

# THE *Hope* REPORT

from Hope Villages of America Addressing Hunger + Housing + Abuse

OCTOBER 2023



## *USF Wellness Fair*

We had a fantastic time at the USF Wellness Fair, where we had the opportunity to showcase our programs, services, and volunteer needs. It was an inspiring event that allowed us to connect with the community and share our mission of support, hope, and empowerment. Thank you, USF, for inviting us to share our resources!



## *Cox Fire Protection Volunteers*

A HUGE thank you to the incredible team at Cox Fire Protection for lending a helping hand at Goldsmith Gardens, our Affordable Housing property. Your dedication and volunteerism have made a significant impact, and we can't thank you enough!

Together, you helped transform our community with a beautification project and brought vibrant new life with your painting skills. Your generosity is a true testament to the power of teamwork and community spirit.



## *Faces of Domestic Violence Luncheon*

We are thrilled to share a glimpse of our recent Faces of Domestic Violence Luncheon. It was an incredibly moving event where survivors bravely shared their stories of strength and resilience.

We also had the opportunity to highlight the remarkable impact we're making in our community through our services for domestic violence victims. Together, we're creating a brighter and safer future for those who have experienced abuse.

We are deeply inspired by the courage of survivors and humbled by the unwavering support of our community. Thank you for being a part of this important journey.



## *Pinellas County Courthouse DV Display*

We're proud to have unveiled a powerful display at the Pinellas County Courthouse throughout the month of October to shed light on the critical issue of domestic violence. This eye-catching display was bilingual, with information provided in both English and Spanish to ensure it reached every corner of our diverse community. Let's work together to raise awareness, support survivors, and prevent domestic violence. Knowledge is power, and we're here to empower our community.



## *Domestic Violence Proclamation*

We extend our heartfelt appreciation to the Town of Belleair, City of Safety Harbor, and the City of St. Petersburg for proclaiming October as Domestic Violence Awareness Month. By recognizing this important month, we are taking a united stand against domestic violence and showing our commitment to creating safer, more supportive communities. Thank you for joining us in the fight to end the cycle of violence and for helping survivors find hope, healing, and strength. ♡



## *Junior League of Clearwater-Dunedin Visit*

A heartfelt shoutout to the amazing volunteers from the Junior League of Clearwater-Dunedin for their dedication at our food bank. Their commitment to making a difference in our community is truly inspiring.

The group played a crucial role in sorting through our food donations, ensuring that we can continue to provide essential nourishment to those in need. But their contribution didn't stop there; they also participated in our "Hunger 101" experience, gaining invaluable insights into the challenges faced by our food bank guests who experience food insecurity.

Thank you for your compassion, hard work, and for standing in solidarity with those we serve. Your support is a beacon of hope!



## *Picnic in the Park*

It was an honor to be part of the St. Petersburg Housing Authorities' "Picnic in the Park" event at Jordan Park recently, where we had the privilege of sharing information about our services and distributing boxes of food to their residents.

Your support and collaboration allow us to extend our reach and make a meaningful impact in our community. Together, we're creating brighter, more secure futures for those we serve.

Thank you for being an essential part of our mission!



## *Spooktacular Halloween Fun at The Oaks*

We had a hauntingly good time at The Oaks as kids carved pumpkins, decorated cookies, played, and enjoyed a delicious dinner. It was a day filled with laughter, creativity, and the spirit of Halloween.

We're so grateful to create these memorable moments for the young ones in our community. Your support makes it all possible!





# CURRENT EVENTS

*Join us in sharing the warmth and joy of the season!*



Hope Villages of America, in collaboration with the Salvation Army, is delighted to offer you a special ticket for a

*Thanksgiving*  *Turkey*

 October 16 - November 17, 2023

visit the HVA Food Distribution and Basic Needs Division at:  
700 Druid Rd., Clearwater

 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Get your ticket for a Turkey at the HVA Food Distribution and Basic Needs Division, and the Turkey distribution will be at Salvation Army at 1521 Druid Rd., Clearwater, FL 33756.


### IMPORTANT DETAILS:


This offer is exclusively for Pinellas County residents

One Turkey per family

Please bring a form of identification with a picture or a passport

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# Advancement & Communications

**97%**

Grants awarded vs. goal

**\$2.5M YTD**

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**3.8K**

Followers



**1.8K**

Followers

**9.8K**

Impressions

**1.8K**

Impressions

**3,082**

Volunteer Hours

**13**

Media Placements



# Mission Impact

## YEAR-TO-DATE

### FOOD DISTRIBUTION and BASIC NEEDS

**60,925**

individuals served

**824,385**

lbs of food given directly to people

**3,037,442**

lbs food given to area agencies

**485,583**

lbs of fresh produce distributed

### ABUSE SERVICES

**6,581**

safe nights for women and children  
at the Safe House

**3,088**

individuals helped with services  
provided though the Outreach Center

**1,517**

hotline calls received

**2,963**

participants in Peacemaker and  
Youth Advocate presentations

### HOMELESS PREVENTION PROJECT + HOUSING STABILITY SERVICES

Homeless  
Outreach Services

**1,174**

Goldsmith Gardens  
+ The Oaks

**63**

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