

## Men's Basketball Visits the Healing Place Pack takes part in HoopsFest

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This past weekend, coach Sidney Lowe and the NC State men's basketball team took part in HoopsFest 2010, which was held at The Healing Place of Wake County.

The event, co-chaired by Chris Corchiani, former NC State basketball star, and Tom Bonfield, current member of the Healing Place Board of Directors, was designed to raise funds and awareness of The Healing Place of Wake County, a non-profit recovery and rehabilitation facility for homeless men and women in our community.

"Our guys had a great time this past weekend," said head coach Sidney Lowe. "It was good for them to go out there and meet all the people at the Healing Place, and it was good for them to get some interaction with everybody that is involved for that good cause."

Basketball teams from all over the triangle area participated in the 12-hour 3-on-3-basketball marathon that began before sunrise at 7 AM and went to sunset on Saturday at the Men's Facility near the Raleigh Farmer's Market at 1251 Goode Street.

The appearance of the Wolfpack to sign autographs and chat with the clients, family members, and staff was a highlight of the day.

"I enjoyed our trip," said junior C.J. Williams. "I think it is important for us to get out, and give back to the community in ways like this. Seeing Chris Corchiani out there leading this event showed all of us our responsibilities as basketball players."

### About The Healing Place

The Healing Place of Wake County is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) recovery and rehabilitation facility for homeless people with alcohol and other drug dependency. The Men's Facility opened its doors in 2001 and the Women's Facility began operation in 2006. The Healing Place facilities have provided more than 500,000 beds of shelter and days of recovery to homeless men and women at a cost of less than \$35 per client per day. Remarkably, one year after program completion, over 65% of the graduates from the program are still sober, employed, taxpaying citizens. The Healing Place of Wake County is built on the principles of the highly successful Healing Place in Louisville KY, which received the 1998 US Department of Health Resources and Service Administration "Models That Work Award" in recognition of the success of the program. For more information, go to [www.hpowc.org](http://www.hpowc.org).



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