

THE *Hope* REPORT

from Hope Villages of America

Addressing Hunger + Housing + Abuse



Fox 13 Interview

A huge thank you to our friends at Fox 13 for inviting us for an interview to discuss Stamp Out Hunger. During the interview, Interim CEO, Melinda Perry highlighted the importance of this nationwide initiative, which aims to collect non-perishable food items to support local food banks and address food insecurity in our community.

Todo Tampa Bay Interview

We recently did an interview with Todo Tampa Bay on the incredible work of Karey and Denali, who volunteer their time by providing emotional support to our participants. We discussed Denali's story and how she got involved with Hope Villages of America. Thank you, Karey and Denali, for the much-needed support and therapy for our survivors.



Leadership Pinellas Visit

Leadership Pinellas Class of 2023 stopped by to visit us during their Human Services Program Day. The group took a tour of our Food Distribution Center and participated in Hunger 101. Thanks, LP, for taking the time to learn more about the work HVA is doing to address food insecurity in our community.



Youth Life Skills

We recently held our Youth Life Skills class at The Oaks. Our youth enjoyed making Mother's Day crafts for their incredible mothers. Thank you to our instructor, Cathy, for leading such an awesome class!

Mary Kay Donation

Thank you to our friend Andrea Buehler, with Mary Kay, for your generous donation and Mother's Day gifts to all of the moms at The Haven. Your gifts of beauty and skincare products made Mother's Day extra special for our survivors.



Stamp Out Hunger

We are bursting with appreciation and gratitude for the incredible volunteers who dedicated their time and energy to make this year's Stamp Out Hunger a resounding success! Whether you helped collect, sort, package, or distributed food items, your efforts have ensured that nourishing meals and hope reached those who need it most.



STAFF & VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHTS



Meet Timothy Calhoun

Today, we shine a spotlight on one of our incredible team members, Timothy Calhoun, whose dedication, hard work, and positive attitude have significantly impacted our organization and the communities we serve. Timothy is a St. Pete native and enjoys swimming, blogging, creating episodes for his podcast, and spending time with family. Timothy has been with the organization since 2020 and currently serves as the Housing Stability Services Division Manager. Timothy works with the families residing at HVA's affordable housing communities and participants in our Pathways to Success Program. Timothy has a passion for doing impactful and life-changing work. Timothy credits his mother as his inspiration to get into the Human Service field, as she was a single mother who worked hard and pushed through college to provide a better life for her family. Timothy says he decided to work for HVA because he wanted to work with other parents like his mother, to help them achieve their goals while overcoming their struggles. Thank you, Timothy for your commitment to making a difference in the lives of the people we serve.

Meet Lisa Wigfall

Lisa comes to Hope Villages with an extensive background in IT.

Lisa has been able to use her experience and background to help with implementing best practices for tracking data. When Lisa isn't volunteering in the community, she is out traveling with her family. Thank you, Lisa, for your invaluable contributions and embodying the spirit of service and community.

We appreciate you!





UPCOMING EVENTS

Join the Mission!

HUNGER 101

Hosted by the Hope Villages of America Food Bank

2 opportunities to join!

JUNE 20
JUNE 27

6PM - 7PM

The Food Bank at Hope Villages
700 Druid Rd, Clearwater

\$10

SUGGESTED
DONATION

HOW IT WORKS

HUNGER 101 is a role-playing, interactive game that brings awareness to food insecurity and hunger in Tampa Bay.

Each participant is assigned a different scenario and then directed to purchase or obtain food and meet the 2000 calories per day goal.

Afterward, the group is gathered together to discuss the challenges faced while trying to achieve their task, given their assigned scenario.

Finally, we review the differences between food insecurity and hunger as well as ways to help address this issue in our community.

For more info and to rsvp,
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Christmas
IN JULY

DID YOU KNOW,
the most critical time for food banks in the United States is not during the holiday season, but actually during the summer months?

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JOIN OUR CAMPAIGN TO
END SUMMER HUNGER!

Summer should be a time for children to enjoy playing with friends, a family vacation, or time at the pool. But for many children, **SUMMER means HUNGER.**

▶ OUR GOAL ◀
Everyone gives \$0.90/DAY for 90 days = \$81

Can't do \$0.90 a day? No problem!
How can you give to ensure no child goes hungry this summer?

\$0.09/day for \$8.10
\$0.19/day for \$17.10
\$0.49/day for \$44.10

Advancement & Communications

97%

Grants awarded vs. goal

\$2.5M YTD

MAY 2023



3.7K

Followers



1.9K

Followers

4.6K

Impressions

507

Impressions

1,490

Volunteer Hours

5

Media Placements

Mission Impact

YEAR-TO-DATE

FOOD DISTRIBUTION and BASIC NEEDS

26,358

individuals served

326,920

lbs of food given directly to people

1,144,199

lbs food given to area agencies

208,856

lbs of fresh produce distributed

ABUSE SERVICES

2,537

safe nights for women and children
at the Safe House

1,315

individuals helped with services
provided though the Outreach Center

679

hotline calls received

1,784

participants in Peacemaker and
Youth Advocate presentations

HOMELESS PREVENTION PROJECT + HOUSING STABILITY SERVICES

Homeless
Outreach Services

340

Goldsmith Gardens
+ The Oaks

70

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