supplied the children with a physical need, they also took time to have conversations with the children and find out about their aspirations for the future so the children would walk away from the experience feeling empowered to pursue their dreams.

"It was a wonderful day serving alongside volunteers from Avidxchange. We were able to put smiles on the faces of 366 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade boys and girls," commented Teresa Hucko, Director of Missions and Volunteer Relations for Samaritan's Feet International. "While Samaritan's Feet is able to meet basic needs, such as new shoes and socks, it takes the help of volunteers to convey the true message, which is to encourage children to reach for their dreams! We couldn't reach our goal of 10 million shoes for 10 million boys and girls in 10 years without partners like AvidXchange," added Hucko.

AvidXchange formed the *AvidFoundation* to make a difference in the lives of children. Since AvidXchange is based in Charlotte, NC the *AvidFoundation* makes an effort to complete projects that directly benefit children in their local community. The *AvidFoundation* completes projects on a monthly basis to have a positive impact year round, and support organizations, like Samaritan's Feet International, in their efforts.

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*AvidFoundation*, which is our community service and financial support vehicle focused on helping kids in need,” commented Michael Praeger, AvidXchange’s Chief Executive Officer and Co-Founder. “Our goal is to support programs like Samaritan’s Feet that enrich children’s lives and help them to become successful adults,” added Praeger.

## About Samaritan's Feet

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Samaritan's Feet International is not just a non-profit, nor just a humanitarian aid organization – but a community of more than 70,000 volunteers who have joined together to make a difference in the lives of children in need in every corner of the world. From a dream to the reality of over four million impoverished children and adults in more than 60 nations being served by having their feet washed, receiving a new pair of shoes, and hearing a message of hope.

Samaritan's Feet and its team of global ambassadors have touched the lives of men, women, and children across the United States and around the world in an effort to help the nearly 300 million people who go without shoes each day and the more than a million who die ([Dying Without Shoes](#)) each year as a result. Through this simple act of humility and servant-leadership, our team members and volunteers are expressing love, compassion, and a message that brings hope. To learn more visit: [www.samaritansfeet.org](http://www.samaritansfeet.org) or call: 866.833.SHOE.

## About AvidXchange

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