

THE *Hope* REPORT

from Hope Villages of America Addressing Hunger + Housing + Abuse



Bingo Night

We recently held our first Bingo Night at the Food Bank, where guests enjoyed an evening of fun and laughter, all while raising much-needed funds to support individuals and families who are food insecure.

TD Synnex Volunteers

Thank you to our friends at TD Synnex for spending a day volunteering at the Food Bank. Volunteers helped sort food boxes and prepared food packages for our daily distribution. If you'd like to learn about our volunteer opportunities, please visit our [website](#).



Chapel by the Sea

Our Interim CEO, Melinda Perry, recently spoke at Chapel by the Sea's Sunday Service to gear up for the upcoming Beachwalk Walk. Melinda shared how their financial support impacted our community in 2022.

Thank you, **Chapel by the Sea**, for your continued support!



WFLA Interview

Annie with WFLA met with our Interim CEO, Melinda Perry, to highlight our work on Human Trafficking Day. Melinda discussed our Human Trafficking Summit, where community partners and professionals came together to discuss how collectively, we can combat this issue. Click on the link to watch this powerful interview. **Check it out!**

Faith-Based Cottage Party

We recently held our first Faith-Based Cottage Party at Mission City Church. Jackie Evans, HVA's Faith-Based Committee Chair, and Chief Communications & Development Officer, Jonita Lewis, discussed the needs of the organization and how we can work together to engage more houses of faith.

If you're interested in learning more about our Faith-Based Committee, please email our CCDO, Jonita Lewis, at jonita.lewis@hopevillagesofamerica.org.



Town of Belleair Sock Drive

Thank you to our friends at Town of Belleair for hosting a sock drive. Staff from TOB stopped by to deliver 200 pairs of socks for the women and children at the Haven.



STAFF & VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS



Meet Cesar Garcia

Cesar Garcia has been with Hope Villages of America in the Food Distribution & Basic Needs Division since November 25, 2019. Cesar has a passion for photography and digital design. He is dedicated to addressing food insecurity and has played an important role in expanding our mobile pantry operation here at Hope Villages of America. Cesar is committed to his duties at the Food Distribution Center and works hard to ensure our staff and volunteers are prepared daily to meet the needs of the guests. Meeting the needs of so many in need brings Cesar joy.

Meet Nancy Currey

Nancy Currey has been a volunteer with Hope Villages of America for 22 years. After retiring in 2000, a friend informed her about a volunteering opportunity while out rollerblading. Nancy decided to check it out and has been volunteering with the organization since. When Nancy is not volunteering at the food bank, she enjoys cooking, gardening, traveling, swimming, attending the Tampa Bay Buccaneers games, spending time with family and friends, and attending church. Nancy has been a faithful volunteer throughout the years, always showing kindness, acceptance, and compassion to all of those she meets.





UPCOMING EVENTS

Beachwalk Walk

Join us for a two mile walk down the beach accompanied by a wonderful breakfast! Your participation will feed insecure families all over the county.

Purchase registration or sponsorships [here](#).



Join our
Mission!

Blue Jean Ball

Come out and join us for our annual Blue Jean Ball! The event will take place on **Saturday, February 25 at the Cove Cay Golf Club** in Clearwater.

Learn more about the event [here](#).



Advancement & Communications

97%

Grants awarded vs. goal

\$2.5M YTD

1,268

Volunteer Hours

DECEMBER 2022



3.7K

Followers



1.9K

Followers

3.2K

Impressions

1.9K

Impressions

9

Media Placements

Mission Impact

YEAR-TO-DATE

FOOD DISTRIBUTION and BASIC NEEDS

94,685

individuals served

1,216,507

lbs of food given directly to people

5,311,550

lbs food given to area agencies

845,532

lbs of fresh produce distributed

ABUSE SERVICES

9,058

safe nights for women and children
at the Safe House

7,468

individuals helped with services
provided though the Outreach Center

3,007

hotline calls received

6,905

participants in Peacemaker and
Youth Advocate presentations

HOMELESS PREVENTION PROJECT + HOUSING STABILITY SERVICES

Homeless
Outreach Services

95

Goldsmith Gardens
+ The Oaks

50

adults and children living in affordable housing
operated by Hope Villages of America
(households)