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### **“MIRACLES ON ST. MARGARET STREET”**

**CHARLESTON, December 5, 2013** –Florence Crittenton Programs of S.C. is pleased to announce the publication of, “Miracles on St. Margaret Street,” a book capturing some of the most poignant stories from Florence Crittenton Programs’ long history in South Carolina. It is written by FCP’s beloved, prior Board President, The Honorable Ruth W. Cupp.

A book-signing reception will be held Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> from 3-5 pm in the chapel at the Florence Crittenton home. Books are available for purchase online or at the event for \$21.99. All proceeds to benefit Florence Crittenton Programs. Please visit [www.FlorenceCrittentonSC.org](http://www.FlorenceCrittentonSC.org) for more information or call Lisa Van Bergen at 843-722-7526.

A special thank you to Ms. Barbara Williams and Arcadia Publishing!

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#### **About Florence Crittenton Programs of SC**

Located in downtown Charleston, SC, Florence Crittenton Programs of South Carolina has been serving the entire state of South Carolina since 1897. Florence Crittenton’s mission is to provide young pregnant and parenting women comprehensive services to help them become self-sufficient and responsible mothers. Florence Crittenton values the right of every child and pregnant young woman to obtain the education, skills, and support needed to have a healthy start in life – for both herself and her child.

# ABOUT THE AUTHOR



Author Ruth W. Cupp, an attorney for 60 years, is a former chairman of the Board of Directors of the S.C. Children's Bureau and a former president and board member of Florence Crittenton Programs of S.C. A graduate of Winthrop University with a major in Social Work, she spent her summers during college as a recreation worker at the old Charleston Orphan House.

Cupp also is the author of *Portia Steps up to the Bar*, which details the history of early women lawyers in South Carolina and *Attorneys from Charles Town to Charleston*, a history of the local legal profession. A graduate of the University of South Carolina's College of Law in 1954, she was the first female lawyer to join the Charleston County Bar Association. Her concentration has been on real estate law, which requires extensive research. "That's what I love," she notes, "and that's what I'm doing now." She also is a former state legislator and a former associate probate judge.