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Food Assistance Resources

The burden of financial problems can be overwhelming for many individuals. For some, the financial problems must be handled first before seeking out other recovery options, as houses could be under foreclosure, assets could be seized, or other emergency situations may be the top priority at that time. Emergency financial supports and assistance can help with cash, child care, clothing, food, housing and shelters, mortgage and rent, medications, telephone and cell phone bills, transportation, and utility bills.

This guide lists programs that can help with: **Food**.

Looking for more help? FCCG offers free Problem Gambling Resource Packs on other topics. Download them at gamblinghelp.org/problem-gambling-resource-packs

How to use this guide: Statewide programs are listed first. Local programs follow, grouped by county (A to Z). Some programs serve several counties and appear in full under each one. Click any heading in the contents, or any web address, to go straight to it.

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Statewide Programs

Programs available across Florida or nationally, plus programs whose listing does not name a specific county or city.

Feeding America – OrderAhead.org

About OrderAhead

OrderAhead is a fast, convenient, private way for you and your family to get the food you need.

OrderAhead was developed by Feeding America and its network of Food Banks to make it easier for people seeking food assistance to get the help they need.

Feeding America is a nonprofit network of more than 200 food banks that help feed more than 46 million people through food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, and other community-based agencies. It is the second largest U.S. charity. In 2019, Feeding America saved more than 72 billion pounds of food that would have been thrown away.

Why OrderAhead?

1. **Saves time**

Order and sign up from a smart phone, tablet or computer, and pick up your order at a time and location convenient for you.

2. **Privacy**

Get the assistance you need on your terms.

3. **Customized**

Choose the products that work for you and your family.

How It Works: Step by Step

1. **Choose a pick up location and time** Choose a pickup location and pickup window or select a delivery time slot if available. You can learn more about the instructions for each location in the details section.
2. **Shop what is in stock that week** Add available items to your cart. When you are ready click on the cart to complete your order.
3. **Register and checkout** Create an account or log in and complete the checkout process.
4. **Pick up your free groceries!** You will get an order confirmation and reminder to pickup your order either by email or text.

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services: Summer Break Spot

Website	https://www.summerbreakspot.org/
Email	InfoFNW@FDACS.gov

The Summer BreakSpot Program, also known as the Summer Food Service Program, is federally funded under the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) and, in Florida, administered by the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services. Sites are

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locally operated by nonprofit organizations that provide the meals and receive a reimbursement from USDA.

When schools are released for the summer, our website stays up-to-date with an interactive map that allows you to find meal locations. You can also find a location by texting the word “Food” or “Comida” to 304-304.

Summer BreakSpot sites serve nutritionally balanced meals that meet USDA guidelines.

Breakfasts include:

- 1 serving of milk
  - 1 serving of fruits or vegetables
  - 1 serving of grains

Lunches/Suppers include:

- 1 serving of milk
  - 2 servings of fruits and/or vegetables
  - 1 serving of grains
  - 1 serving of protein

Snacks include 2 of the following:

- 1 serving of milk
  - 1 serving of fruits or vegetables
  - 1 serving of grains
  - 1 serving of protein

Requirements

At almost all sites, there is no application necessary and any child 18 or younger can simply come during meal times to receive a meal.

Contact

Contact our office to find out if a partner already exists in your area by emailing InfoFNW@FDACS.gov or calling 1-800-504-6609. If there are no meal sites in your area, you can help to find community partners. A school district, nonprofit organization or local government agency can become a partner that is responsible for the administration of the program.

Florida Impact to End Hunger

Website	https://floridaimpact.org/

Florida Impact to End Hunger is dedicated to advancing health equity by ending hunger for all Floridians. We mobilize communities to maximize access to federal, state, and local food and nutrition programs with a focus on Florida’s most vulnerable populations.

Contact your local 2-1-1 for information & Referral

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Florida’s SUNCAP Program

Please note: The Florida Department of Children and Families (DCF) reports that Florida’s SUNCAP Program ended September 30, 2026. Please contact the program to confirm its current status before applying.

Website	https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-snap

The SUNCAP Program is a special Food Assistance Program for individuals who receive Supplemental Security Income (SSI). You may be eligible to receive food assistance benefits through the SUNCAP Program without any additional application, paperwork, or interviews. If you already receive food assistance benefits in the regular Food Assistance Program, you may be automatically put in the SUNCAP Program when you become SSI eligible. If your food assistance benefits will go down because of SUNCAP, you may choose to continue receiving your food assistance benefits under the regular Food Assistance Program.

For more information, go to the SUNCAP Brochure (https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-snap)

- SUNCAP folleto en español (https://www.myflfamilies.com/documents/1111.pdf)
- SUNCAP bwochi an kreyòl ayisyen (https://www.myflfamilies.com/documents/1101.pdf)

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Florida currently serves over 44,000 SUNCAP households statewide.

Who is eligible for the SUNCAP Program?

Individuals may be eligible for SUNCAP if they wish to apply for Food Assistance and:

- Receive SSI,
- Are at least 18 years old,
- Are not working, and
- Purchase and prepare food alone.

What are the benefits of the SUNCAP Program?

- Your interview for SSI benefits is your interview for SUNCAP.
- You won ’t be asked to complete separate forms.
- You won ’t be asked for additional copies of your personal records.
- You only have to report changes in your situation that are required by the Social Security Administration (SSA).
- You only need to be recertified every three years through your SSI renewal.

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- You will receive an EBT (Electronic Benefit Transfer) card to access your Food Assistance benefits. Do I have to get my Food Assistance through the SUNCAP Program? No, you can choose to receive in the regular Food Assistance Program if you:
- Pay more than $35 a month in outof-pocket medical expenses; or
- Pay more than $800.00 per month for rent, mortgage, or property taxes.

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How do I apply for the SUNCAP Program?

File for SSI at one of the Florida Social Security offices, and Social Security will decide if you are eligible for SUNCAP, or

File for the regular Food Assistance Program, if you get SSI you will be converted to SUNCAP, or

Contact the SUNCAP Unit If you already get SSI, but do not get Food Assistance.

850-300-4323,

Florida Relay 711, or

1-800-955-8771(TTY)

- To apply for regular food assistance: https://www.myflorida.com/accessflorida/
- Conversion from the regular Food Assistance Program may take up to 90 days.
- SUNCAP cases are not eligible for Expedited Food Assistance or partial months of benefits.

Florida’s SUNCAP Program – Brochure

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Rescue Missions

Website	https://www.jericho-road.net/

Low income, working poor, and individuals who are homeless or on the verge of homelessness may be able to get help from rescue missions in Florida. These locations can provide the low income access to numerous services and resources. There are a number of Rescue Mission organizations throughout Florida, as noted below.

The exact type and details of the services offered to the working poor will vary based upon each individual mission in Florida, but in general below you can get information below on some of the assistance programs offered, as well as who to contact for help.

- Homeless prevention and housing assistance may be offered by the Florida rescue missions. Examples include homeless prevention and rapid rehousing, case management, transitional housing, shelter, and information on Section 8 HUD programs as well as possible rent and energy bill help.
  - Food assistance, which can include hot meals, free groceries and food from on site pantries, and government food programs.
  - Job training and educational programs can include such programs and services as services as career counseling, GED programs, English, Computerized academic programs and training, English as a second language, life skills, resume review, computer training, and more.
  - Thrift stores in which people can get clothing, furniture, or household products.
  - Health and medical care from community clinics, government medical programs, medical care for children, and more.
  - Information - The rescue missions can provide information and details on grant programs, Florida and federal government assistance programs, and other non-profits that can provide help with bills, rent, and other expenses.

Locations of Rescue Missions in Florida

Jericho Road Ministries Inc.
Brooksville, FL
Phone number - (352) 799-2912
https://www.jericho-road.net/

Faith Farm Ministries:
Boynton Beach, Florida
561-737-2259
https://www.faithfarm.org/mens-program-boynton-beach-campus/

Lighthouse Ministries Inc: Lakeland, FL
(863) 687-4076
https://www.lighthousemin.org/contact

Manna on Wheels Inc: Dover, FL
813-767-5708
https://www.mannaonwheels.org/contact

Miami Rescue Mission Inc.
Miami, FL
(305) 571-2273
https://caringplace.org/

Orlando Union Rescue Mission: Orlando, FL
Call - (407) 422-4855
https://ourm.org/

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Panama City Rescue Mission
Panama City, Florida
(850) 769-0783
https://pcrmission.org/

The City Rescue Mission, Inc.: Jacksonville, FL
(904) 387-4357
https://www.crmjax.org/

Trinity Rescue Mission: Jacksonville, FL
(904) 355-1205
https://trinityrescue.org/

Waterfront Rescue Mission Inc.
Pensacola, FL
Phone - (850) 478-4027
https://waterfrontmission.org/contact/

The Path of Citrus County
Beverly Hills, FL
(352) 527-6500
https://www.pathofcitrus.org/

Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP)

Website	https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-snap
Email	D11.SFL.CallCenter@myflfamilies.com

Background

SNAP, formerly known as the Food Stamp Program, is the nation's most important anti-hunger program. SNAP provides nutritional support for low-income seniors, people with disabilities living on fixed incomes, and other individuals and families with low incomes. SNAP is a federal program administered by the Florida Department of Children and Families Office of Economic Self-Sufficiency (ESS). ESS is responsible for determining eligibility for SNAP using federal guidelines.

SNAP Fact Sheet: **https://www.myflfamilies.com/documents/30896.pdf**

Ways to Protect Your EBT Benefits: https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/ebt-transaction-protection/

Eligibility

SNAP eligibility rules and benefit levels are, for the most part, set at the federal level and uniform across the nation, though states have flexibility to tailor aspects of the program. Individuals must pass all eligibility rules to receive food assistance benefits. Some of the eligibility rules are:

- **Identity** - Applicants must provide proof of their identity.
- **Work Rules** - Individuals aged 16 – 59 must meet General Work Requirements for SNAP unless exempt, such as being unable to work, caring for young children or incapacitated persons, or being a student. Additionally, adults aged 18 – 59, unless exempt, must work or participate in the SNAP Employment and Training Program (SNAP E&T). For additional information on Work Rules or Able Bodied Adults without Dependents (ABAWDs) visit **Frequently Asked Questions** (https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/abawd)
- **Income** – Most households must pass a gross income limit less than or equal to 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL).
- **Deductions** – Some household expenses may be subtracted from the total monthly income in the food assistance budget. The budget may subtract for shelter expenses,

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dependent care, medical expenses, child support paid, utility deductions, and earned income deduction.

- **Residency** - Individuals must be a resident of Florida.
- **Citizenship** - Individuals must be a U.S. citizen or have a qualified noncitizen status.
- **SSN** - Individuals must provide a Social Security Number or proof they have applied for one.
- **Child Support Cooperation** - Certain individuals must cooperate with the state's child support enforcement agency to prove a child's legal relationship to their parent and to get the court to order child support payments.
- **Assets** - Most food assistance households may have assets such as vehicles, bank accounts, or property and still get help. Households with a disqualified member must meet an asset limit of $2,500 ($3,750 if the household contains an elderly or disabled member.
- **Reporting Changes** - Households must report when their total monthly gross income exceeds 130% of the Federal Poverty Level for their household size and when work hours of able bodied adults fall below 80 hours per month. The household must report these changes within 10 days after the end of the month of the change.

Learn More: https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/supplemental-nutrition-assistance-program-snap/snap-eligibility

Ineligibility

Ineligibility: Individuals are ineligible for SNAP if they:

- are convicted of drug trafficking,
- are running away from a felony warrant,
- purposely break Food Assistance Program rules,
- are noncitizens without a qualified status, or
- are a student who attends an institution of higher education at least half time, in some circumstances.

SNAP Benefits

Households can use food assistance benefits to buy breads, cereals, fruits, vegetables, meats, fish, poultry, dairy, and plants and seeds to grow food for your household to eat. Households cannot use food assistance benefits to buy nonfood items such as pet foods, soaps, paper products, household supplies, grooming items, alcoholic beverages, tobacco, vitamins, medicines, food to eat in the store, or hot foods. For more information on SNAP Benefits, go to Food Assistance Program Factsheet (https://www.myflfamilies.com/documents/30896.pdf).

For Out of State Agencies seeking to verify information with Florida's Department of Children and Families Economic Self Sufficiency Program regarding a client, please send an email to D11.SFL.CallCenter@myflfamilies.com.

The Electronic Benefits Transfer Card

Once approved for SNAP and/or TANF benefits, your re-loadable EBT card will be mailed to your mailing address on file.

Learn more about EBT cards: https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/electronic-benefits-transfer-card

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Learn how to protect your EBT card: https://www.myflfamilies.com/services/public-assistance/ebt-transaction-protection

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Financial Assistance

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to individuals in need. The St. Vincent de Paul Society offers tangible assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. It is this personalized involvement that makes the work of the Society unique. This aid may take the form of providing guidance and through direct dollar or in-kind service. An essential precept of the Society`s work is to provide help while conscientiously maintaining the confidentiality and dignity of those who are served.

We provide emergency assistance primarily for emergency shelter, rent, mortgage assistance, utilities, food, gas, car repairs and other essentials.

Some 12 million persons are helped annually by Vincentians in the United States.

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Alachua County

Bread of the Mighty Food Bank – A Branch of Feeding Northeast Florida

Address	325 NW 10th Avenue, Gainesville, FL 32601
Phone	Phone: 352-336-0839
Website	https://breadofthemighty.org/
Email	contact@breadofthemighty.org

Who We Are

Bread of the Mighty Food Bank is a private non-profit organization celebrating 37 years of serving the community. We collect, sort, store, and distribute donated food and basic essentials to 175+ food pantries and feeding programs.

We have a four-county service area - Alachua, Gilchrist, Levy and Union.

Our 25,000-square-foot warehouse has 2,600 square feet of cooler and freezer capacity. We're on the road five days a week picking up donated food from generous retailers and wholesalers that in turn gets distributed back to the community.

In an effort to keep perishable and fresh items from sitting in our warehouse, our "Food on the Move" program was established. This ensures fresh and perishable items don't sit in the warehouse and quickly get into the hands of those in need.

In May 2023, our organization proudly joined Feeding Northeast Florida as a branch, expanding our reach to collectively serve 12 counties in Northeast and North Central Florida.

Being part of the Feeding Northeast Florida network provides us with a powerful foundation for success. The collaborative strength and efficiency inherent in this network ensure not only immediate impact but also long-term, enduring success. Together, we strive to make a significant difference in the lives of those we serve, fostering a resilient and nourished community for years to come.

For every $1 donated, Bread of the Mighty Food Bank can provide up to 6 meals.

Contact Info:

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 5086 Gainesville, Florida 32627

Email: contact@breadofthemighty.org

Website: https://breadofthemighty.org/

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Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

Address	1701 NE 9th Street, Gainesville, FL 32609
Phone	Phone: 352-372-0294
Website	https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/
Email	jdixon@ccgnv.org, smiller@ccgnv.org
Counties served	Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

Fax: 386-754-5325

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CatholicCharitiesGainesville Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 4:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 46 years, Catholic Charities Gainesville has served the local communities of Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy counties with charitable services. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, poverty reduction and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **BRIDGES TO PROSPERITY: ADDRESSING POVERTY FROM A PERSONAL AND SOCIETAL PERSPECTIVE**
  - The Bridges to Prosperity program is a three-part program that views poverty from a personal and societal perspective. The pillars of the program consist of teaching financial fitness, sharing insight on getting ahead and staying on track, and matching graduates with community allies to work toward their goals.
  - We work with each client individually to create a spending plan and build smart financial habits to help achieve their goals and overcome their obstacles, all while offering education on the cycle of poverty and its impact on communities.
    - **Part 1: Financial Fitness** This four-week course is designed to help people find extra dollars every month to save, create a spending plan, and avoid falling into money and credit traps.
- **Part 2: Getting Ahead in a "Just Getting By" World** This 15-week course digs deeper into the causes of poverty and its impacts on the community and the individual. We work with the client to establish objectives and goals to help them become self-sufficient.
- **Part 3: Community Allies**

This portion of the program involves matching the graduates up with community Allies to work together toward the goals set out in part 2.

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For more information, contact Rev. James Dixon at 352-372-0294, ext. 434 or jdixon@ccgnv.org

- **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
  - Our Emergency Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Gainesville and surrounding counties. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - Our food pantry currently provides about 850 pounds of food per week, serving more than 1,000 people per month. Families struggling to make ends meet can visit our pantry once per month. We provide food packages nutritionally balanced to meet the needs of each family or individual, including specialized foods for those who have diabetes as well as bags for homeless clients that take into consideration a person's ability to cook.
  - Our agency also offers limited financial assistance to help with rent, mortgages, utilities, and prescriptions. In 2020, we provided more than 809 individuals in need with financial assistance through support from community partners like United Way of North Central Florida.

For more information contact Sabrina Miller smiller@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 438

- **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESOL): HELPING THOSE LEARNING TO SPEAK ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**
- Through our English as a Second Language (ESOL) program, we provide learning resources to those who are not native English speakers.
- Our English Language Literacy Program is designed to help anyone who is looking to learn or improve their skills in English comprehension and usage. Our small and personal classroom environment is designed to meet multi-level needs and understanding of the English language. Our twice weekly classes are taught by Certified ESL instructors with over twelve years of experience.

For more information contact Pat Rayos prayos@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 421

- **HOPWA AND ELIGIBILITY: CONNECTING THOSE IN NEED WITH HOUSING ASSISTANCE**
- Catholic Charities Gainesville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:
- Case Management
- Referrals
- Group Counseling
- Caregiver Services

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For more information or see if you qualify, please contact Susan Frizzell sfrizzell@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, ext. 427

- **RURAL MOBILE OUTREACH: DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO THOSE LIVING IN RURAL AREAS IN OUR FIVE-COUNTY SERVICE AREA**
- Our Rural Mobile Outreach program provides basic necessities to those in rural areas who are struggling. Most often, these are children and the elderly. Without reliable transportation to visit us for assistance, these individuals and families would have no way to get the help they need. Instead, we bring support directly to them, providing food, toiletries, school supplies and more to keep them on their feet.
- The Mobile Outreach Clinic has partnered with Catholic Charities of Gainesville to further extend it's mission and outreach to other communities including Micanopy and Hawthorne through the Rural Mobile Outreach Program. They will be serving these areas on a rotating basis every Tuesday of the month. Please contact them at (352)273-5329 for more information or to schedule an appointment! See https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/news for schedule details.

For more information, contact John Harris at Jharris@ccgnv.org or 352-372-0294, ext. 435

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack program is a relief program that provides meals to children who don’t have reliable access to food during the weekends and rely on their weekday lunches from school. Our program strives to provide more than 700 children each week with the food they need to stay healthy, happy and successful in the classroom. On average, it costs about $6 to feed a child over the weekend.
- We welcome the community’s support for this program and accept donations of nutritious and kid-friendly food during the school year. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Canned meat: tuna, chicken, vienna sausage
- Canned goods: fruit, ravioli, vegetables, beans, soup, chili w/ beans
- Juice boxes
- Macaroni & cheese
- Pudding & Jell-O packs
- Snack crackers
- Raisins
- Applesauce
- Fruit Chews
- The foods above were recommended by local nutritionists and food pantries as “kid-friendly” nutritious food items that are easy for a child to carry (no glass please). The “Wish list” is provided to help guide your search for food. However, these are ONLY suggestions. We WILL accept other food not included on this list.

For more information contact Courtland Conner at cconner@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 436

- **ADOPTIONS & PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

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- Catholic Charities Gainesville provides services designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, provide care for women and their children, and to assist in the building of families through adoption.
- The program provides multiple services including:
- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child
- Post-legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to the birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are needed
- Adoption education to the community

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

Salvation Army – Gainesville FL Corps

Address	639 E University Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601
Phone	Phone: 352-376-1743
Website	https://gainesville.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Website: https://gainesville.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

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Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
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- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

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school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (Alachua County Conference)

Address	500 NE 16th Ave, Gainesville, FL 32601
Phone	Phone: (352) 222-0588; (352) 372-4641
Email	bjhelt@cox.net
Hours	Hours: 24 hours through voicemail

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

"No work of Charity is foreign to the Society", so some Conferences may provide unique, or specialized, services depending on the needs of the community, or the individuals, that the Conference serves. Interaction with other charitable, service, or community organizations may also affect the amount and scope of resources that a Conference is able to provide to those in need.

The St. Augustine Diocesan Council is organized with three geographically oriented District Councils to provide administration and support to the Conferences located in the Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine.

Gainesville District Council (Alachua County Conference)

St. Patrick Conference

Bill Heltemes, President; Email: bjhelt@cox.net

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities, and provides food and clothing.

Areas served: Financial Assistance: Gainesville area, east of 13th street.

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Baker County

Catholic Charities Jacksonville

Address	40 E. Adams St., #320, Jacksonville, FL 32202
Phone	Phone: (904) 354-4846
Website	https://www.ccbjax.org/
Email	info@ccbjax.org
Counties served	Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau

Catholic Charities Jacksonville Regional Office

Email: info@ccbjax.org

ABOUT US

For more than 75 years, Catholic Charities Jacksonville has served the local community as a compassionate helper, respected leader, and a reliable partner. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency. Catholic Charities puts faith into action to serve the most vulnerable in our community, advocating for justice, human dignity and quality of life, while reflecting the compassion of God in Christ.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, immigration legal services, refugee resettlement and caring for persons with intellectual and developmental differences, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives. Counties Served: Baker, Clay, Duval and Nassau.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** The Emergency Financial Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - **Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program** Thanks to our partnership with Changing Homelessness, Catholic Charities Jacksonville are able to provide supportive services for low or very low-income Veterans and Veteran families who are homeless, at-risk of losing housing, or residing in, or transitioning to permanent housing. To be screened for this program, please call 904-638-2112 or 866-367-7783.
    - **Services that are provided include:**
      - Case Management
      - Transportation Assistance
      - Legal Services
      - Housing Counseling Services
      - Personal Financial Planning
      - Job Counseling Services
      - Moving Assistance

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        - Temporary Financial Assistance
        - Referral to Other Agency or Area Resources
    - **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. For more information and to apply for assistance, visit: https://www.ccbjax.org/emergency-financial-assistance

Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:

- Case Management
    - Referrals
        - Group Counseling
            - Caregiver Services
    - **Emergency Financial Assistance (NON HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families:

- Examples of some services available:
    - Case Management
        - Referrals
        - Assistance with utilities
        - Assistance with rent
        - Transitional housing for homeless
- **FOOD ASSISTANCE: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville serves people of all faiths and backgrounds. We encourage any of our neighbors who may be struggling to visit our drive-thru food pantry located at St. Pius V Catholic Church campus.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

St. Pius V Catholic Church Campus

1470 West 13th Street

Jacksonville, 32209

Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

Our team begins giving tickets at 8:30 a.m. for up to 70 clients. Guests can return every two weeks, and our team collects basic demographics of each household. One ticket is permitted per household, and you must be present when your number is called. If you are not present, our team will move on to the next number - so please stick around once you receive your ticket. During holidays, please check our website or call us for adjusted food distribution schedules.

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Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn’t an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

Address:

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Bay County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Panama City Office

Address	3128 East 11th St., Panama City, FL 32401
Phone	Phone: 850-763-0475
Counties served	Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Washington

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Feeding the Gulf Coast

Website	https://www.feedingthegulfcoast.org/
Counties served	Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington

Feeding the Gulf Coast assists families and individuals along the central Gulf Coast in many ways. More than 400 community partners are ready to provide groceries and meals to those struggling to afford food. In Florida, Feeding the Gulf Coast serves Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, and Bay Counties.

Child Nutrition Programs

- **The Backpack Program**

The Backpack Program, which began in 2004, meets the needs of chronically hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and breaks when school meals are unavailable. The Backpack Program is located at schools with a high incidence of children in need. Each backpack provides children with six meals and two snacks.

- **The School Pantry Program**

Similar to the Backpack Program, the School Pantry Program provides students with nutritious, nonperishable, and easily consumed food and other necessities. The program allows children dignity, privacy, and comfort in selecting food and other items that the student and their family need. Teachers, counselors, and school nurses identify students based on their level of need and as they demonstrate signs of hunger in the classroom. Students can visit the school pantry weekly to select nutritious, easy-to-prepare food and toiletries for personal use.

- **The Afterschool Meals Program**

The Afterschool Meals Program provides free meals and snacks to children through a variety of community locations—such as Boys and Girls Clubs, churches or public schools. This program is funded through the federal Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP). The children who attend these programs receive free meals that meet federal guidelines for nutrition.

- **The Summer Meals Program**

Similar to the Afterschool Meals Program, Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Summer Meals Program to ensure children in our region have access to free, nutritious meals during the summer when school is out for the summer along the central Gulf Coast. Sites in this program serve two meals daily (breakfast, lunch, or snacks) to children in their community. This program is funded through the federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Food Rescue Programs

- **Store Donation Program**

The Store Donation Program provides the food bank and its agencies with various fresh products, including produce, dairy, meat, and bread, by connecting the food bank with local retail grocery stores. Through the program, stores donate their wholesome but unsaleable food to the food bank. In some areas, Feeding the Gulf Coast trains and certifies select agencies to pick up food directly from these stores and distribute the donations to their clients through their feeding programs. Not only does this get food into the hands of those in

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need faster, but it also enables the food bank to use resources like trucks, employees, and monetary donations in other places. Feeding the Gulf Coast and select agencies pick up from approximately 250 stores each week, collecting nearly 1.25 million pounds of food every month.

Food Distribution Programs

- **Senior Boxes**

Nearly 5 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. After a lifetime of hard work, 63% of the households with older adults (50+) find themselves facing an impossible choice — to buy groceries or medical care. And as the baby-boom generation ages, the number of seniors facing hunger is only expected to increase.

Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP, Senior Boxes) in select Alabama and Florida counties. This program provides food to seniors in need by giving USDA-donated foods to eligible participants through a monthly food package. Seniors must be 60 years of age or older and have a household income at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Senior Boxes Improve Health

CSFP helps to combat the poor health conditions often found in food-insecure seniors. According to research*, food-insecure seniors (60+) are significantly more likely to intake lower amounts of essential vitamins, to be in poor or fair health, and to have physical limitations. Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk for:

- Increased disability
- Decreased resistance to infections
- Deteriorating mental health
- Lengthening of hospital stays
- Diabetes
- **Mobile Pantry Program**

The Mobile Pantry Program directly serves clients in areas of high need to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area. Through a mobile pantry, a truckload of food is distributed to clients in a single-day allowing us to provide a family with enough food for a week for just $10. Each mobile pantry distributes a variety of product include protein, canned or fresh produce, dairy, and grains.

Produce Drop

A produce drop distributes thousands of pounds of fresh produce to communities in need. Food deserts are areas with little access to fresh produce, or the price of fruits and vegetables is too much for families in need to afford. This single-day distribution helps eliminate the need for food to be stored at a local pantry and gets the product into the client's hands quicker.

Community Health & Nutrition

- **Nourishing Our Communities**

For people facing food insecurity, the challenge of adequate diet and nutrition, doctor visits, and medication is often unmanageable, creating a cycle of tough choices that results in otherwise manageable diseases becoming a health crisis. Feeding the Gulf Coast recognizes the parallel union proper nutrition has in combating the impacts of food insecurity on health.

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We believe no one should be without the food they need for a better life. As part of our work to address this, Feeding the Gulf Coast has established a Community Health and Nutrition department to ensure every community has access to a balanced, nutritious diet.

- **Healthcare Partnerships:** By working with healthcare providers to address food insecurity as a social determinant of health, these partnerships will expand and grow our current “Food as Medicine” initiatives seeking to improve health outcomes by increasing access to nutritious food and education.
- **Nutrition Education Classes:** These science-backed classes create an avenue of attainable steps that clients can use to inform their choices regarding diet and meal planning. Our nutrition specialists provide in-person nutrition education classes, indirect education activities, and other nutrition nudges to help families better understand the vital role nutrition plays in their health outcomes. **View online classes here.**
- **Mobile Market (Millie):**By bringing nutritious food directly to areas with limited grocery options, Millie the Mobile Market helps ensure more individuals and families can access the healthy food they need to thrive. **Find Millie here.**

Disaster Response

- **When Disaster Strikes**

The food bank swiftly shifts into disaster relief mode when a storm impacts our community while maintaining food assistance and support across the unaffected parts of our service area. Following the storm, we work with our food pantries and meal programs to begin response and recovery efforts. We continue providing relief long after other recovery efforts have ended. We coordinate efforts with local government officials, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and the American Red Cross to ensure unduplicated, efficient and timely relief.

PANHANDLE BRANCH

5709 Industrial Blvd

Milton, FL 32583

(850) 626-1332

Salvation Army – Panama City Corps

Address	1824 W 15th St, Panama City, FL 32401
Phone	Phone: 850-769-5259
Website	https://panamacity.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

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music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul District Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee (Bay County Conference)

Address	3308 E 15th Street, Panama City, FL 32405
Phone	(850) 785-4574
Website	https://www.saintdominicpc.com/

St. Dominic Catholic Church Conference

ABOUT US

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul got its start in Pensacola in 1933. Today the Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee has 6 conferences in Pensacola, 3 conferences in the Niceville and Panama City areas and 2 conferences in Tallahassee. In the spring of 2012, a new youth conference was formed at Pensacola Catholic High School.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to the poor. This aid may take the form of intervention, advocacy, consultation or direct financial aid. A unique feature of the Society of SVDP is its commitment to “home visit” those who ask for our help. By visiting the poor in their homes, we offer a listening ear and friendship. This allows us to ascertain other family needs that a family may not have expressly sought.

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Services: Undesignated Temporary Financial Assistance, including Rent, Utilities, Prescriptions, Dentures, and Food Pantries

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Bradford County

Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

Address	1701 NE 9th Street, Gainesville, FL 32609
Phone	Phone: 352-372-0294
Website	https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/
Email	jdixon@ccgnv.org, smiller@ccgnv.org
Counties served	Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

Fax: 386-754-5325

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CatholicCharitiesGainesville Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 4:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 46 years, Catholic Charities Gainesville has served the local communities of Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy counties with charitable services. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, poverty reduction and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **BRIDGES TO PROSPERITY: ADDRESSING POVERTY FROM A PERSONAL AND SOCIETAL PERSPECTIVE**
  - The Bridges to Prosperity program is a three-part program that views poverty from a personal and societal perspective. The pillars of the program consist of teaching financial fitness, sharing insight on getting ahead and staying on track, and matching graduates with community allies to work toward their goals.
  - We work with each client individually to create a spending plan and build smart financial habits to help achieve their goals and overcome their obstacles, all while offering education on the cycle of poverty and its impact on communities.
    - **Part 1: Financial Fitness** This four-week course is designed to help people find extra dollars every month to save, create a spending plan, and avoid falling into money and credit traps.
- **Part 2: Getting Ahead in a "Just Getting By" World** This 15-week course digs deeper into the causes of poverty and its impacts on the community and the individual. We work with the client to establish objectives and goals to help them become self-sufficient.
- **Part 3: Community Allies**

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This portion of the program involves matching the graduates up with community Allies to work together toward the goals set out in part 2.

For more information, contact Rev. James Dixon at 352-372-0294, ext. 434 or jdixon@ccgnv.org

- **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
  - Our Emergency Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Gainesville and surrounding counties. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - Our food pantry currently provides about 850 pounds of food per week, serving more than 1,000 people per month. Families struggling to make ends meet can visit our pantry once per month. We provide food packages nutritionally balanced to meet the needs of each family or individual, including specialized foods for those who have diabetes as well as bags for homeless clients that take into consideration a person's ability to cook.
  - Our agency also offers limited financial assistance to help with rent, mortgages, utilities, and prescriptions. In 2020, we provided more than 809 individuals in need with financial assistance through support from community partners like United Way of North Central Florida.

For more information contact Sabrina Miller smiller@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 438

- **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESOL): HELPING THOSE LEARNING TO SPEAK ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**
- Through our English as a Second Language (ESOL) program, we provide learning resources to those who are not native English speakers.
- Our English Language Literacy Program is designed to help anyone who is looking to learn or improve their skills in English comprehension and usage. Our small and personal classroom environment is designed to meet multi-level needs and understanding of the English language. Our twice weekly classes are taught by Certified ESL instructors with over twelve years of experience.

For more information contact Pat Rayos prayos@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 421

- **HOPWA AND ELIGIBILITY: CONNECTING THOSE IN NEED WITH HOUSING ASSISTANCE**
- Catholic Charities Gainesville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:
- Case Management
- Referrals
- Group Counseling
- Caregiver Services

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For more information or see if you qualify, please contact Susan Frizzell sfrizzell@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, ext. 427

- **RURAL MOBILE OUTREACH: DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO THOSE LIVING IN RURAL AREAS IN OUR FIVE-COUNTY SERVICE AREA**
- Our Rural Mobile Outreach program provides basic necessities to those in rural areas who are struggling. Most often, these are children and the elderly. Without reliable transportation to visit us for assistance, these individuals and families would have no way to get the help they need. Instead, we bring support directly to them, providing food, toiletries, school supplies and more to keep them on their feet.
- The Mobile Outreach Clinic has partnered with Catholic Charities of Gainesville to further extend it's mission and outreach to other communities including Micanopy and Hawthorne through the Rural Mobile Outreach Program. They will be serving these areas on a rotating basis every Tuesday of the month. Please contact them at (352)273-5329 for more information or to schedule an appointment! See https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/news for schedule details.

For more information, contact John Harris at Jharris@ccgnv.org or 352-372-0294, ext. 435

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack program is a relief program that provides meals to children who don’t have reliable access to food during the weekends and rely on their weekday lunches from school. Our program strives to provide more than 700 children each week with the food they need to stay healthy, happy and successful in the classroom. On average, it costs about $6 to feed a child over the weekend.
- We welcome the community’s support for this program and accept donations of nutritious and kid-friendly food during the school year. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Canned meat: tuna, chicken, vienna sausage
- Canned goods: fruit, ravioli, vegetables, beans, soup, chili w/ beans
- Juice boxes
- Macaroni & cheese
- Pudding & Jell-O packs
- Snack crackers
- Raisins
- Applesauce
- Fruit Chews
- The foods above were recommended by local nutritionists and food pantries as “kid-friendly” nutritious food items that are easy for a child to carry (no glass please). The “Wish list” is provided to help guide your search for food. However, these are ONLY suggestions. We WILL accept other food not included on this list.

For more information contact Courtland Conner at cconner@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 436

- **ADOPTIONS & PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

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- Catholic Charities Gainesville provides services designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, provide care for women and their children, and to assist in the building of families through adoption.
- The program provides multiple services including:
- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child
- Post-legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to the birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are needed
- Adoption education to the community

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn’t an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in

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your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

Address:

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Brevard County

Salvation Army – Cocoa Corps/North Central Brevard

Address	919 Peachtree St., Cocoa, FL 32922
Phone	Phone: (321) 632-6060
Website	https://ncbrevard.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

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The Salvation Army offers a variety of tangible support to individuals and families in need in central and north Brevard. Below is a brief description of services available and how to get help. Please call (321) 632-6060 for assistance.

- **Emergency Financial Assistance**
- Rent/Mortgage Assistance – help with payments to prevent eviction/foreclosure.
- Utility Assistance (electricity, water, and/or natural gas) – help with payments to prevent shut-off of services.
- **By Appointment only. Call (321) 632-6060 ext. 13.** Available Tuesday-Fridays from 9am-noon, and 1pm-4pm in Cocoa.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.
- Canned goods, other non-perishables and perishable food.
- Open Tuesdays-Fridays 9am-noon in Cocoa. Please bring photo ID and SS card for number of persons in family.
- **The Manna Program**
- Restaurant/store donations of unexpected excess food items – typically breads, sweets, and sandwiches.
- Donations are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis beginning at 1pm Tuesdays-Fridays in Cocoa.
- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat

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assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.

Salvation Army – Melbourne Corps

Address	1080 Hickory St, Melbourne, FL 32901
Phone	Phone: 321-724-0494
Website	https://melbourne.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

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The Sue M. Pridmore Center

Every day families in the Melbourne are facing disaster. It’s not a hurricane that threatens their wellbeing, but a lost job, medical bills, and the high cost of living in our community. Sometimes these challenges overwhelm a family and they become homeless. Mothers with children are especially at risk as they face the challenges of juggling employment, child care,

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and living expenses. Often they lack the education, support, and mentoring they need to overcome the adversities they face. When they become homeless, these families need more than a roof over their head; they need a support system to build upon.

That is why The Salvation Army offers our transitional housing solution for women with or without children to help them break free from chronic homelessness and unemployment. The Sue M Pridmore Center for Women and Children is providing these women stability through shelter, self-sufficiency through life skills training and, most of all; personal transformation by helping them to overcome the challenges in their lives and turn their lives right side up.

Residential Services

- **Amenities Case Management**
  - An eight-apartment, 48 bed facility (includes 16 adult female beds and 32 beds for children)
    - Business/computer station
      - Case plan management
      - Classes, mentoring & workshops
      - Clothes closet
      - Dining Facility
      - Gathering Room
      - Indoor/Outdoor play areas for children
      - Laundry room
      - Library
      - 60-90 day length stay

Support Services

- **Case Management** Residents will work collaboratively with in-house case managers throughout the duration of their stay for the purpose of establishing and implementing well-defined goals leading to self-sufficiency. Case managers will serve as counselors and resource persons, to our residents.
  - **Career Development** Residents will receive one on one and group career development instruction; with an emphasis on promotion and growth. In addition, the center will partner with established community-based career developers to meet this need.
    - **Housing Retention Education** Residents will work with case managers to devise a realistic and practical plan toward short and long term housing retention.
    - **Self-Improvement** The center will make a number of self-improvement resources available in the forms of classes, workshops and mentoring. Areas of focus will include (but are not limited to):
      - Budgeting and Finance
      - Fostering Healthy Relationships
      - Self-Care

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Application & Eligibility

- **Application Process** Potential residents must complete a full pre-admission interview with center administration in order to be considered for placement. Applicants are asked to call to schedule an appointment: (321) 872-2225.
  - **Eligibility** Consideration will be given to women meeting the following criteria:
    - 18+ years old
      - With no children
      - With male children under the age of 12
      - With female children under the age of 18
      - Employable in the US
      - Actively seeking employment
      - Employed full time
      - Employed full time and enrolled in an educational program
      - Not fleeing domestic violence
      - Not in need of addictions rehabilitation
      - Not awaiting SSD, SSI, SSE, workers compensation or any other pending income source outside of gainful employment
      - Homeless (as defined by HUD) and within the scope of the Center's focus

Mission Statement

Serves to provide shelter, food, spiritual comfort and emotional support to homeless women with or without children. Serves to provide a variety of services in a caring, loving and Christian environment. Serves to provide training in a wide range of life skills in order for the women to successfully transition into our local community.

These women will be afforded every opportunity to become productive, self-sufficient individuals, who possess the essential skills to contribute to and succeed in the community. They will function as responsible employees, respected citizens, nurturing parents and conscientious neighbors who are also able to maintain their own dwelling. In turn these women will have overcome the crisis of homelessness.

Center's Namesake

The center is the only one in Brevard County and is named in honor of Sue M. Pridmore. Mrs. Pridmore was a life-long supporter of The Salvation Army and desired to help alleviate homelessness in Brevard County. To that end, she and her husband endowed funding for the building of the Sue M. Pridmore Center for Women & Children. The Salvation Army Melbourne, FL Corps will forever be grateful for their generous and unselfish contribution.

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Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

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  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That’s why The Salvation Army’s annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

Website	https://feedhopenow.org/
Email	info@feedhopenow.org, rthomas@feedhopenow.org
Counties served	Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Volusia

About Us

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida is a partner food bank of Feeding America – the largest charitable domestic hunger-relief organization in the United States. Second Harvest

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secures and distributes food and grocery products to more than 870 local nonprofit feeding programs in seven Central Florida counties: Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia. With the help of food and financial donors, volunteers and a caring, committed community, the food bank distributes 300,000 meals every day to partner programs such as food pantries, soup kitchens, women's shelters, senior centers, day care centers and Kids Cafes. In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in ‘better than minimum wage’ jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. **Where does the Food Bank get its food?** Food comes to us from farmers, grocery stores, retailers, distributors, wholesale, and other food industry sources. In addition, kind-hearted members of our community hold food drives that bring in tons of food. Click here to learn about how food gets to our facility. **How is the food distributed?** We partner up with more than 870 local emergency food assistance programs to get food to the people who need it the most. **What else does the Food Bank do besides provide food?** In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in ‘better than minimum wage’ jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. Yet another important activity helps connect people who are eligible to receive SNAP food assistance benefits with the resources they need to access the program and get help. **How does the Food Bank help in a natural disaster?** Second Harvest Food Bank plays a vital role in responding to emergencies such as floods, tornadoes and hurricanes throughout the state. As an affiliate of Feeding America, Second Harvest responds to both national and local disasters that take place. **What is the Food Bank's connection with Feeding America?** Second Harvest Food Bank is a partner food bank of Feeding America, a nationwide network of more than 200 food banks that helps feed people across the country. Click here to learn more about this network of food banks.

Food Assistance

How do I get food? If you need immediate assistance, please call us at 407-295-5009. You can also fill out our food assistance form and we will get back to you with a list of feeding programs near you. If you need assistance during the weekends, please call United Way's 2-1-1. 211 provides free and confidential information and can also help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling and more.

Food Locator: https://feedhopenow.org/find-help/food-finder/

Please call before visiting to make sure that their hours & location has not changed. Por favor asegúrese de llamar antes de visitar para asegurarse que las horas o ubicación no hayan cambiado. **How can I apply for SNAP?** You can apply online for SNAP benefits here. Second Harvest's Benefit Connection team can also help out with SNAP application assistance. Click here to view where our Benefits Connection team will be located in Orange and Brevard County.

Second Harvest Facilities

Main Facility

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 411 Mercy Drive Orlando, FL 32805 Phone: 407-295-1066 Fax: 407-295-5299 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

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Mercy Kitchen

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3702 Mercy Star Ct. Building 3 Suite 130 Orlando, FL 32808 Phone: 407-514-1002 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Volusia Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 320 North Street Daytona Beach, FL 32114 Phone: 386-257-4499 Fax: 386-257-4134 Contact: Robert Thomas, Volusia Operations Manager Phone: 386-257-4499 Email: rthomas@feedhopenow.org

Brevard Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3125 Skyway Circle Melbourne, FL 32934 Phone: 321-733-1600 Contact: Jorge Ortiz, Brevard Operations Manager Phone: 321-733-1600 Email: jortiz@feedhopenow.org

Marion Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 4045 NE 36th Ave. Ocala, FL 34478 **Mailing Address:** Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida Marion Branch PO Box 699 Ocala, FL 34478 Phone: 352-732-5500 Fax: 352-732-4197 Contact: Peter Del Toro Email: PDelToro@feedhopenow.org

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orlando (Brevard County Conferences)

Address	321-459-2060, 1940 N Courtenay Pkwy, Merritt Island, FL 32953
Phone	Helpline 407.889.4706 321-459-2060
Website	https://svdporlando.org/need-help%3F

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At a Glance

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established in Central Florida in 1986 and follows a 184-year tradition of charity work based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a Catholic Lay Organization of more than 690,000 men and women throughout the world who volunteer to provide person-to-person services to the needy and suffering. Membership in the united States totals approximately 146,000 volunteers within 4,600 U.S. communities.

At St. Vincent de Paul Orlando, our group includes 24 Conferences across nine Central Florida Counties of the Orlando Catholic Diocese. These Conferences represent some 1,932 volunteer members. We proudly exist to help people by providing compassionate and spiritual support services such as:

- Home Visits
- Person-to-person support
- Food
- Medicine
- Job training/locating employment
- Transportation to meet fundamental needs/employment
- Financial assistance for housing and utilities
- Care for the elderly, infirm, and disabled

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- Disaster relief
- Emergency financial services
- St. Peter Claver Prison Ministry
- Vincentian Re-Entry Organizing Project
- Access to our four Thrift Stores to obtain basic items of clothing, household goods, and furniture for individuals and families in need

All services are provided with faith-filled principles and care. Our services are provided in the following counties: Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Polk, Lake, Osceola, Volusia, Marion, and Sumter.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Many households are just one missed paycheck from being homeless, or one unexpected emergency from being forced to choose between food and shelter. We are here to help those in need. Below is a list of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences that may be able to help.

Our Brevard County St Vincent de Paul conferences are:

DIVINE MERCY - MERRITT ISLAND

HOLY NAME OF JESUS - INDIALANTIC

321-777-9593

3050 N Hwy A1A, Indialantic, FL 32903

OUR LADY OF GRACE - PALM BAY

321-725-6866

300 Malabar Rd, Palm Bay, FL 32907

OUR SAVIOUR - COCOA BEACH

321-799-3677

130 Cleveland Avenue, Cocoa Beach, FL 32931

ST. JOSEPH - PALM BAY

321-768-7882

2824 Palm Bay Road North East Palm Bay, FL 32905

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Broward County

Feeding South Florida

Email	contact@feedingsouthflorida.org
Counties served	Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Palm Beach

Feeding South Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties. More than 98% of all donations are put back into the community.

Through innovative direct-service programs and a network of nonprofit partner agencies, Feeding South Florida distributed nearly 176 million pounds of food (146 million meals) last year to over 1.4 million individuals.

Contact

Main Warehouse
2501 SW 32 Terrace
Pembroke Park, FL 33023
954.518.1818
contact@feedingsouthflorida.org
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Feeding Palm Beach County
4925 Park Ridge Blvd.
Boynton Beach, FL 33426
561.331.5441
contact@feedingsouthflorida.org
Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m

Food + Benefits Assistance
954.518.1857

Salvation Army – Ft. Lauderdale Area Command

Address	1445 W Broward Blvd, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312
Phone	Phone: (954) 524-6991
Website	https://fortlauderdale.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
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Salvation Army – Ft. Lauderdale Corps

Address	100 SW 9th Ave, Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312
Phone	Phone: 954-712-2460
Website	https://fortlauderdale.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By

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providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.

- **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – South Florida (Broward County Conferences)

Address	2323 N Dixie Hwy, Pompano Beach, FL 33060
Phone	954-395-6817
Website	https://svdpsouthflorida.org/contact-us/
Email	svdpmhoc@gmail.com

The following is a list of 20 services provided by the Conferences and Councils in the Archdiocesan Council of Miami:

- Service to anyone in need
- Food programs
- Emergency financial assistance
- Transportation programs for seniors
- Disaster relief and victim services
- Rent / mortgage assistance and help with low-cost housing
- Twinning with shelters for the homeless
- Thrift stores
- Employment services
- Job training
- Counseling / information
- Referral service
- Budget counseling
- Youth programs
- Social justice programs
- Advocacy
- Twinning, foreign and domestic
- Hospital ministry
- Burial of the indigent
- Embracing the lonely, forgotten, and alienated

North Broward Church Conferences

St. Andrew Catholic Church

9950 NW 29th St

Coral Springs, FL 33065

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(954) 752-3950

St. Ambrose Catholic Church

PO Box 999

Deerfield Beach, FL 33443

(954) 427-2225

Our Lady Queen Of Heaven Church

1400 South State Road 7

North Lauderdale, FL 33068

(954) 971-5400

Mary Help Of Christians Church

5980 University Dr

Parkland, FL 33067

https://mhocrc.org/svdp

(954) 323-8012

Please email svdpmhoc@gmail.com or call the Help Line 1-954-278-5614. / Ante cualquier duda, envíe un correo electrónico a svdpmhoc@gmail.com o llame al 1-954-278-5614.

Our Lady Of Mercy Catholic Church

5201 N Military Trail

Pompano Beach, FL 33064

(954) 421-3246

St. Coleman Catholic Church

1200 S Federal Hwy

Pompano Beach, FL 33062

(954) 942-3533

St. Gabriel Catholic Church

731 N Ocean Blvd

Pompano Beach, FL 33062

(954) 943-3684

Our Lady Of Czestochowa Polish Catholic Mission

2400 NE 12th St

Pompano Beach, FL 33062

(954) 946-6347

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Catholic Church

1401 Coral Ridge Dr

Coral Springs, FL 33071

(954) 753-3330

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St. Paul The Apostle Catholic Church
2700 NE 36th St
Lighthouse Point, FL 33064
(954) 943-9154

St. Vincent Catholic Church
6350 NW 18th St
Margate, FL 33063
(954) 972-0434

San Isidro Catholic Mission
2310 Martin Luther King Blvd
Pompano Beach, FL 33069
(954) 971-8780

St. Elizabeth of Hungary Catholic Church
3331 NE 10th Terr
Pompano Beach, FL 33064
(954) 941-8117

St. Henry Catholic Church
1500 S Andrews Ave
Pompano Beach, FL 33069
(954) 785-2450

St. Malachy Catholic Church
6200 John Horan Terr
Tamarac, FL 33321
(954) 726-1237

Central Broward Church Conferences

St. Bonaventure Catholic Church
1301 SW 136th Ave
Davie, FL 33325
(954) 424-9504

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church
1701 E Oakland Park Blvd
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33334
(954) 564-1010

St. Anthony Catholic Church
901 NE 2nd St
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

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(954) 463-4614

St. Clement Catholic Church

2975 N Andrews Ave

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

(954) 563-1183

St. Jerome Catholic Church

2533 SW 9th Ave

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33315

(954) 525-4133

St. Sebastian Catholic Church

2000 SE 25th Ave

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33316

(954) 524-9344

St. Bernard Catholic Church

8279 Sunset Strip

Sunrise, FL 33322

(954) 741-7800

St. David Catholic Church

3900 S University Dr

Davie, FL 33328

(954) 475-8046

Our Lady Queen Of Martyrs Church

2731 SW 11th Ct

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33312

(954) 583-8725

St. John The Baptist Catholic Church

4595 Bayview Dr

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33308

(954) 771-8950

St. Helen Catholic Church

3033 NW 33rd Ave

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33311

(954) 731-7314

St. Pius X Catholic Church

2500 NE 33rd Ave

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33305

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(954) 564-1763

All Saints Catholic Church

10900 West Oakland Park Blvd

Sunrise, FL 33351

(954) 742-3188

St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church

2700 Glades Circle, Suite 200

Weston, FL 33327

(954) 389-5003

South Broward Church Conferences

St. Matthew Catholic Church

542 Blue Heron Dr

Hallandale Beach, FL 33009

(954) 458-1590

Church of the Little Flower

1805 Pierce St

Hollywood, FL 33022

(954) 628-8828

St. Bernadette Catholic Church

7450 Stirling Rd

Hollywood, FL 33024

(954) 432-5313

St. Boniface Catholic Church

8330 Johnson St

Pembroke Pines, FL 33024

(954) 432-2750

St. Maximillian Kolbe Catholic Church

701 North Hiatus Rd

Pembroke Pines, FL 33026

(954) 432-0206

Nativity Catholic Church

5220 Johnson St

Hollywood, FL 33021

(954) 987-3300

St. Stephen Catholic Church

6044 SW 19th St

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Miramar, FL 33023

(954) 987-1100

Annunciation Catholic Church

3781 SW 39th St

West Park, FL 33023

(954) 989-0606

St. Bartholomew Catholic Church

8005 Miramar Pkwy

Miramar, FL 33025

(954) 431-3600

St. Maurice at Resurrection Catholic Church

441 NE 2nd St

Dania Beach, FL 33004

(954) 961-7777

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Calhoun County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Panama City Office

Address	3128 East 11th St., Panama City, FL 32401
Phone	Phone: 850-763-0475
Counties served	Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Washington

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

Website	https://fightinghunger.org/
Email	melissa@fightinghunger.org
Counties served	Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

Second Harvest is a nonprofit food bank that collects and distributes food to hunger-relief charities, and also through specialized programs and mobile food distributions undertaken with community partners. We are dedicated to reducing hunger and malnutrition, and we function as the warehouse for millions of pounds of food and other essential products that go out to the community. We are a member of Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic food relief organization, and one of three Feeding America food banks in Florida designated for disaster/crisis response.

Our Feeding America service area is 9,000 square miles and includes 11 counties: Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla.

Additionally, under contract with other north Florida food banks, we serve five more counties: Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwanee.

The food bank operates from a 41,000-square-foot facility located in Tallahassee, FL. The facility includes seven shipping docks, 12,000 square feet of freezer and cooler space, and a fleet of 13 vehicles including box trucks, tractors, trailers, two Sprinter vans

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
  - Second Harvest of the Big Bend is a member of the Feeding America network, which is the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization, comprising 200 food banks throughout the country.
  - Food collected by Second Harvest food bank is distributed through our network of 135 partner agencies, including other nonprofit charities and faith-based organizations. These range from soup kitchens that serve daily, to food pantries that distribute food weekly, and to residential programs for the homeless.
  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
  - Seniors are served at participating Second Harvest Partner Agencies in Gulf, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties.
  - All seniors 60 or older qualify for our Senior Grocery Program. Eligible seniors can enroll at one of the 14 participating distribution sites listed below.
    - Innovative Charities
    - Jackson County

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- Elder Care Services
- Jackson County
- Jefferson County Senior Center
- Jefferson County
- Flipper Chapel AME Church
- Leon County
- Georgia Bell Dickenson
- Leon County
- Liberty County Senior Center
- Liberty County
- Faith Baptist Church
- Madison County
- Good News Outreach
- Leon County
- Big Bend Cares-CarePoint Leon County
- Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement
- Leon County
- Fellowship Baptist Church
- Taylor County
- Pioneer Bay
- Gulf County
- Lee Community Complex
- Hamilton County
- IFAS Community Center
- Lafayette County

For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

850-562-3033 (ext. 212)

- **Child Nutrition Programs**

Backpack Program

- Our Backpack Program provides children with a bag of food each Friday to ensure their nutritional needs are met over the weekend. Each food bag includes six components: milk, protein, ready-to-eat, fruit, vegetable and grain, and fits into a child's backpack.
  - The program provides 4,500 bags of food every week to children in Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties, serving children who rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their meals.
  - For the 2020/2021 school year, we distributed 125,000 backpacks, or 750,000 meals, through our backpack program.

Kid's Cafe Program

- The Kid's Cafe Program helps feed Leon County children after school at community centers and churches during the school months of August through June. This program

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helps bridge the gap for children who receive most of their meals from school and may not have a nutritious dinner when they go home.
    - During the 2020/2021 school year, we have seven parks and recreation center distribution sites.
    - Additionally, our **“Food on the Move Afterschool” program** delivers free food for kids in Leon County at designated underserved neighborhoods throughout the school year.

Summer BreakSpot Program

- The Summer BreakSpot Program provides kids a free, nutritious meal and snack at sponsored sites during the summer months, ensuring children have a stable source of food for their nourishment and growth when school is out.
    - Our 2022 Summer Feeding Program includes eight Summer BreakSpot locations in Leon and Madison counties, providing free breakfast, lunch and/or supper to kids 18 and under.
    - Find a Summer Feeding site near you anywhere in the State of Florida: https://www.fna.usda.gov/sfsp
    - If you are interested in becoming a Summer Food Service Program site, please complete the online registration: https://forms.office.com/r/t5rPhsrrtr

Food on the Move

- The Food on the Move program helps bridge the gap during summer months for kids who rely on school for most of their meals. Second Harvest’s “Food on the Move” van is delivering free food to kids 18 and under at nine Tallahassee locations, Monday-Friday, June 6-July 29.

School Pantry Program

- The School Pantry Program provides a large bag or box of food to accommodate a family for a few days. Currently this program operates at the following Leon County schools, and FSU:
    - Rickards High School
        - Amos P. Godby High School
        - Augusta Raa Middle School
        - Pineview Elementary School
        - W.T. Moore Elementary School
        - Oak Ridge Elementary School
        - Chaires Elementary School
        - Fairview Middle School
        - Nims Middle School
        - FSU Food for Thought pantry
- **Disaster Relief**
    - Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank serves as one of Feeding America’s three emergency food distribution hubs in Florida. As such, we contribute to the statewide coordination of emergency food and water in response to disasters.
    - As part of the Big Bend COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) which includes the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Operations Center, Volunteer Leon, Big Bend 211 and others, Second Harvest provides food, water and other

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necessities both before and after a crisis or disaster. Second Harvest also works in conjunction with Feeding Florida and its other 11- member food banks to cover disaster situations throughout the entire state of Florida.
    - In our 41,000-square-foot warehouse, we are able to stage supplies for our fellow COAD members to supplement their supply chains. In conjunction with Feeding Florida, Second Harvest also stores disaster relief product for the Florida Department of Emergency Management.
- **Mobile Pantry Program**
    - Mobile pantries are Second Harvest of the Big Bend food distributions funded by grants and donations and conducted jointly with one of our Agency Partners located throughout our 11-county service area, often in a church or nonprofit's parking lot, at an announced date and time.
    - Between 100 and 900 people will typically receive food distributions, including dry goods, fresh produce and frozen meat. All active partners in good standing are eligible to host a mobile pantry.
    - Benefits of Mobile Pantry
        - Besides offering flexibility of delivery, mobile pantries offer a quick and effective way to distribute food and maintain an atmosphere of dignity. A mobile pantry also serves some very specific needs:
        - Targets underserved areas, removing barriers to access and therefore expanding capacity, building community and creating access.
        - Takes food directly to clients in a timely manner allowing a farmer's market-style distribution encouraging greater interaction between volunteers and clients, encouraging everyone to share recipes, family traditions and life experiences.
        - Provides the opportunity for religious and charitable organizations to partner with local governments, businesses, and universities to manage the distribution. A one-time distribution can develop into a long-term partnership to provide necessary services for the needy in the community.

Here's what you can expect when you visit one of our partner pantries:

- You will see signage outside the pantry directing you to the right place
- You will be asked how many people live in your household so we can give you enough food
- You may need to present your ID to show you live within the county
- You may need to fill out a form to self-report your income and how many people live in your home (this only needs to be done once a year)
- You can always expect supportive staff to help get you support when you need it.

If you would like more information about Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank and the services we provide, please use the contact information below.

Our Location: 4446 Entrepot Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32310.

Phone: 850-562-3033 Fax: 850-562-6176

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Charlotte County

Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida

Website	https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/
Email	childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org, fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org
Counties served	Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee

About Us

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is the largest hunger relief network in Southwest Florida, serving Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties.

We rescue, inspect, transport and distribute donated food and other grocery products to more than 150 partner agencies and programs that provide direct services to those in need. They include food pantries, soup kitchens, in-school pantries, mobile pantries, senior programs, homeless shelters, disaster relief agencies and more. The food bank provides food for about 28,000 individuals each week.

Feeding Children

Throughout Southwest Florida, more than 65% of all public-school aged students are eligible for free or reduced lunches.

Schools, education centers and after-school programming centers are a natural fit for food pantries – they provide an easy-to-access location that parents and students feel comfortable in and visit regularly. While some parents might not be able to visit traditional food pantries because of distribution times or location, in most cases our program distributes food at the end of the day when parents are already at the education center to pick up their children. Locating food pantries in schools and education centers means the program is able to connect children and their families with the healthy food they need during the week and weekend.

In-School Pantry Program

Our In-School Pantry Program follows an evidence-based system that alleviates child hunger through food distribution at carefully selected schools. This nationally acclaimed food distribution model, taken by Feeding America, is designed to provide an accessible source of food assistance to students and their families who are hungry. By locating pantries inside schools, students and their families have easier access to food assistance and feel more comfortable acquiring food assistance in this manner due to familiarity with the site locations.

Harry Chapin Food Bank stocks the in-school pantries with shelf-stable foods such as canned vegetables and meat, cereal, dry pasta, boxed macaroni and cheese, soup, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans. In addition, the In-school Pantry Program can be supplemented with fresh produce and frozen meat items when available.

Harry’s Helpings

Harry’s Helpings is an innovative feeding program that provides supplemental food kits for families at childcare, early childhood education, and after-school programming centers

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where traditional food pantry distribution models are not feasible due to space constraints, lack of adequate staffing or other barriers.

Harry's Helpings also offers assistance to the community at community and service centers, special one-time events, and other non-traditional feeding programs. Harry's Helpings kits are filled with enough nutritious, shelf-stable food for up to 15 meals for a family of four. They may include canned vegetables and canned meat, cereal, dry pastas, boxed macaroni and cheese, soups and stews, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans.

In addition, Harry's Helpings can be supplemented with fresh and frozen items in coordination with partner sites and when available.

For more information about these programs, call (239) 334-7007 or email childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Feeding Families

Feeding families is the core of our mission and represents most of our total food distribution throughout our five-county footprint. Our strategic approach involves navigating the fact that sixty percent of our five-county footprint is a food desert. Our strategies incorporate food safety protocols, innovative food procurement methods and an enormous amount of passion that no one should have to go hungry.

Our Fulfill Mobile Pantry Program directly serves our neighbors who are hungry where people with limited financial resources and transportation may not be able to access food through traditional grocery stores.

Through our Fulfill Mobile Pantries, a truckload of food is transported and distributed in areas of high need to supplement our other hunger-relief programs in our five-county footprint.

Two distribution methods are utilized: a farmer's market-style distribution where those who are food-insecure can choose to take what they need or a drive-thru distribution model, where families receive a pre-packaged food kit filled with shelf-stable foods that is supplemented with fresh produce and frozen protein when it is available.

Our mobile pantries distribute fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, and other food items.

For more information on the Fulfill Mobile Pantries program, call 239.334-7007 or email fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Our "Fresh Force" Mobile Grocery Experience directly serves those who are food insecure in areas of high need. The mobile market is a one-aisle grocery store, designed to provide healthy, fresh food through a **dignified "shopping" experience** for families and individuals in need.

Our mobile market consists of several different items such as fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, dairy, and other food items. Through our "Fresh Force" Mobile Grocery Experience, **Harry Chapin Food Bank transports healthy foods to our neighbors at no cost who live in designated "food deserts" and low-income areas.** We are able to eliminate transportation as a barrier to accessing food by bringing the mobile market directly to families who are hungry.

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Feeding Seniors

Senior hunger is a hidden issue in Southwest Florida.

Many seniors on fixed incomes have to make the difficult choice whether to purchase food or buy medicine. Seniors who do not get the nutrition they need are at a higher risk of developing health problems such as diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure.

Care and Share Senior Feeding Program

The Care and Share Senior Feeding Program supplements the diets of more than 2,200 seniors with low income in Charlotte, Collier and Lee counties with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food.

Eligible seniors aged 55 and over receive kits containing pre-packaged food kits that contain easy-to-prepare meals and shelf-stable fruits, vegetables, proteins, cheeses, and grains. When possible, we supplement the food kits with fresh produce and frozen meat.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federal government program that provides nutritious food to eligible seniors 60 years of age or older with low-incomes. Food boxes are distributed once a month at designated sites in Glades and Hendry counties.

For more information on eligibility and enrollment for Care & Share or CSFP, call (239) 334-7007 or email seniorprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Those in need cannot receive food directly from Harry Chapin Food Bank. To receive food, we encourage those seeking food to visit our website and click on the Food Locator to find a Agency Partner or mobile pantry in their area. You can also call us at 239-334-7007 or dial 211, the United Way 211 information hotline, to find the nearest site.

Locations

Fort Myers Distribution Center 3760 Fowler St. Fort Myers, FL 33901

Collier County Center 3940 Prospect Ave. #101 Naples, FL 34104

Contact Info

Phone: (239) 334-7007 Fax: (239) 337-1399 Email: fighthunger@harrychapinfoodbank.org

Website: https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/

For a **staff directory**, click here.

Hours of operation

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Salvation Army – Port Charlotte Corps

Address	2120 Loveland Blvd, Port Charlotte, FL 33980
Phone	Phone: 941-629-3170
Website	https://portcharlotte.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Website: https://portcharlotte.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.

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- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Port Charlotte (Charlotte County Conference)

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Phone	Phone: (941) 625-9784 Emergency After-Hours Phone: (401) 263-8325
Website	https://www.stcharlespc.org/svdp

The St Vincent de Paul conference of Saint Charles Borromeo parish serves our neighbors in need from 9am to noon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Emergency needs outside of these hours can be called in to (401) 263-8325.

If you are in need of financial assistance, please arrive by 11:00am in order to have sufficient time to complete the request process. Mary's Closet closes at 11:30am. For food only requests, arrive by 11:30, as we often have a large number of requests to fulfill.

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church Conference 21841 Felton Avenue

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Port Charlotte (Charlotte County Conference)

Address	17783 Toledo Blade Blvd, Port Charlotte, FL 33948
Phone	Phone: (941) 258-3398
Website	https://stmaxcatholic.org/

SVDP at St. Max offers a food pantry and assistance with utility bills. Hours are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Drive-through service is offered. For assistance with utility bills, you must have a copy of your final notice. **St. Maximilian Kolbe Conference**

Fax: (941) 625-6506

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Port Charlotte (Charlotte County Conference)

Address	24445 Rampart Blvd, Port Charlotte, FL 33980
Phone	Phone: (941) 235-1254
Email	svdpsanantonio@yahoo.com

St Vincent de Paul site offers financial aid for utilities -- water or electric (if funding available; once per year max), as well as a food pantry that can be accessed monthly. Hours are Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Have your Picture ID and Social Security Number ready to receive assistance.

San Antonio Conference

Fax: (941) 624-6184

Email: svdpsanantonio@yahoo.com

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Punta Gorda (Charlotte County Conference)

Address	Punta Gorda, Florida 33950 Phone: (941) 575-0767
Phone	Punta Gorda, Florida 33950 Phone: (941) 575-0767
Website	https://www.svdppg.org/
Email	SVdPsh01@gmail.com
Hours	HOURS

Providing Hope

Come to our office at 2500 Airport Road, Punta Gorda on Monday, Wednesday and Friday between the hours of 9:00am-12:00pm. A personal interview will help us determine the best way we can help you and your situation. If you have a financial need please arrive no later than 11:00am.

When we are unable to provide the needed assistance, we will connect you with one of our partner agencies in Charlotte County. If your residence is in another county, we will give you information about services in your home county.

- **Food Pantry**

Last year, we provided food for 27,072 individuals from our facility, the mobile food pantry, and holiday meals (Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas). Our Food Pantry is stocked by community compassion and generous donors, local food drives and food purchased from Harry Chapin Food Bank. In addition to the basics, we try to include surprises that will make our recipients smile. Together, we can do even more. There is no food that is left to waste within our pantry.

- **Clothing, Housewares and Furniture Assistance**

We provide these items to those in need thanks to the donations we receive from the community. In situations where appliances become inoperable or non-repairable, we replace them on a first-come, first-served basis with donated appliances.

- **Financial Assistance**

Over $324,228 was spent on rental assistance, utility payments, bus fares, parking, education and other miscellaneous client expenses in 2021. We review the financial information of those we help to determine the amount needed.

- **Education**

We offer this most successful program to employees wishing to improve their earning potential by paying for tuition, books, supplies, and licensing fees. With our assistance, individuals have pursued education to improve their lives by securing a technical job or profession, gaining additional qualifications/certifications or completing a four-year degree.

St. Vincent de Paul, Sacred Heart Conference 25200 Airport Road

Email: SVdPsh01@gmail.com

Monday, Wednesday & Friday

9AM–12PM

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Citrus County

Community Food Bank | Feed352

Address	5259 W Cardinal Street, Homosassa, FL 34446
Phone	Phone: 352-628-3663
Website	https://feed352.org
Email	info@feed352.org
Hours	Hours: Mon - Fri: 6am - 2pm
Counties served	Citrus, Hernando, Sumter

Website: https://feed352.org

Email: info@feed352.org

- **Our Organization**

Founded in 2013, the Community Food Bank (CFB) is a lifeline for individuals and families throughout Citrus, Hernando, and Sumter counties who are facing food insecurity. Our sole purpose is to ensure no one goes hungry. Hunger is hurting our entire community as thousands of young men, women, and senior citizens who have never sought food assistance in the past find they are unable to feed themselves or their families.

The CFB raises funds, collects food, and provides tangible resources to 60+ food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, senior centers, ministries, and other resource agencies to help them serve individuals and families throughout our community. Our efforts enable area agencies to provide food assistance to more than 70,000 people each month. We're on track to distribute more than five (5) million pounds of food in 2022.

- **Find Help**

Our agencies consist of food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters that provide food to those in need.

The Community Food Bank is a centralized operation providing food, support, and resources to the vast network of public service organizations listed below. Our agencies consist of food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters that provide food to those in need.

Find a Food Relief Agency near you: https://feed352.org/food-agencies/

Click the map, then select a location by clicking the icon on the top left bar of the map window and scrolling down the list or just select a point on the map. This will provide you with a name, address, and phone number to a location.

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Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

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The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We're here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

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Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

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Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

- **Onsite Food Pantry**

Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Salvation Army – Citrus County Corps

Address	712-738 S School Ave, Lecanto, FL 34461
Phone	Phone: 352-513-4960
Website	https://citruscounty.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs,

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residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.

- **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Food Pantry**
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Youth Services

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The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Homosassa (Citrus County Conference)

Address	7040 S Suncoast Blvd, Homosassa, FL 34446
Phone	Phone: (352) 564-6174
Website	http://svdphernando.org/emergencyassistance.php

St. Thomas the Apostle

Website: http://svdphernando.org/emergencyassistance.php

Emergency Assistance

Emergency assistance is available for most who are in need of help. In Hernando & Citrus counties they can initiate the process by calling the SVDP conference nearest their residence.

Emergency Assistance Procedure

- Client calls the church nearest their residence. They are asked to leave their Name, Phone Number and Type of Assistance Needed.
- The caseworker who receives the data will determine if the individual has been helped previously, when they have been helped and if they reside within the conference's boundary.
- If the client is within the boundaries and they are eligible for assistance, the caseworker will proceed to contact the client to gain further information and set up a time to make a home visit if required otherwise the caseworker will provide the assistance needed.
- If the client is not eligible for assistance a phone call is made to the client to explain why SVDP cannot help. At this time the client is given other referral numbers that may be of help.
- At the time of the home visit if required, the caseworkers (always work in pairs) will get personal & financial information from the client.

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- After getting the information the caseworkers may make a decision at that time and inform the client of their decision. If they cannot make a decision at the time of the visit the client will be will be given an estimate of the time when they will be informed of their decision.

Food Pantry

Serving all of Hernando and portions of Pasco & Citrus counties that are within our six conference boundaries

Food Pantry Hours

- Monday – Saturday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM
- Thursday Evening: 6:00PM - 7:00PM

When applying for temporary assistance you must attest that you meet the income eligibility requirements to obtain food and also bring the following documentation.

- Current picture ID or Florida drivers license
- Current proof of residency: Rent / Mortgage, utility or phone bill.
- Social Security Card for every adult and child living in the home.

Food Pantry Mission

Our St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry is dedicated to serve Christ’s needy without regard to race, color, creed, age, gender, national origin or disability.

Funded by local Catholic Church Food Collections, USDA Food when available, Private Citizens monetary and food donations as well as proceeds from our mostly volunteer operated Thrift Store, we seek to bring temporary relief and comfort to the body and spirit of our neighbors in need.

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Clay County

Catholic Charities Jacksonville

Address	40 E. Adams St., #320, Jacksonville, FL 32202
Phone	Phone: (904) 354-4846
Website	https://www.ccbjax.org/
Email	info@ccbjax.org
Counties served	Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau

Catholic Charities Jacksonville Regional Office

Email: info@ccbjax.org

ABOUT US

For more than 75 years, Catholic Charities Jacksonville has served the local community as a compassionate helper, respected leader, and a reliable partner. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency. Catholic Charities puts faith into action to serve the most vulnerable in our community, advocating for justice, human dignity and quality of life, while reflecting the compassion of God in Christ.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, immigration legal services, refugee resettlement and caring for persons with intellectual and developmental differences, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives. Counties Served: Baker, Clay, Duval and Nassau.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** The Emergency Financial Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - **Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program** Thanks to our partnership with Changing Homelessness, Catholic Charities Jacksonville are able to provide supportive services for low or very low-income Veterans and Veteran families who are homeless, at-risk of losing housing, or residing in, or transitioning to permanent housing. To be screened for this program, please call 904-638-2112 or 866-367-7783.
    - **Services that are provided include:**
      - Case Management
      - Transportation Assistance
      - Legal Services
      - Housing Counseling Services
      - Personal Financial Planning
      - Job Counseling Services
      - Moving Assistance

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        - Temporary Financial Assistance
        - Referral to Other Agency or Area Resources
    - **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. For more information and to apply for assistance, visit: https://www.ccbjax.org/emergency-financial-assistance

Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:

- Case Management
    - Referrals
        - Group Counseling
            - Caregiver Services
    - **Emergency Financial Assistance (NON HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families:

- Examples of some services available:
    - Case Management
        - Referrals
        - Assistance with utilities
        - Assistance with rent
        - Transitional housing for homeless
- **FOOD ASSISTANCE: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville serves people of all faiths and backgrounds. We encourage any of our neighbors who may be struggling to visit our drive-thru food pantry located at St. Pius V Catholic Church campus.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

St. Pius V Catholic Church Campus

1470 West 13th Street

Jacksonville, 32209

Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

Our team begins giving tickets at 8:30 a.m. for up to 70 clients. Guests can return every two weeks, and our team collects basic demographics of each household. One ticket is permitted per household, and you must be present when your number is called. If you are not present, our team will move on to the next number - so please stick around once you receive your ticket. During holidays, please check our website or call us for adjusted food distribution schedules.

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Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

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I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn’t an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

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Address:

Salvation Army – Clay County Corps

Address	2795 County Rd 220, Middleburg, FL 32068
Phone	Phone: 904-276-6677
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usa-southern-territory/florida/northeast-florida-area-command/

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (Clay County Conference)

Address	1649 Kingsley Ave, Orange Park, FL 32073
Phone	Larry O'Brien, President; Phone: (904) 264-0577 Phone: (904) 639-5839
Email	stcathsvdp@yahoo.com
Hours	Hours: 10 a.m.-3 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.)

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

"No work of Charity is foreign to the Society", so some Conferences may provide unique, or specialized, services depending on the needs of the community, or the individuals, that the Conference serves. Interaction with other charitable, service, or community organizations may also affect the amount and scope of resources that a Conference is able to provide to those in need.

The St. Augustine Diocesan Council is organized with three geographically oriented District Councils to provide administration and support to the Conferences located in the Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine.

Riverside District Council (Clay County Conference)

St. Catherine of Siena Conference

Email: stcathsvdp@yahoo.com

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food and clothing.

Areas served: Parish

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Collier County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. – Collier County Administrative Offices

Address	2210 Santa Barbara Boulevard, Naples, FL 34116
Phone	Phone: 239-455-2655
Email	esmeralda.alvarado@catholiccharitiesdov.org

Fax: 239-455-7235

Email: esmeralda.alvarado@catholiccharitiesdov.org

Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers a variety of programs in Collier County that provide families and individuals with vital assistance designed to help them find their potential for success and to become more self-sufficient.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Catholic Charities Family Counseling Center**

Mental health services are provided in English and Spanish at the Catholic Charities Family Counseling Center in Naples for adults, children, and families. Counselors help resolve issues such as relational problems, abuse, stress, conflict, depression, anger, anxiety, and self-esteem. Fees for services are determined by an affordable and flexible sliding scale based on household size and income. In addition, counseling services are provided at several Collier County public schools.

- **Golden Gate Senior Center**

In collaboration with Collier Senior Resources, Catholic Charities operates the Golden Gate Senior Center in Naples. The center serves low-income seniors who require basic needs such as food, housing, and health care. The center provides a daily nutritious hot meal, activities and classes, and a food pantry along with other assistance programs and services.

- **Guadalupe Social Services**

Guadalupe Social Services of Catholic Charities serves the rural poor community of Immokalee. Programs and services include the Casa Maria Soup Kitchen, a food pantry, direct assistance for utilities and rent and prescriptions, a clothing room and shower facilities, immigration services, English school, Empowerment Program, Pantry on Wheels Program, holiday food distribution, and a crib and stroller program.

- **Judy Sullivan Family Resource Center**

The Judy Sullivan Family Resource Center of Catholic Charities in Naples provides a choice food pantry, Family Food Outreach Program, financial assistance for utilities and prescriptions, an Empowerment Program, educational programs for adults and seniors, the Weekend Power Pack Food Program for children, holiday food and gift distribution, and the Undy Sunday project.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF VENICE, INC. SERVES ALL IN NEED REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, OR CREED.

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Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida

Website	https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/
Email	childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org, fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org
Counties served	Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee

About Us

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is the largest hunger relief network in Southwest Florida, serving Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties.

We rescue, inspect, transport and distribute donated food and other grocery products to more than 150 partner agencies and programs that provide direct services to those in need. They include food pantries, soup kitchens, in-school pantries, mobile pantries, senior programs, homeless shelters, disaster relief agencies and more. The food bank provides food for about 28,000 individuals each week.

Feeding Children

Throughout Southwest Florida, more than 65% of all public-school aged students are eligible for free or reduced lunches.

Schools, education centers and after-school programming centers are a natural fit for food pantries – they provide an easy-to-access location that parents and students feel comfortable in and visit regularly. While some parents might not be able to visit traditional food pantries because of distribution times or location, in most cases our program distributes food at the end of the day when parents are already at the education center to pick up their children. Locating food pantries in schools and education centers means the program is able to connect children and their families with the healthy food they need during the week and weekend.

In-School Pantry Program

Our In-School Pantry Program follows an evidence-based system that alleviates child hunger through food distribution at carefully selected schools. This nationally acclaimed food distribution model, taken by Feeding America, is designed to provide an accessible source of food assistance to students and their families who are hungry. By locating pantries inside schools, students and their families have easier access to food assistance and feel more comfortable acquiring food assistance in this manner due to familiarity with the site locations.

Harry Chapin Food Bank stocks the in-school pantries with shelf-stable foods such as canned vegetables and meat, cereal, dry pasta, boxed macaroni and cheese, soup, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans. In addition, the In-school Pantry Program can be supplemented with fresh produce and frozen meat items when available.

Harry’s Helpings

Harry’s Helpings is an innovative feeding program that provides supplemental food kits for families at childcare, early childhood education, and after-school programming centers where traditional food pantry distribution models are not feasible due to space constraints, lack of adequate staffing or other barriers.

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Harry’s Helpings also offers assistance to the community at community and service centers, special one-time events, and other non-traditional feeding programs. Harry’s Helpings kits are filled with enough nutritious, shelf-stable food for up to 15 meals for a family of four. They may include canned vegetables and canned meat, cereal, dry pastas, boxed macaroni and cheese, soups and stews, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans.

In addition, Harry’s Helpings can be supplemented with fresh and frozen items in coordination with partner sites and when available.

For more information about these programs, call (239) 334-7007 or email childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Feeding Families

Feeding families is the core of our mission and represents most of our total food distribution throughout our five-county footprint. Our strategic approach involves navigating the fact that sixty percent of our five-county footprint is a food desert. Our strategies incorporate food safety protocols, innovative food procurement methods and an enormous amount of passion that no one should have to go hungry.

Our Fulfill Mobile Pantry Program directly serves our neighbors who are hungry where people with limited financial resources and transportation may not be able to access food through traditional grocery stores.

Through our Fulfill Mobile Pantries, a truckload of food is transported and distributed in areas of high need to supplement our other hunger-relief programs in our five-county footprint.

Two distribution methods are utilized: a farmer’s market-style distribution where those who are food-insecure can choose to take what they need or a drive-thru distribution model, where families receive a pre-packaged food kit filled with shelf-stable foods that is supplemented with fresh produce and frozen protein when it is available.

Our mobile pantries distribute fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, and other food items.

For more information on the Fulfill Mobile Pantries program, call 239.334-7007 or email fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience directly serves those who are food insecure in areas of high need. The mobile market is a one-aisle grocery store, designed to provide healthy, fresh food through a **dignified “shopping” experience** for families and individuals in need.

Our mobile market consists of several different items such as fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, dairy, and other food items. Through our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience, **Harry Chapin Food Bank transports healthy foods to our neighbors at no cost who live in designated “food deserts” and low-income areas.** We are able to eliminate transportation as a barrier to accessing food by bringing the mobile market directly to families who are hungry.

Feeding Seniors

Senior hunger is a hidden issue in Southwest Florida.

Many seniors on fixed incomes have to make the difficult choice whether to purchase food or buy medicine. Seniors who do not get the nutrition they need are at a higher risk of developing health problems such as diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure.

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Care and Share Senior Feeding Program

The Care and Share Senior Feeding Program supplements the diets of more than 2,200 seniors with low income in Charlotte, Collier and Lee counties with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food.

Eligible seniors aged 55 and over receive kits containing pre-packaged food kits that contain easy-to-prepare meals and shelf-stable fruits, vegetables, proteins, cheeses, and grains. When possible, we supplement the food kits with fresh produce and frozen meat.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federal government program that provides nutritious food to eligible seniors 60 years of age or older with low-incomes. Food boxes are distributed once a month at designated sites in Glades and Hendry counties.

For more information on eligibility and enrollment for Care & Share or CSFP, call (239) 334-7007 or email seniorprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Those in need cannot receive food directly from Harry Chapin Food Bank. To receive food, we encourage those seeking food to visit our website and click on the Food Locator to find a Agency Partner or mobile pantry in their area. You can also call us at 239-334-7007 or dial 211, the United Way 211 information hotline, to find the nearest site.

Locations

Fort Myers Distribution Center 3760 Fowler St. Fort Myers, FL 33901

Collier County Center 3940 Prospect Ave. #101 Naples, FL 34104

Contact Info

Phone: (239) 334-7007 Fax: (239) 337-1399 Email: fighthunger@harrychapinfoodbank.org

Website: https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/

For a **staff directory**, click here.

Hours of operation

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Salvation Army – Naples Corps

Address	3180 Estey Ave, Naples, FL 34104
Phone	Phone: 239-775-9447
Website	https://naples.salvationarmyflorida.org

Website: https://naples.salvationarmyflorida.org

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services

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provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

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The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

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St. Vincent de Paul Society Naples (Collier County Conferences)

Address	4451 Mercantile Ave, Naples, FL 34104
Phone	Phone (239) 775-2907
Website	https://www.svdpnaples.org/fffa
Email	info@svdpnaples.org, bwstjohn@SVDPnaples.org

Family Assistance Center

Email info@svdpnaples.org

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Naples strives to promote dignified living for all. Our main goal is to provide those in need with the resources that help educate and empower people to achieve a self-sufficient lifestyle.

ASSISTANCE & SERVICES

SVdP Naples is part of a Catholic lay organization with nearly 200 years of experience 'mending the tears and frays' in communities around the world. For over 50 years, SVdP Naples and its thousands of volunteers have been raising and judicially distributing good will in the form of temporary financial assistance, household goods, and food to families experiencing temporary economic challenges, delivering nutritious meals to our homebound elderly and disabled neighbors, and providing a warm smile and thoughtful "life advice and direction" to our Collier County neighbors.

Working at multiple locations across the county, SVdP Naples and its dedicated volunteers provide help for working families and individuals facing life's unexpected challenges, nutritious food and a friendly visit with our homebound seniors and disabled neighbors, and critical advice and counsel for Collier residents, young and old.

Our neighbors in need work directly with Vincentian Caseworkers, who direct individuals to the appropriate services provided by SVdP Naples and connect them to community partners to ensure a continuum of care.

The St. Vincent de Paul Home Visit

The centerpiece of our help effort is the Home Visit. Always conducted by a team of trained Vincentians, the home visit gives us a more effective way to support and build stronger

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relationships with our neighbors in need. This often results in better environments that not only relieve poverty but also bring emotional assistance to all concerned.

- **Meals on Wheels**

St. Vincent de Paul's Meals on Wheels program provides a week's worth of meals to the greater Naples area. Through this program, we feed those who are homebound, disabled or low-income. Many of the seniors in our program are isolated and without weekly visitors. In addition to nutritious meals, they look forward to seeing our SVdP Naples volunteers, who provide conversation and a friendly visit. Over 79,000 meals a year are provided by more than 175 volunteers that support this ministry.

- **Choice Food Pantry**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul provides a Choice Food Pantry to address the basic needs of our community. The Pantry promotes a healthy diet of food items, special diet items, and household goods. Our neighbors can select the foods they need and want based on family size. The SVdP Choice Food Pantry is stocked and restocked throughout the year with generous donations from:

- Our community
  - Catholic church parishioners
  - Collier Harvest
  - Publix and Naples area grocery stores
  - The Choice Food Pantry serves an average of 70 people a day.

- **Family Assistance Center**

More than 15,000 men, women, and children seek help through our Family Assistance Centers. Those seeking support work closely with Vincentian caseworkers to connect them to the support they need. We offer immediate aid with basic necessities such as food and hygiene items from our Choice Pantry, clothing, and furniture through our Thrift Stores, housing assistance, water, and electric service, through financial aid, and the home visit. Additionally, we work with a variety of community partners to provide a continuum of care.

- **Life Skills**

In addition to all of the services that residents receive through the SVdP Naples Family Assistance Center, we are preparing them for a lifetime of success through systemic change programs. Our Life Skills courses provide valuable family budgeting, community information, saving and credit principles, and career counseling. These classes are taught in partnership with trained professionals through our partnerships with sponsors and community leaders.

- **Aid to the Homeless**

The Naples District Council Aid to the Homeless program is designed to address nutritional needs, basic living needs, and essentials. With community partnerships, we help homeless individuals and families to seek avenues out of homeless through section 8 housing grants, life skills assistance, financial aid, and support in achieving the individual's desired longer-term goals.

- **Holiday Assistance**

During the holiday season, we provide Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners to ensure that no one goes hungry. Additionally, we offer gifts so that parents have a gift to leave under the Christmas tree for their children.

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The Conferences of the Naples District

The eight Catholic parishes of Collier County all have a St. Vincent de Paul Conference, a parish-based volunteer group. By working closely with the parish, the conference operates independently from the parish and cooperatively to form the Council.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences are affiliated with local parishes in name and in spirit; however, they operate independently. The eight conferences of the Naples District Council include:

- **St. Agnes Catholic Church Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Agnes Catholic Church Conference

7775 Vanderbilt Beach Road

Naples, FL 34120

https://www.stagnesnaples.org/orgs-with-parish-affiliation

Phone: (239) 592-1949

Contact: John Goddard

- **St. Ann Catholic Church Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Agnes Catholic Church Conference

475 9th Avenue South

Naples, FL 34102

https://naplesstann.org/

Phone: (239) 262-4256

- **St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Elizabeth Seton Catholic Church Conference

5260 28th Ave SW

Naples, FL 34116

https://stelizabethseton.org/ministries/

Phone: (239) 455-3900

Parish Office Hours

M-F 9:00am – 4:00pm

Every Monday morning from 10am-Noon, hundreds of families receive food from the hands of our volunteers provided both by St. Matthew’s house and sometimes extras from our parish.

- **St. Finbarr Parish Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. Finbarr Parish Conference

13520 Tamiami Trail East

Naples, FL 34114

https://www.stfinbarr.org/

Phone: (239) 417-2084

Fax: (239) 417-3150

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Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday
8:00am – 3:30pm
Friday – 8:00am – noon

- **St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church Conference
625 111th Ave N.
Naples, FL 34110
https://sjecc.org/ministry/st-vincent-de-paul/
Phone: (239) 775-1667
Email: bwstjohn@SVDPnaples.org

- **San Marco Catholic Church Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul – San Marco Catholic Church Conference
851 San Marco Rd.
Marco Island, FL 34145
https://sanmarcochurch.org/
Phone: 239-394-5181
Fax: 239-394-1385
Email: info@sanmarcochurch.org

- **St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Peter the Apostle Catholic Church Conference
5130 Rattlesnake Hammock Rd.
Naples, FL 34112
https://stpeternaples.org/
Phone: (239) 774-3337

- **St. William Catholic Church Conference**

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - St. William Catholic Church Conference
750 Seagate Drive
Naples, FL 34103
https://www.saintwilliam.org/st-vincent-de-paul-society
Joe Hamberger: (239) 289-0935

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Columbia County

Catholic Charities Lake City

Address	553 NW Railroad Street, Lake City, FL 32055
Phone	Phone: 386-754-9180
Website	https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/
Email	suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org, Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org
Counties served	Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Suwannee, Union

Fax: 386-754-5325 Email: suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/catholiccharitieslc

Administrative Hours: Monday – Friday, 7:30am to 3:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 22 years, Catholic Charities Lake City has served the local communities of Columbia, Suwannee, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Union counties with charity rooted in compassion. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, disaster relief, and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** Our Emergency Assistance Program is recognized and leads the way as the go to agency for one stop shop! We assist with helping families prior to becoming homeless as well as when they become behind on a potential utility, rent or mortgage payment. In addition, our Stellar Food Pantry is open 5 days a week sunny, rainy, hot, or cold from 7:30am to 11:30am Monday – Friday. We assist all our financial clients with a friendly, experienced case manager to assist with the initial assessment and together working a personalized case plan with his family for self sufficiency – providing referrals and connecting with other agencies as we all partner together for the greater good of our clients. Our service area is vast and wide to the Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Union, and Columbia counties. Four of the five are food deserts, and all five of these counties have NO PUBLIC transportation at all. Please email Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org for more information.
- **FOOD PANTRY: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
  - **Catholic Charities Food Pantry** The Catholic Charities Lake City team has operated a food pantry located at our office for decades. We offer food staples such as:
    - Mac & cheese
    - Canned tuna or canned chicken
    - Juice boxes Peanut butter (no glass)

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        - Rice & dried beans
        - Pasta & spaghetti sauce
        - Dry cereal
        - Canned veggies
        - Canned soups
        - Any Pop-Top foods
        - Low sodium items

We also distribute non-food items such as:

- Diapers (all sizes)
    - Toilet paper
        - Toothpaste (small tubes)
        - Toothbrushes
        - Quart, Gallon size zip lock storage bags
        - 18 qt. trash bags

Please visit our Facebook page for the most up-to-date hours and any changes during the holiday season. For other questions, please contact Suzanne Edwards at Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.com.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

Catholic Charities Lake City

553 NW Railroad Street

Lake City, FL 32055

Monday-Friday 7:30am - 11:30am

Phone: 386-755-5683

- **Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach Program** Our Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach program serves five counties in Florida, none of which have public transportation. We use our refrigerated truck to bring fresh groceries to rural areas where people have no ability to get to our Food Pantry. We provide canned food, fresh produce, dairy, meats, bread, and pastries to those in need. Please look out for Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach announcements, which are posted 2 weeks prior to our events on our Facebook page.
    - **Partner Food Pantries**

If you are struggling with food insecurity, check out our food pantry hours or visit one of our 60 partner locations throughout Columbia, Hamilton, Suwanee, and Union counties.

County	Name	Physical Address	City	Phone Number
Columbia	Bethlehem United Methodist	712 SW Bethlehem Ave	Fort White	386-856-1826
Columbia	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad Street	Lake City	386-754-9180
Columbia	Christian Service Center	421 NW Washington St.	Lake City	386-755-1770
Columbia	Evangel Deliverance Miracle	256 NW Carol Place	Lake City	386-365-8424
Columbia	LuLu Baptist Church	160 SE Gillen Terrace	LuLu	904-703-9567
Columbia	Olivet Missionary Baptist Church	541 NE Davis Avenue	Lake City	386-752-1990
Columbia	Partners of HOPE	217 SW Dyal Avenue	Lake City	386-867-0628
Columbia	Trinity UMC	310 NE Martin Luther King S	Lake City	386-752-3701
Columbia	Word in Power	5888 NW US Highway 41	Lake City	386-984-8607

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Columbia	Young Marines of NCF	464 SW Amiel Ct.	Fort White	386-867-1380
Hamilton	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Hamilton	New Bethel AME Church	604 SW 6th St.	Jasper	386-855-1997
Suwannee	African Baptist Church	502 Walker Ave. SW	Live Oak	386-362-8860
Suwannee	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Suwannee	Evergreen Baptist Church	2509 224th St.	Lake City	386-628-1692
Suwannee	First Baptist Church	401 W. Howard St.	Live Oak	904-412-1811
Suwannee	Mt. Gilead Baptist Church	18305 56th St.	Live Oak	386-209-4252
Suwannee	O'Brien Baptist Church	9544 E CR 349	O'Brien	386-288-3768
Suwannee	Power For Living	22880 SR 247	Lake City	386-365-2862
Suwannee	San Juan Catholic Mission	304 Plant Avenue SE	Branford	386-935-2632
Suwannee	St. Francis Xavier Catholic	928 Howard St. East	Live Oak	386-364-1108
Suwannee	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	1391 11th St. SW	Live Oak	386-362-1837
Suwannee	Wellborn Church of God	3330 E. US Highway 90	Wellborn	386-963-4988
Suwannee	Wellborn United Methodist	12005 CR. 137	Wellborn	386-963-2324
Union	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Union	Old Providence Baptist Church	9316 NW CR 245	Lake Butler	386-755-1648

- **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING LOCAL FAMILIES WITH DONATED GIFTS TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON** The Catholic Charities Lake City team begins planning holiday assistance events for both Thanksgiving & Christmas in late fall. We are blessed that many businesses – as well as all Columbia County public schools and some private schools – participate in canned food drives to support this initiative beginning in early October in conjunction with fall festivals & homecomings. These canned goods are collected, sorted and packaged for families struggling to make ends meet. Our team also places gift cards in each bag for a choice of meat. In 2021, we distributed 550 Thanksgiving baskets and vouchers. In December, our elves work to garner support of our Christmas Angel tree program for families facing hardship. This initiative is also completely privately funded. Applications for these programs will be available on our website (https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/holiday-assistance) and on our Facebook page in October.

Salvation Army – Lake City Columbia County Service Center

Address	1052 SW Main Blvd, Lake City, FL 32025
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/lake-city/sw-main-blvd/

Request Assistance: https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/lake-city/sw-main-blvd/

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Emergency Services Offered at This Location:

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

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DeSoto County

All Faiths Food Bank

Address	8171 Blaikie Ct. Sarasota, FL 34240
Website	https://allfaithsfoodbank.org/foodfinder/
Email	info@allfaithsfoodbank.org
Hours	Office hours
Counties served	DeSoto, Sarasota

All Faiths Food Bank is the only food bank and largest hunger relief organization in Sarasota and DeSoto counties. The Food Bank was founded in 1989 by a group of individuals who, through their respective organizations, were feeding the hungry. They combined efforts to incorporate as All Faiths Food Bank, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

- **Backpacks**
- Backpacks provide students with nutritious food for the weekends at 76 schools and organizations.
- **School & Family Pantries**
- School and Family pantries provide fresh produce, meats and groceries to families at 8 schools.
- **Summer Hunger Programs**
- The Campaign Against Summer Hunger has become our community’s strongest line of defense against child hunger providing over 34,000 children with 3.2 million meals.
- **Mobile Farm Markets**
- Mobile Farm Markets distribute fresh produce at 9 locations throughout our community.
- **Mobile Pantries**
- Mobile Pantries distribute fresh produce, meats and groceries to our community at 24 locations.
- **DeSoto Food and Resource Center**
- At the DeSoto Food and Resource Center, clients can meet with staff to assess their needs, receive or be referred to services, and receive emergency food.
- **Nutrition Education**
- Nutrition Education teaches individuals and families how to shop for and prepare healthy, low-cost meals.
- **Pediatric Screening**
- In partnership with healthcare providers, our Pediatric Screening program identifies food insecurity at an early age.

Contact

All Faiths Food Bank

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 am-5:00 pm

Friday: 8:00 am-2:00 pm

Location Information: **All Faiths Food Bank does not provide food distribution from its main office at 8171 Blaikie Ct., Sarasota. Please refer to our distribution schedules at https://

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allfaithsfoodbank.org/foodfinder/ to find food near you. Free emergency food is also available at the DeSoto Food and Resource Center, located at 1021 E Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266.**

Warehouse delivery hours

Monday- Thursday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Friday: 8:00 am to noon

Phone: 941-379-6333

Email: info@allfaithsfoodbank.org

Website: https://allfaithsfoodbank.org/

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. – DeSoto County Administrative Offices

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Counties served	DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands

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Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers a variety of programs in DeSoto, Hardee, and Highlands counties that provide families and individuals with vital assistance designed to help them find their potential for success and to become more self-sufficient.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Prevention and Support Services**

DeSoto County residents have historically found it difficult to enjoy decent employment. Catholic Charities helps those facing hardships with assistance with payments for rent, mortgage, and utilities, along with other basic needs for food, transportation, and prescription medications. Education is a primary focus of the Prevention and Support Services and families are provided with resources for other unmet needs such as budgeting, employment opportunities, and guidance with applying for other appropriate services.

- **Immigration and Family Reunification Services**

DeSoto County is home to a large number of migrant families who wish to achieve citizenship or reunite with other family members. For those who are legal permanent residents, renewal of residence and employment documents is critical to their ability to remain productive members of the community. Catholic Charities provides low-cost assistance to individuals and families to help them realize their dreams.

- **Farm Worker Housing**

Casa San Juan Bosco Farm Worker Housing is a Catholic Charities development located in Arcadia that provides quality and affordable homes to area farmworkers and their families.

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The family-friendly neighborhood features 97 homes, playgrounds, soccer fields, a community garden, and two community centers with a computer lab/library.

- **Education and Enrichment Services**

Education and enrichment activities are offered to both children and adults at the Casa San Juan Bosco Community Center. Catholic Charities' efforts are supported by a group of volunteers who assist children with homework and provide leadership for adult activities such as ESOL classes and Zumba classes. Catholic Charities is proud to partner with a variety of community agencies in bringing educational experiences to the residents of Casa San Juan Bosco.

- **Senior Housing**

St. John Paul II Villas is a Catholic Charities housing development located in Arcadia that provides quality and affordable living for low-income seniors. The neighborhood features 64 units which include 32 one-bedroom and one-bath units and 32 two-bedroom and two-bath units along with a community center equipped with computers and designated areas for socializing and wellness activities.

- **Wellness and Enrichment Services**

Wellness and enrichment activities are offered to seniors at the St. John Paul II Villas Community Center. Catholic Charities' efforts are supported by a variety of community agencies and partners to bring educational experiences to the residents of St. John Paul II Villas.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF VENICE, INC. SERVES ALL IN NEED REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, OR CREED.

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Dixie County

Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

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Counties served	Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

Fax: 386-754-5325

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CatholicCharitiesGainesville Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 4:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 46 years, Catholic Charities Gainesville has served the local communities of Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy counties with charitable services. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, poverty reduction and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **BRIDGES TO PROSPERITY: ADDRESSING POVERTY FROM A PERSONAL AND SOCIETAL PERSPECTIVE**
  - The Bridges to Prosperity program is a three-part program that views poverty from a personal and societal perspective. The pillars of the program consist of teaching financial fitness, sharing insight on getting ahead and staying on track, and matching graduates with community allies to work toward their goals.
  - We work with each client individually to create a spending plan and build smart financial habits to help achieve their goals and overcome their obstacles, all while offering education on the cycle of poverty and its impact on communities.
    - **Part 1: Financial Fitness** This four-week course is designed to help people find extra dollars every month to save, create a spending plan, and avoid falling into money and credit traps.
- **Part 2: Getting Ahead in a "Just Getting By" World** This 15-week course digs deeper into the causes of poverty and its impacts on the community and the individual. We work with the client to establish objectives and goals to help them become self-sufficient.
- **Part 3: Community Allies**

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This portion of the program involves matching the graduates up with community Allies to work together toward the goals set out in part 2.

For more information, contact Rev. James Dixon at 352-372-0294, ext. 434 or jdixon@ccgnv.org

- **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
  - Our Emergency Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Gainesville and surrounding counties. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - Our food pantry currently provides about 850 pounds of food per week, serving more than 1,000 people per month. Families struggling to make ends meet can visit our pantry once per month. We provide food packages nutritionally balanced to meet the needs of each family or individual, including specialized foods for those who have diabetes as well as bags for homeless clients that take into consideration a person's ability to cook.
  - Our agency also offers limited financial assistance to help with rent, mortgages, utilities, and prescriptions. In 2020, we provided more than 809 individuals in need with financial assistance through support from community partners like United Way of North Central Florida.

For more information contact Sabrina Miller smiller@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 438

- **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESOL): HELPING THOSE LEARNING TO SPEAK ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**
- Through our English as a Second Language (ESOL) program, we provide learning resources to those who are not native English speakers.
- Our English Language Literacy Program is designed to help anyone who is looking to learn or improve their skills in English comprehension and usage. Our small and personal classroom environment is designed to meet multi-level needs and understanding of the English language. Our twice weekly classes are taught by Certified ESL instructors with over twelve years of experience.

For more information contact Pat Rayos prayos@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 421

- **HOPWA AND ELIGIBILITY: CONNECTING THOSE IN NEED WITH HOUSING ASSISTANCE**
- Catholic Charities Gainesville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:
- Case Management
- Referrals
- Group Counseling
- Caregiver Services

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For more information or see if you qualify, please contact Susan Frizzell sfrizzell@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, ext. 427

- **RURAL MOBILE OUTREACH: DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO THOSE LIVING IN RURAL AREAS IN OUR FIVE-COUNTY SERVICE AREA**
- Our Rural Mobile Outreach program provides basic necessities to those in rural areas who are struggling. Most often, these are children and the elderly. Without reliable transportation to visit us for assistance, these individuals and families would have no way to get the help they need. Instead, we bring support directly to them, providing food, toiletries, school supplies and more to keep them on their feet.
- The Mobile Outreach Clinic has partnered with Catholic Charities of Gainesville to further extend it's mission and outreach to other communities including Micanopy and Hawthorne through the Rural Mobile Outreach Program. They will be serving these areas on a rotating basis every Tuesday of the month. Please contact them at (352)273-5329 for more information or to schedule an appointment! See https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/news for schedule details.

For more information, contact John Harris at Jharris@ccgnv.org or 352-372-0294, ext. 435

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack program is a relief program that provides meals to children who don’t have reliable access to food during the weekends and rely on their weekday lunches from school. Our program strives to provide more than 700 children each week with the food they need to stay healthy, happy and successful in the classroom. On average, it costs about $6 to feed a child over the weekend.
- We welcome the community’s support for this program and accept donations of nutritious and kid-friendly food during the school year. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Canned meat: tuna, chicken, vienna sausage
- Canned goods: fruit, ravioli, vegetables, beans, soup, chili w/ beans
- Juice boxes
- Macaroni & cheese
- Pudding & Jell-O packs
- Snack crackers
- Raisins
- Applesauce
- Fruit Chews
- The foods above were recommended by local nutritionists and food pantries as “kid-friendly” nutritious food items that are easy for a child to carry (no glass please). The “Wish list” is provided to help guide your search for food. However, these are ONLY suggestions. We WILL accept other food not included on this list.

For more information contact Courtland Conner at cconner@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 436

- **ADOPTIONS & PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

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- Catholic Charities Gainesville provides services designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, provide care for women and their children, and to assist in the building of families through adoption.
- The program provides multiple services including:
- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child
- Post-legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to the birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are needed
- Adoption education to the community

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (Dixie County Conference)

Address	18278 SE Hwy 19, Cross City, FL 32628
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Email	dmot5@aol.com

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

"No work of Charity is foreign to the Society", so some Conferences may provide unique, or specialized, services depending on the needs of the community, or the individuals, that the Conference serves. Interaction with other charitable, service, or community organizations may also affect the amount and scope of resources that a Conference is able to provide to those in need.

The St. Augustine Diocesan Council is organized with three geographically oriented District Councils to provide administration and support to the Conferences located in the Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine.

Gainesville District Council (Dixie County Conference)

Holy Cross Conference

Email: dmot5@aol.com

Services: Limited financial assistance and provides limited food, clothing and household items.

Areas served: Parish/Dixie County

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Duval County

Catholic Charities Jacksonville

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Counties served	Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau

Catholic Charities Jacksonville Regional Office

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ABOUT US

For more than 75 years, Catholic Charities Jacksonville has served the local community as a compassionate helper, respected leader, and a reliable partner. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency. Catholic Charities puts faith into action to serve the most vulnerable in our community, advocating for justice, human dignity and quality of life, while reflecting the compassion of God in Christ.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, immigration legal services, refugee resettlement and caring for persons with intellectual and developmental differences, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives. Counties Served: Baker, Clay, Duval and Nassau.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** The Emergency Financial Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - **Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program** Thanks to our partnership with Changing Homelessness, Catholic Charities Jacksonville are able to provide supportive services for low or very low-income Veterans and Veteran families who are homeless, at-risk of losing housing, or residing in, or transitioning to permanent housing. To be screened for this program, please call 904-638-2112 or 866-367-7783.
    - **Services that are provided include:**
      - Case Management
      - Transportation Assistance
      - Legal Services
      - Housing Counseling Services
      - Personal Financial Planning
      - Job Counseling Services
      - Moving Assistance

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        - Temporary Financial Assistance
        - Referral to Other Agency or Area Resources
    - **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. For more information and to apply for assistance, visit: https://www.ccbjax.org/emergency-financial-assistance

Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:

- Case Management
    - Referrals
        - Group Counseling
            - Caregiver Services
    - **Emergency Financial Assistance (NON HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families:

- Examples of some services available:
    - Case Management
        - Referrals
        - Assistance with utilities
        - Assistance with rent
        - Transitional housing for homeless
- **FOOD ASSISTANCE: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville serves people of all faiths and backgrounds. We encourage any of our neighbors who may be struggling to visit our drive-thru food pantry located at St. Pius V Catholic Church campus.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

St. Pius V Catholic Church Campus

1470 West 13th Street

Jacksonville, 32209

Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

Our team begins giving tickets at 8:30 a.m. for up to 70 clients. Guests can return every two weeks, and our team collects basic demographics of each household. One ticket is permitted per household, and you must be present when your number is called. If you are not present, our team will move on to the next number - so please stick around once you receive your ticket. During holidays, please check our website or call us for adjusted food distribution schedules.

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City Rescue Mission - New Life Inn – Duval County, FL

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Lives are transformed at City Rescue Mission.

Since 1946, City Rescue Mission has been a foundation of support for men and women in Northeast Florida struggling to leave behind homelessness, hunger and substance abuse.

After starting with a vision to simply provide “soup, soap and salvation” – support from our community has seen us grow into a safe haven that offers food, clothing, shelter care, transitional housing and residential recovery programs. Generous individuals, churches, businesses, civic organizations and foundations give financially to make this life-transforming work possible.

Each person who arrives at our doors has their own past. They’ve had their own unique journeys to get here – and their own challenges to overcome. That’s why City Rescue Mission offers a variety of programs to help people on their path to healing, recovery and life transformation.

- There is a safe place for you to sleep, recover and get back on your feet.
- There’s a hot, nutritious meal waiting for you at our table.
- If you’re willing to stay with us a little longer, there are longer-term solutions too, like tutoring, workforce development and addiction recovery.

Shelter Care Services

For Men/Women/Women with Children: City Rescue Mission/New Life Inn is a homeless shelter that offers food, clothing and temporary shelter for a period of 30 days up to 18 months. The Emergency Services provided to the community are meals for the hungry, clothing closet for the homeless and overnight shelter. In addition to providing a meal and safe, warm bed, CRM provides guests with other needed items, such as socks, hygiene products, coats, blankets. Dinner for all guests not using overnight services 5:00 pm – 5:45 pm. Many homeless suffer from some form of addiction. For this reason, City Rescue Mission has a strong focus on its recovery programs.

Community Closet

Got a job interview? Do you have basic clothing needs? The Community Closet offers essential clothing for the whole family – from winter coats for children, to professional attire for working adults. The Community Closet is open from 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Meals

Anyone in need is welcome to join us for a meal at our New Life Inn, 234 W. State Street facility. Dinner for all guests not staying overnight is from 4:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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Overnight Shelter

Need a place to sleep tonight? Check in for overnight services begins at 2:30 p.m. Dinner for overnight guests is served at 3:30 p.m. for women and 4:30 p.m. for men. Breakfast is also provided. If you need immediate medical attention or law enforcement services, please call 911.

The New Life Inn on State Street serves as overnight shelter for men, while women, and mothers with children are housed at the **Henriksen Women's Center at City Rescue Mission's McDuff Avenue location.**

- If you are a man needing shelter services, check in at the **New Life Inn** located at 234 W. State Street.
- If you are a single woman or a woman with children, check in at the **New Life Inn** located at 234 W. State Street. You will then be transported to the **Henriksen Women's Center** at 426 McDuff Ave. S.

When the street has become the only place to call home, men, women and mothers with children can come to the City Rescue Mission's emergency shelter on a nightly basis. CRM provides our guests with a safe environment. Guests have the opportunity to shower, enjoy a meal and leave with clean clothing in the morning. Men and women using overnight services are encouraged to attend nightly chapel service.

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City Rescue Mission – Crossroads Program – Duval County, FL

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Crossroads Program

Safe, Structured Recovery for the Good of All

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The Crossroads Program at City Rescue Mission is dedicated to providing the highest quality, residential, community-based prison diversion services.

We address holistic issues from an individualized, mental health perspective in a structured environment that is safe for residents and community alike. **The goal is for program participants to successfully return to society as productive citizens who lead a substance-free lifestyle.**

Values:

- Holistic
  - High quality
  - Structure
  - Safe environment
  - Educational
  - Supportive
  - Culturally competent
  - Individualized
  - Change in thinking

The Crossroads approach addresses all areas of life: social, emotional, physical and spiritual. We are committed to helping our residents reach the personal growth and wholeness they desire. Confidentiality is maintained in each situation.

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City Rescue Mission – Overcomers Program – Duval County, FL

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Sheltering and Serving Our Most Vulnerable Neighbors

The Overcomers Program at City Rescue Mission provides comprehensive 24-hour shelter care and services for those experiencing homelessness for an extended period of time.

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This care includes safe shelter, meals, laundry service and case management. Our objective is to serve those most in need through our shelter services so they may become re-housed as soon as they are ready to be successful and sustainable.

While we recognize that everyone has free will and self-determination, we want to empower those who come to us to transition into a successful, sustainable, victorious life. We do not want to enable negative, unproductive and non-sustainable lifestyles.

Homelessness is not merely the lack of a dwelling. A home isn't just a physical building; it provides a sense of security, identity and belonging. Statistics show that when someone becomes situationally homeless, providing intensive assistance in helping them become re-housed as quickly as possible dramatically increases the chances that they will remain housed and not need assistance again.

We see several populations of individuals experiencing homelessness who will utilize these services:

- **Situational/short-term:** Oftentimes current unfortunate circumstances lead people to homelessness. When they are assisted in getting back on their feet quickly, research shows that they will not experience homelessness again.
- **Individuals with a substance use disorder:** These individuals will be referred to CRM's LifeBuilders Program for long-term residential care.
- **Veterans**
- **Disabled/elderly**
- **Mentally ill:** Some with a mental health diagnosis are not on their medication. They need medication stabilization and medicine management, along with a housing plan that includes supportive services.
- **Working poor:** Overcomers provides shelter and services to enable individuals to save money. It also refers to rapid re-housing resources once they are ready to move.
- **Wants a job, but needs documents to get IDs:** Casework assistance will be provided to help with this process.
- **Men, women, and women with children**

Services provided:

- Safe shelter care
  - Daily nutritious meals
  - Laundry
  - Showers
  - Toiletry items
  - Individualized case management and service connectivity
  - Employment placement opportunities
  - Housing referral
  - Community activities
  - Social activities
  - Outdoor recreation area
  - Spiritual activities
  - Visitors may visit outside during visiting hours

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Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn’t an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer

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SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

Address:

Salvation Army – Jacksonville Citadel Corps

Address	15 E Church St, Jacksonville, FL 32202
Phone	Phone: 904-366-9222
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usa-southern-territory/florida/northeast-florida-area-command/

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (Duval County Conferences)

Address	742 Arlington Rd, Jacksonville, FL 32211
Phone	Phone: (904) 674-6378 Phone: (904) 312-3242 Phone: (904) 996-8380
Email	christopher.bodin@gmail.com, svdp.ebj.saj@comcast.net
Hours	Hours: 24 hours through voicemail

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

“No work of Charity is foreign to the Society”, so some Conferences may provide unique, or specialized, services depending on the needs of the community, or the individuals, that the Conference serves. Interaction with other charitable, service, or community organizations may also affect the amount and scope of resources that a Conference is able to provide to those in need.

The St. Augustine Diocesan Council is organized with three geographically oriented District Councils to provide administration and support to the Conferences located in the Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine.

Oceanside District Council (Duval County Conferences)

Christ the King Conference

Chris Bodin, President

Email: christopher.bodin@gmail.com

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food and bus passes.

Areas served: Parish boundaries.

Holy Spirit Conference

11665 Ft. Caroline Rd

Jacksonville, FL 32225

St. Denis Conference (Blessed Trinity)

Eustace B. “Johnny” Johnson, Jr., President

10472 Beach Blvd

Jacksonville, FL 32246

Email: svdp.ebj.saj@comcast.net

Hours: 9 a.m.-11 a.m. (Food Pantry)

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Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food and clothing.

Areas served: Parish boundaries.

St. Mary Magdalene (Resurrection) Conference

Denise Bunnewith, President; Phone: (904) 744-0833, ext. 23; Email: bunnewith@northfloridatpo.com

3383 University Blvd N

Jacksonville, FL 32277

Phone: (904) 744-8600

Hours: 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. (Mon.-Fri.)

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food.

Areas served: Parish and Arlington area for zip codes: 32277

St. Paul Conference (Beaches)

Corky Heft, President

224 North 5th St.

Jacksonville Beach, FL 32250

Phone: (904) 246-5240

Fax: (904) 246-5235

Email: svdpbeaches@bellsouth.net

Hours: 9 a.m.-1 p.m.

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food, household items and will pick-up and deliver furniture. Also provides gas vouchers and bus tokens.

Areas served: Beaches

Riverside District Council (Duval County Conferences)

Holy Family Conference

Jim Grady, President

9800 Baymeadows Rd

Jacksonville, FL 32256

Phone: (904) 641-5838

jbgjax54@yahoo.com

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food.

Areas served: Parish

Holy Spirit Conference

Phone: (904) 312-3242

11665 Ft. Caroline Rd

Jacksonville, FL 32225

Sacred Heart Conference

Debbie Kirkland, President; Email: debijojax@comcast.net

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5752 Blanding Blvd

Jacksonville, FL 32244

Phone: (904) 771-2949

Hours: 9 a.m.-Noon (Mon., Tues. & Thurs.), Sat. Food Pantry

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food and clothing.

Areas served: Parish

St. Matthew Conference

Mark Stone, President; Email: ccronrugs@aol.com

1773 Blanding Blvd

Jacksonville, FL 32210

Phone: (904) 388-7008

Fax: (904) 388-8533

Hours: 24 hours through voicemail

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food and limited clothing, household items and furniture.

Areas served: Parish

St. Paul of Riverside Conference

Elizabeth Till, President; Email: tillq@bellsouth.net

2626 Park Street

Jacksonville, FL 32205

Phone: (904) 553-7644

Hours: (Tues., Wed., Sat.)

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food, clothing, household items and limited furniture. Will pick-up and deliver furniture. Also provides bus tokens, job assistance, assistance with prescriptions, limited temporary lodging, and limited day care assistance.

Areas Served: Parish

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Assumption Catholic Church Conference

Rob Roque, President

2403 Atlantic Blvd.

Jacksonville, FL 32207

Phone: (904) 398-1917

Email: roqwoods@hotmail.com

Hours: 10 a.m. – noon (Mon.-Thurs.)

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities, clothing, furniture & household items.

Areas served: Rent & Utilities for parish; furniture is citywide.

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Escambia County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Pensacola Office

Address	1815 North 6th Ave., Pensacola, FL 32503
Phone	Phone: 850-435-3516
Counties served	Escambia, Santa Rosa

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Feeding the Gulf Coast

Website	https://www.feedingthegulfcoast.org/
Counties served	Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington

Feeding the Gulf Coast assists families and individuals along the central Gulf Coast in many ways. More than 400 community partners are ready to provide groceries and meals to those struggling to afford food. In Florida, Feeding the Gulf Coast serves Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, and Bay Counties.

Child Nutrition Programs

- **The Backpack Program**

The Backpack Program, which began in 2004, meets the needs of chronically hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and breaks when school meals are unavailable. The Backpack Program is located at schools with a high incidence of children in need. Each backpack provides children with six meals and two snacks.

- **The School Pantry Program**

Similar to the Backpack Program, the School Pantry Program provides students with nutritious, nonperishable, and easily consumed food and other necessities. The program allows children dignity, privacy, and comfort in selecting food and other items that the student and their family need. Teachers, counselors, and school nurses identify students based on their level of need and as they demonstrate signs of hunger in the classroom. Students can visit the school pantry weekly to select nutritious, easy-to-prepare food and toiletries for personal use.

- **The Afterschool Meals Program**

The Afterschool Meals Program provides free meals and snacks to children through a variety of community locations—such as Boys and Girls Clubs, churches or public schools. This program is funded through the federal Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP). The children who attend these programs receive free meals that meet federal guidelines for nutrition.

- **The Summer Meals Program**

Similar to the Afterschool Meals Program, Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Summer Meals Program to ensure children in our region have access to free, nutritious meals during the summer when school is out for the summer along the central Gulf Coast. Sites in this program serve two meals daily (breakfast, lunch, or snacks) to children in their community. This program is funded through the federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Food Rescue Programs

- **Store Donation Program**

The Store Donation Program provides the food bank and its agencies with various fresh products, including produce, dairy, meat, and bread, by connecting the food bank with local retail grocery stores. Through the program, stores donate their wholesome but unsaleable food to the food bank. In some areas, Feeding the Gulf Coast trains and certifies select agencies to pick up food directly from these stores and distribute the donations to their clients through their feeding programs. Not only does this get food into the hands of those in

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need faster, but it also enables the food bank to use resources like trucks, employees, and monetary donations in other places. Feeding the Gulf Coast and select agencies pick up from approximately 250 stores each week, collecting nearly 1.25 million pounds of food every month.

Food Distribution Programs

- **Senior Boxes**

Nearly 5 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. After a lifetime of hard work, 63% of the households with older adults (50+) find themselves facing an impossible choice — to buy groceries or medical care. And as the baby-boom generation ages, the number of seniors facing hunger is only expected to increase.

Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP, Senior Boxes) in select Alabama and Florida counties. This program provides food to seniors in need by giving USDA-donated foods to eligible participants through a monthly food package. Seniors must be 60 years of age or older and have a household income at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Senior Boxes Improve Health

CSFP helps to combat the poor health conditions often found in food-insecure seniors. According to research*, food-insecure seniors (60+) are significantly more likely to intake lower amounts of essential vitamins, to be in poor or fair health, and to have physical limitations. Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk for:

- Increased disability
- Decreased resistance to infections
- Deteriorating mental health
- Lengthening of hospital stays
- Diabetes
- **Mobile Pantry Program**

The Mobile Pantry Program directly serves clients in areas of high need to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area. Through a mobile pantry, a truckload of food is distributed to clients in a single-day allowing us to provide a family with enough food for a week for just $10. Each mobile pantry distributes a variety of product include protein, canned or fresh produce, dairy, and grains.

Produce Drop

A produce drop distributes thousands of pounds of fresh produce to communities in need. Food deserts are areas with little access to fresh produce, or the price of fruits and vegetables is too much for families in need to afford. This single-day distribution helps eliminate the need for food to be stored at a local pantry and gets the product into the client's hands quicker.

Community Health & Nutrition

- **Nourishing Our Communities**

For people facing food insecurity, the challenge of adequate diet and nutrition, doctor visits, and medication is often unmanageable, creating a cycle of tough choices that results in otherwise manageable diseases becoming a health crisis. Feeding the Gulf Coast recognizes the parallel union proper nutrition has in combating the impacts of food insecurity on health.

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We believe no one should be without the food they need for a better life. As part of our work to address this, Feeding the Gulf Coast has established a Community Health and Nutrition department to ensure every community has access to a balanced, nutritious diet.

- **Healthcare Partnerships:** By working with healthcare providers to address food insecurity as a social determinant of health, these partnerships will expand and grow our current “Food as Medicine” initiatives seeking to improve health outcomes by increasing access to nutritious food and education.
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- **Mobile Market (Millie):**By bringing nutritious food directly to areas with limited grocery options, Millie the Mobile Market helps ensure more individuals and families can access the healthy food they need to thrive. **Find Millie here.**

Disaster Response

- **When Disaster Strikes**

The food bank swiftly shifts into disaster relief mode when a storm impacts our community while maintaining food assistance and support across the unaffected parts of our service area. Following the storm, we work with our food pantries and meal programs to begin response and recovery efforts. We continue providing relief long after other recovery efforts have ended. We coordinate efforts with local government officials, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and the American Red Cross to ensure unduplicated, efficient and timely relief.

PANHANDLE BRANCH

5709 Industrial Blvd

Milton, FL 32583

(850) 626-1332

Salvation Army – Pensacola Corps

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul District Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee

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Pensacola, FL 32522

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ABOUT US

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul got its start in Pensacola in 1933. Today the Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee has 6 conferences in Pensacola, 3 conferences in the Niceville and Panama City areas and 2 conferences in Tallahassee. In the spring of 2012, a new youth conference was formed at Pensacola Catholic High School.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to the poor. This aid may take the form of intervention, advocacy, consultation or direct financial aid. A unique feature of the Society of SVDP is its commitment to “home visit” those who ask for our help. By visiting the poor in their homes, we offer a listening ear and friendship. This allows us to ascertain other family needs that a family may not have expressly sought.

WHAT WE DO

Basic Services We Provide in the Pensacola Community:

- Person to person assistance with rent, utilities, prescriptions, dentures and other emergency needs
- Thrift Stores offering clothing and household goods at a low cost alternative to retail shopping
- Food Pantries providing ongoing and emergency food assistance
- SVdP Alfred-Washburn Center a shower and laundry facility for the homeless

FURNITURE/APPLIANCES PICKUP, FOOD PANTRIES, & SVDP ALFRED-WASHBURN CENTER

Donated Furniture and Appliances Available

Pick-up of donated furniture and appliances available. Call the Warehouse to schedule your free pick up: (850) 434-6615.

Warehouse (Pick-Up) Location:

2200 W. DeSoto Street

Pensacola, FL 32505

(850) 434-6615

Monday to Thursday, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Friday, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantries

Food Pantry #1

2200 W. DeSoto Street

Pensacola, FL 32505

Tuesdays, 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Wednesdays, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

No appointment necessary at this location. Must provide picture ID, SS card, and proof of residence.

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Food Pantry #2

5200 Saufley Field Road

Pensacola, FL 32526

(850) 457-3833

Tuesdays and Thursdays, 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

By appointment only. Call (850) 457-3833.

Alfred-Washburn Center (Homeless Services)

Alfred-Washburn Center

31 Murphy Ln

Pensacola, FL 32505

https://www.alfredwashburn.org/

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Email: alfredwashburn@gmail.com

Facebook: http://www.facebook.com/pages/Alfred-Washburn-Center/134655299940778

Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays: 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

The Alfred-Washburn Center is a ministry of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul serving the homeless and poorer members of our community. The Center is funded by the St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Stores and Conferences, as well as private and corporate donations. We are a 100% volunteer organization. The only qualification for volunteers is a desire to serve the least of our brothers and sisters.

The Center provides food, showers, laundry facilities, clothing and Identification Cards for the homeless. We have individual shower rooms and washing machines and dryers for laundry. All homeless and poorer members of our community are welcomed and services are provided free of charge for any who come to the Center. Our goal is to give back the basic human dignity that God has given all of us. All are welcome!

Society of St. Vincent de Paul District Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Address	10650 Gulf Beach Highway, Pensacola, FL 32507
Phone	Phone: (850) 492-0837
Website	https://holyspiritperdido.com/

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Escambia County, FL - Catholic Church of the Holy Spirit Conference

Website: https://holyspiritperdido.com/

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul District Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Address	1212 East Moreno Street, Pensacola, FL 32503
Phone	Phone: (850) 439-3057
Website	https://shc.ptdiocese.org/

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Escambia County, FL - The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart Conference

Website: https://shc.ptdiocese.org/

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Flagler County

Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – St. Augustine Regional Office

Address	525 SR 16, Unit 111-112, St. Augustine, FL 32084
Phone	Phone: 904-829-6300
Website	https://www.ccbstaug.org/
Email	Info@ccbstaug.org, wbennett@ccbstaug.org
Counties served	Flagler, St. Johns

Email: Info@ccbstaug.org Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 3:00pm

ABOUT US

Since 1975, Catholic Charities St. Augustine has worked to transform lives by serving our community's most vulnerable across the St. Johns, Putnam, and Flagler county communities. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance for rural families and students, homelessness prevention, and pregnancy and adoption support, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

Over the years, Catholic Charities St. Augustine has grown into a multi-faceted agency that served more than 10,000 people in our surrounding communities in 2020. Our services are offered to all people regardless of religious affiliation, gender, race or ethnic origin.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine's emergency financial assistance program is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns counties. Our program facilitates and distributes grants from several federal and state/ local agencies to serve those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
- This program is open to families with children, households that are homeless, clients referred from other agencies that have worked with the family/individual, households or individuals who have experienced domestic violence in the past 30 days and families with children that are secondary tenants. Services available include:
- Rent and mortgage assistance
- Utility payments
- Rent and utility deposits
- Rental application fees

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If you are in need of emergency financial assistance, please contact us at (904) 829-6300.

- **FOOD ASSISTANCE: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
- **Food Pantry**

Catholic Charities St. Augustine serves people of all faiths and backgrounds. We encourage any of our neighbors who may be struggling to visit our food pantry located at our office at 525 State Rd 16 STE 112, St. Augustine, FL, 32084.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine Food Pantry
- 525 State Rd 16 STE 112, St. Augustine
- Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Please bring an official form of photo identification, such as a driver's license. During holidays, please check here or call us for adjusted food distribution schedules.
- We gladly accept donations of non-perishable food items from the community. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Cereal – Hot and Cold
- Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Goods – Vegetables, fruits, soups, tuna, meats
- Dried Beans / Rice
- Diapers
- **Back Roads Program**

The Back Roads Program is a mobile food pantry operated by Catholic Charities St. Augustine that directly addresses the lack of transportation and other low-income barriers by the delivery of food to the remote parts of our three service areas (Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns).

We specifically target areas that are identified as food deserts by the USDA. Those who live in food deserts have limited access to transportation and grocery stores. Our team works alongside local libraries, community centers, churches, parishes and other outreach organizations which will help us to identify areas and individuals most in need.

To get help or donate to this program, contact Will Bennett at wbennett@ccbstaug.org or 904-829-6300, ext. 714.

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack Program addresses local food insecurity among children in a unique way inside the classroom. Each week, students discreetly receive a bag filled with nutritious kid-friendly food to take home. This ensures that they have meals and snacks to eat over the weekend, when school lunches are unavailable.
- With help from the school district staff, children in need are identified by their participation in the federal school meal assistance program. Each week, Catholic Charities St. Augustine staff organizes volunteers to help stuff recyclable bags with uniformed shelf-stable and nutritious food and other items. We then deliver these bags to

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the schools every Thursday so that the school can in turn distribute them before the weekend. Extra food is included on longer breaks such as three-day weekends, holidays and spring break.

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- Vienna sausage (Pop top cans)
- Pudding (Ready to eat)
- Juice boxes
- Applesauce (Single serving)
- Fruit cup (Single serving)
- Cereal bowls
- Granola bars (No nuts)
- Protein bars (No nuts)
- Oatmeal (Single-serving packets)

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- **DISASTER ASSISTANCE: FACILITATING DIRECT SUPPORT FOR LOCAL FAMILIES IN THE WAKE OF DISASTERS**
- In the aftermath of natural disasters and other crises, Catholic Charities St. Augustine works to help stabilize our community by directly assisting individuals in need. From financial assistance to case management, our team uplifts local families when they need it most. Many of these families have lost everything - homes, cars, belongings, and even loved ones. By providing tireless support to those who need us, we live our mission of providing compassion to the community's most vulnerable.
- **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING LOCAL FAMILIES WITH DONATED GIFTS TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine partners with several local organizations to facilitate our Holiday Assistance program: Hope for the Holidays. Each year, we work together to gather toys for local children who otherwise would not have gifts to open for the holidays. We collect and distribute hundreds of these gifts to families in need each year.
- Our team opens up applications in the fall for families facing hardship to apply to become a recipient of our Holiday Assistance program. Applications typically open in October and are first come, first served. To apply, you must meet the following criteria:
- You must have children living in your home.
- You must include the following documents in your applications:
  - Proof of county residency*, such as a current electric/water/cable bill
  - Vehicle registration
  - Lease agreement and/or mortgage documentation
  - Original social security cards for parent(s) and children
  - Original birth certificate for all children in home
  - Photo ID
  - List of gift ideas for all family members prepared before arrival
  - *The program is open to Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns County. Clients must apply through their own county: Flagler County residents must register at St. Vincent De Paul Church, Putnam County residents must register through our Palatka office, and

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St. Johns County residents must register through Catholic Charities St. Augustine. Please contact us with any questions regarding applications.

- **CARING CHOICES: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**
- As a licensed child placing agency, Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc., Diocese of St. Augustine has been a leader in the adoption field since the first Florida office opened in Jacksonville in 1943.
- The Adoption and Pregnancy Counseling Program provides services and advocacy for women with unplanned pregnancies. In accordance with the church's teaching to respect life, our services are designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, to provide care and nurturing for women and their children, and to assist in the building up of families through adoption.

The services of this program are:

- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals.
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child.
- Post- legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad.
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are need.
- Adoption education to the community.

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

- **SENIOR SERVICES: ASSISTING AREA SENIORS STRUGGLING WITH FOOD INSECURITY AND ISOLATION**
- **COMPASSION TO-GO** Catholic Charities works with the St. Augustine Sheriff's Department to connect homebound seniors in the St. Augustine/St. Johns County community with compassionate food assistance. In addition to receiving a bag of nutritious meals, this program offers those with limited mobility an opportunity for some often much-needed social contact.

For more information about this program, contact Will Bennett at wbennett@ccbstaug.org or 904-829-6300, ext. 714.

- **ST. JOSEPH NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER: Rebuilding our community through Faith, Hope, Love, and Knowledge!**
- Founded in 2021, St. Joseph Neighborhood Center is a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Augustine. Our mission appeared to us through prayer and discernment by creating space to discover God's call to meet the current needs of our dear neighbor. The message we received over and over was clear and simple… 'continue to defend and be a voice for those who do not have one.'
- This non-profit organization is dedicated to improving the lives of Young Single Mothers and their children.

The services of this program are:

- Empowering Young Single Mothers to Achieve Economic Independence
- Providing GED/Career Programs

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- Developing Relationships with Companies to Secure Job Placement
- Teaching Development Tools to Help Women Thrive in Work and Life
- Mentoring Young Single Mothers with More Effective Parenting Skills

Please visit the St. Joseph Neighborhood Center website or call (904) 824-1752 for more information.

Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn't an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

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Address:

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (Flagler County Conference)

Address	400 S. Daytona Ave., Flagler Beach, FL 32136
Phone	Shaun Porter, President; Phone: (386) 338-4025 Phone: (386) 693-4806 Thrift Store Phone: (386) 439-0071
Email	smdmsvdp@cfl.rr.com
Hours	Hours: 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. (Mon., Wed.,Fri.), 24 hours through voicemail

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

“No work of Charity is foreign to the Society”, so some Conferences may provide unique, or specialized, services depending on the needs of the community, or the individuals, that the Conference serves. Interaction with other charitable, service, or community organizations may also affect the amount and scope of resources that a Conference is able to provide to those in need.

The St. Augustine Diocesan Council is organized with three geographically oriented District Councils to provide administration and support to the Conferences located in the Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine.

Oceanside District Council (Flagler County Conference)

Santa Maria del Mar Conference

Email: smdmsvdp@cfl.rr.com

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food, clothing, limited household items & furniture.

Areas served: Flagler City

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Franklin County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Tallahassee Office

Address	1380 Blountstown Hwy., Tallahassee, FL 32304
Phone	Phone: 850-222-2180
Counties served	Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

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Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

Website	https://fightinghunger.org/
Email	melissa@fightinghunger.org
Counties served	Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

Second Harvest is a nonprofit food bank that collects and distributes food to hunger-relief charities, and also through specialized programs and mobile food distributions undertaken with community partners. We are dedicated to reducing hunger and malnutrition, and we function as the warehouse for millions of pounds of food and other essential products that go out to the community. We are a member of Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic food relief organization, and one of three Feeding America food banks in Florida designated for disaster/crisis response.

Our Feeding America service area is 9,000 square miles and includes 11 counties: Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla.

Additionally, under contract with other north Florida food banks, we serve five more counties: Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwanee.

The food bank operates from a 41,000-square-foot facility located in Tallahassee, FL. The facility includes seven shipping docks, 12,000 square feet of freezer and cooler space, and a fleet of 13 vehicles including box trucks, tractors, trailers, two Sprinter vans

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
  - Second Harvest of the Big Bend is a member of the Feeding America network, which is the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization, comprising 200 food banks throughout the country.
  - Food collected by Second Harvest food bank is distributed through our network of 135 partner agencies, including other nonprofit charities and faith-based organizations. These range from soup kitchens that serve daily, to food pantries that distribute food weekly, and to residential programs for the homeless.
  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
  - Seniors are served at participating Second Harvest Partner Agencies in Gulf, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties.
  - All seniors 60 or older qualify for our Senior Grocery Program. Eligible seniors can enroll at one of the 14 participating distribution sites listed below.
    - Innovative Charities
    - Jackson County

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- Elder Care Services
- Jackson County
- Jefferson County Senior Center
- Jefferson County
- Flipper Chapel AME Church
- Leon County
- Georgia Bell Dickenson
- Leon County
- Liberty County Senior Center
- Liberty County
- Faith Baptist Church
- Madison County
- Good News Outreach
- Leon County
- Big Bend Cares-CarePoint Leon County
- Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement
- Leon County
- Fellowship Baptist Church
- Taylor County
- Pioneer Bay
- Gulf County
- Lee Community Complex
- Hamilton County
- IFAS Community Center
- Lafayette County

For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

850-562-3033 (ext. 212)

- **Child Nutrition Programs**

Backpack Program

- Our Backpack Program provides children with a bag of food each Friday to ensure their nutritional needs are met over the weekend. Each food bag includes six components: milk, protein, ready-to-eat, fruit, vegetable and grain, and fits into a child's backpack.
  - The program provides 4,500 bags of food every week to children in Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties, serving children who rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their meals.
  - For the 2020/2021 school year, we distributed 125,000 backpacks, or 750,000 meals, through our backpack program.

Kid's Cafe Program

- The Kid's Cafe Program helps feed Leon County children after school at community centers and churches during the school months of August through June. This program

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helps bridge the gap for children who receive most of their meals from school and may not have a nutritious dinner when they go home.
    - During the 2020/2021 school year, we have seven parks and recreation center distribution sites.
    - Additionally, our **“Food on the Move Afterschool” program** delivers free food for kids in Leon County at designated underserved neighborhoods throughout the school year.

Summer BreakSpot Program

- The Summer BreakSpot Program provides kids a free, nutritious meal and snack at sponsored sites during the summer months, ensuring children have a stable source of food for their nourishment and growth when school is out.
    - Our 2022 Summer Feeding Program includes eight Summer BreakSpot locations in Leon and Madison counties, providing free breakfast, lunch and/or supper to kids 18 and under.
    - Find a Summer Feeding site near you anywhere in the State of Florida: https://www.fna.usda.gov/sfsp
    - If you are interested in becoming a Summer Food Service Program site, please complete the online registration: https://forms.office.com/r/t5rPhsrrtr

Food on the Move

- The Food on the Move program helps bridge the gap during summer months for kids who rely on school for most of their meals. Second Harvest’s “Food on the Move” van is delivering free food to kids 18 and under at nine Tallahassee locations, Monday-Friday, June 6-July 29.

School Pantry Program

- The School Pantry Program provides a large bag or box of food to accommodate a family for a few days. Currently this program operates at the following Leon County schools, and FSU:
    - Rickards High School
        - Amos P. Godby High School
        - Augusta Raa Middle School
        - Pineview Elementary School
        - W.T. Moore Elementary School
        - Oak Ridge Elementary School
        - Chaires Elementary School
        - Fairview Middle School
        - Nims Middle School
        - FSU Food for Thought pantry
- **Disaster Relief**
    - Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank serves as one of Feeding America’s three emergency food distribution hubs in Florida. As such, we contribute to the statewide coordination of emergency food and water in response to disasters.
    - As part of the Big Bend COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) which includes the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Operations Center, Volunteer Leon, Big Bend 211 and others, Second Harvest provides food, water and other

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necessities both before and after a crisis or disaster. Second Harvest also works in conjunction with Feeding Florida and its other 11- member food banks to cover disaster situations throughout the entire state of Florida.
    - In our 41,000-square-foot warehouse, we are able to stage supplies for our fellow COAD members to supplement their supply chains. In conjunction with Feeding Florida, Second Harvest also stores disaster relief product for the Florida Department of Emergency Management.
- **Mobile Pantry Program**
    - Mobile pantries are Second Harvest of the Big Bend food distributions funded by grants and donations and conducted jointly with one of our Agency Partners located throughout our 11-county service area, often in a church or nonprofit's parking lot, at an announced date and time.
    - Between 100 and 900 people will typically receive food distributions, including dry goods, fresh produce and frozen meat. All active partners in good standing are eligible to host a mobile pantry.
    - Benefits of Mobile Pantry
        - Besides offering flexibility of delivery, mobile pantries offer a quick and effective way to distribute food and maintain an atmosphere of dignity. A mobile pantry also serves some very specific needs:
        - Targets underserved areas, removing barriers to access and therefore expanding capacity, building community and creating access.
        - Takes food directly to clients in a timely manner allowing a farmer's market-style distribution encouraging greater interaction between volunteers and clients, encouraging everyone to share recipes, family traditions and life experiences.
        - Provides the opportunity for religious and charitable organizations to partner with local governments, businesses, and universities to manage the distribution. A one-time distribution can develop into a long-term partnership to provide necessary services for the needy in the community.

Here's what you can expect when you visit one of our partner pantries:

- You will see signage outside the pantry directing you to the right place
- You will be asked how many people live in your household so we can give you enough food
- You may need to present your ID to show you live within the county
- You may need to fill out a form to self-report your income and how many people live in your home (this only needs to be done once a year)
- You can always expect supportive staff to help get you support when you need it.

If you would like more information about Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank and the services we provide, please use the contact information below.

Our Location: 4446 Entrepot Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32310.

Phone: 850-562-3033 Fax: 850-562-6176

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Gadsden County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Tallahassee Office

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OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
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  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
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For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

850-562-3033 (ext. 212)

- **Child Nutrition Programs**

Backpack Program

- Our Backpack Program provides children with a bag of food each Friday to ensure their nutritional needs are met over the weekend. Each food bag includes six components: milk, protein, ready-to-eat, fruit, vegetable and grain, and fits into a child's backpack.
  - The program provides 4,500 bags of food every week to children in Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties, serving children who rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their meals.
  - For the 2020/2021 school year, we distributed 125,000 backpacks, or 750,000 meals, through our backpack program.

Kid's Cafe Program

- The Kid's Cafe Program helps feed Leon County children after school at community centers and churches during the school months of August through June. This program

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helps bridge the gap for children who receive most of their meals from school and may not have a nutritious dinner when they go home.
    - During the 2020/2021 school year, we have seven parks and recreation center distribution sites.
    - Additionally, our **“Food on the Move Afterschool” program** delivers free food for kids in Leon County at designated underserved neighborhoods throughout the school year.

Summer BreakSpot Program

- The Summer BreakSpot Program provides kids a free, nutritious meal and snack at sponsored sites during the summer months, ensuring children have a stable source of food for their nourishment and growth when school is out.
    - Our 2022 Summer Feeding Program includes eight Summer BreakSpot locations in Leon and Madison counties, providing free breakfast, lunch and/or supper to kids 18 and under.
    - Find a Summer Feeding site near you anywhere in the State of Florida: https://www.fna.usda.gov/sfsp
    - If you are interested in becoming a Summer Food Service Program site, please complete the online registration: https://forms.office.com/r/t5rPhsrrtr

Food on the Move

- The Food on the Move program helps bridge the gap during summer months for kids who rely on school for most of their meals. Second Harvest’s “Food on the Move” van is delivering free food to kids 18 and under at nine Tallahassee locations, Monday-Friday, June 6-July 29.

School Pantry Program

- The School Pantry Program provides a large bag or box of food to accommodate a family for a few days. Currently this program operates at the following Leon County schools, and FSU:
    - Rickards High School
        - Amos P. Godby High School
        - Augusta Raa Middle School
        - Pineview Elementary School
        - W.T. Moore Elementary School
        - Oak Ridge Elementary School
        - Chaires Elementary School
        - Fairview Middle School
        - Nims Middle School
        - FSU Food for Thought pantry
- **Disaster Relief**
    - Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank serves as one of Feeding America’s three emergency food distribution hubs in Florida. As such, we contribute to the statewide coordination of emergency food and water in response to disasters.
    - As part of the Big Bend COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) which includes the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Operations Center, Volunteer Leon, Big Bend 211 and others, Second Harvest provides food, water and other

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necessities both before and after a crisis or disaster. Second Harvest also works in conjunction with Feeding Florida and its other 11- member food banks to cover disaster situations throughout the entire state of Florida.
    - In our 41,000-square-foot warehouse, we are able to stage supplies for our fellow COAD members to supplement their supply chains. In conjunction with Feeding Florida, Second Harvest also stores disaster relief product for the Florida Department of Emergency Management.
- **Mobile Pantry Program**
    - Mobile pantries are Second Harvest of the Big Bend food distributions funded by grants and donations and conducted jointly with one of our Agency Partners located throughout our 11-county service area, often in a church or nonprofit's parking lot, at an announced date and time.
    - Between 100 and 900 people will typically receive food distributions, including dry goods, fresh produce and frozen meat. All active partners in good standing are eligible to host a mobile pantry.
    - Benefits of Mobile Pantry
        - Besides offering flexibility of delivery, mobile pantries offer a quick and effective way to distribute food and maintain an atmosphere of dignity. A mobile pantry also serves some very specific needs:
        - Targets underserved areas, removing barriers to access and therefore expanding capacity, building community and creating access.
        - Takes food directly to clients in a timely manner allowing a farmer's market-style distribution encouraging greater interaction between volunteers and clients, encouraging everyone to share recipes, family traditions and life experiences.
        - Provides the opportunity for religious and charitable organizations to partner with local governments, businesses, and universities to manage the distribution. A one-time distribution can develop into a long-term partnership to provide necessary services for the needy in the community.

Here's what you can expect when you visit one of our partner pantries:

- You will see signage outside the pantry directing you to the right place
- You will be asked how many people live in your household so we can give you enough food
- You may need to present your ID to show you live within the county
- You may need to fill out a form to self-report your income and how many people live in your home (this only needs to be done once a year)
- You can always expect supportive staff to help get you support when you need it.

If you would like more information about Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank and the services we provide, please use the contact information below.

Our Location: 4446 Entrepot Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32310.

Phone: 850-562-3033 Fax: 850-562-6176

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Gilchrist County

Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

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Counties served	Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy

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Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CatholicCharitiesGainesville Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 4:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 46 years, Catholic Charities Gainesville has served the local communities of Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy counties with charitable services. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, poverty reduction and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **BRIDGES TO PROSPERITY: ADDRESSING POVERTY FROM A PERSONAL AND SOCIETAL PERSPECTIVE**
  - The Bridges to Prosperity program is a three-part program that views poverty from a personal and societal perspective. The pillars of the program consist of teaching financial fitness, sharing insight on getting ahead and staying on track, and matching graduates with community allies to work toward their goals.
  - We work with each client individually to create a spending plan and build smart financial habits to help achieve their goals and overcome their obstacles, all while offering education on the cycle of poverty and its impact on communities.
    - **Part 1: Financial Fitness** This four-week course is designed to help people find extra dollars every month to save, create a spending plan, and avoid falling into money and credit traps.
- **Part 2: Getting Ahead in a "Just Getting By" World** This 15-week course digs deeper into the causes of poverty and its impacts on the community and the individual. We work with the client to establish objectives and goals to help them become self-sufficient.
- **Part 3: Community Allies**

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This portion of the program involves matching the graduates up with community Allies to work together toward the goals set out in part 2.

For more information, contact Rev. James Dixon at 352-372-0294, ext. 434 or jdixon@ccgnv.org

- **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
  - Our Emergency Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Gainesville and surrounding counties. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - Our food pantry currently provides about 850 pounds of food per week, serving more than 1,000 people per month. Families struggling to make ends meet can visit our pantry once per month. We provide food packages nutritionally balanced to meet the needs of each family or individual, including specialized foods for those who have diabetes as well as bags for homeless clients that take into consideration a person's ability to cook.
  - Our agency also offers limited financial assistance to help with rent, mortgages, utilities, and prescriptions. In 2020, we provided more than 809 individuals in need with financial assistance through support from community partners like United Way of North Central Florida.

For more information contact Sabrina Miller smiller@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 438

- **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESOL): HELPING THOSE LEARNING TO SPEAK ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**
- Through our English as a Second Language (ESOL) program, we provide learning resources to those who are not native English speakers.
- Our English Language Literacy Program is designed to help anyone who is looking to learn or improve their skills in English comprehension and usage. Our small and personal classroom environment is designed to meet multi-level needs and understanding of the English language. Our twice weekly classes are taught by Certified ESL instructors with over twelve years of experience.

For more information contact Pat Rayos prayos@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 421

- **HOPWA AND ELIGIBILITY: CONNECTING THOSE IN NEED WITH HOUSING ASSISTANCE**
- Catholic Charities Gainesville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:
- Case Management
- Referrals
- Group Counseling
- Caregiver Services

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For more information or see if you qualify, please contact Susan Frizzell sfrizzell@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, ext. 427

- **RURAL MOBILE OUTREACH: DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO THOSE LIVING IN RURAL AREAS IN OUR FIVE-COUNTY SERVICE AREA**
- Our Rural Mobile Outreach program provides basic necessities to those in rural areas who are struggling. Most often, these are children and the elderly. Without reliable transportation to visit us for assistance, these individuals and families would have no way to get the help they need. Instead, we bring support directly to them, providing food, toiletries, school supplies and more to keep them on their feet.
- The Mobile Outreach Clinic has partnered with Catholic Charities of Gainesville to further extend it's mission and outreach to other communities including Micanopy and Hawthorne through the Rural Mobile Outreach Program. They will be serving these areas on a rotating basis every Tuesday of the month. Please contact them at (352)273-5329 for more information or to schedule an appointment! See https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/news for schedule details.

For more information, contact John Harris at Jharris@ccgnv.org or 352-372-0294, ext. 435

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack program is a relief program that provides meals to children who don’t have reliable access to food during the weekends and rely on their weekday lunches from school. Our program strives to provide more than 700 children each week with the food they need to stay healthy, happy and successful in the classroom. On average, it costs about $6 to feed a child over the weekend.
- We welcome the community’s support for this program and accept donations of nutritious and kid-friendly food during the school year. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Canned meat: tuna, chicken, vienna sausage
- Canned goods: fruit, ravioli, vegetables, beans, soup, chili w/ beans
- Juice boxes
- Macaroni & cheese
- Pudding & Jell-O packs
- Snack crackers
- Raisins
- Applesauce
- Fruit Chews
- The foods above were recommended by local nutritionists and food pantries as “kid-friendly” nutritious food items that are easy for a child to carry (no glass please). The “Wish list” is provided to help guide your search for food. However, these are ONLY suggestions. We WILL accept other food not included on this list.

For more information contact Courtland Conner at cconner@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 436

- **ADOPTIONS & PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

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- Catholic Charities Gainesville provides services designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, provide care for women and their children, and to assist in the building of families through adoption.
- The program provides multiple services including:
- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child
- Post-legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to the birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are needed
- Adoption education to the community

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

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Glades County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. – Lee, Hendry, and Glades County Administrative Offices

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Counties served	Glades, Hendry, Lee

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Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers a variety of programs in Lee, Hendry, and Glades Counties that provide families and individuals with vital assistance designed to help them find their potential for success and to become more self-sufficient.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Anti-Human-Trafficking Assistance**

Providing victims of human trafficking professional and compassionate services such as intensive case management, mental health counseling, and transitional housing while they integrate into society.

- **Immigration and Citizenship Services**

Assisting immigrants with family reunification and citizenship services.

- **Positive Youth Development Program**

Empowering at-risk elementary students with academic support services through afternoon tutoring with case management during the school year and enrichment day camp during the summer months.

- **Senior Support Coordination Program**

Offering seniors in-home support through coordination of services such as medical, transportation, groceries, and other needs so that they can safely remain in their homes and live independently.

- **Food Pantries**

Feeding the hungry through food pantries in Fort Myers, Bonita Springs, and Clewiston.

- **Direct Assistance of Baby Supplies**

Aiding families experiencing hardship with baby items such as diapers, bottles, toys, clothing, bedding, strollers, and car seats.

- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Outreach**

Guiding clients with applications for food stamps, Medicaid, and other assistance from the State of Florida.

- **Disaster Response and Recovery**

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Meeting the needs of the community before, during, and after a disaster.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF VENICE, INC. SERVES ALL IN NEED REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, OR CREED.

Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida

Website	https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/
Email	childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org, fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org
Counties served	Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee

About Us

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is the largest hunger relief network in Southwest Florida, serving Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties.

We rescue, inspect, transport and distribute donated food and other grocery products to more than 150 partner agencies and programs that provide direct services to those in need. They include food pantries, soup kitchens, in-school pantries, mobile pantries, senior programs, homeless shelters, disaster relief agencies and more. The food bank provides food for about 28,000 individuals each week.

Feeding Children

Throughout Southwest Florida, more than 65% of all public-school aged students are eligible for free or reduced lunches.

Schools, education centers and after-school programming centers are a natural fit for food pantries – they provide an easy-to-access location that parents and students feel comfortable in and visit regularly. While some parents might not be able to visit traditional food pantries because of distribution times or location, in most cases our program distributes food at the end of the day when parents are already at the education center to pick up their children. Locating food pantries in schools and education centers means the program is able to connect children and their families with the healthy food they need during the week and weekend.

In-School Pantry Program

Our In-School Pantry Program follows an evidence-based system that alleviates child hunger through food distribution at carefully selected schools. This nationally acclaimed food distribution model, taken by Feeding America, is designed to provide an accessible source of food assistance to students and their families who are hungry. By locating pantries inside schools, students and their families have easier access to food assistance and feel more comfortable acquiring food assistance in this manner due to familiarity with the site locations.

Harry Chapin Food Bank stocks the in-school pantries with shelf-stable foods such as canned vegetables and meat, cereal, dry pasta, boxed macaroni and cheese, soup, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans. In addition, the In-school Pantry Program can be supplemented with fresh produce and frozen meat items when available.

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Harry’s Helpings

Harry’s Helpings is an innovative feeding program that provides supplemental food kits for families at childcare, early childhood education, and after-school programming centers where traditional food pantry distribution models are not feasible due to space constraints, lack of adequate staffing or other barriers.

Harry’s Helpings also offers assistance to the community at community and service centers, special one-time events, and other non-traditional feeding programs. Harry’s Helpings kits are filled with enough nutritious, shelf-stable food for up to 15 meals for a family of four. They may include canned vegetables and canned meat, cereal, dry pastas, boxed macaroni and cheese, soups and stews, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans.

In addition, Harry’s Helpings can be supplemented with fresh and frozen items in coordination with partner sites and when available.

For more information about these programs, call (239) 334-7007 or email childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Feeding Families

Feeding families is the core of our mission and represents most of our total food distribution throughout our five-county footprint. Our strategic approach involves navigating the fact that sixty percent of our five-county footprint is a food desert. Our strategies incorporate food safety protocols, innovative food procurement methods and an enormous amount of passion that no one should have to go hungry.

Our Fulfill Mobile Pantry Program directly serves our neighbors who are hungry where people with limited financial resources and transportation may not be able to access food through traditional grocery stores.

Through our Fulfill Mobile Pantries, a truckload of food is transported and distributed in areas of high need to supplement our other hunger-relief programs in our five-county footprint.

Two distribution methods are utilized: a farmer’s market-style distribution where those who are food-insecure can choose to take what they need or a drive-thru distribution model, where families receive a pre-packaged food kit filled with shelf-stable foods that is supplemented with fresh produce and frozen protein when it is available.

Our mobile pantries distribute fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, and other food items.

For more information on the Fulfill Mobile Pantries program, call 239.334-7007 or email fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience directly serves those who are food insecure in areas of high need. The mobile market is a one-aisle grocery store, designed to provide healthy, fresh food through a **dignified “shopping” experience** for families and individuals in need.

Our mobile market consists of several different items such as fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, dairy, and other food items. Through our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience, **Harry Chapin Food Bank transports healthy foods to our neighbors at no cost who live in designated “food deserts” and low-income areas.** We are able to eliminate transportation as a barrier to accessing food by bringing the mobile market directly to families who are hungry.

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Feeding Seniors

Senior hunger is a hidden issue in Southwest Florida.

Many seniors on fixed incomes have to make the difficult choice whether to purchase food or buy medicine. Seniors who do not get the nutrition they need are at a higher risk of developing health problems such as diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure.

Care and Share Senior Feeding Program

The Care and Share Senior Feeding Program supplements the diets of more than 2,200 seniors with low income in Charlotte, Collier and Lee counties with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food.

Eligible seniors aged 55 and over receive kits containing pre-packaged food kits that contain easy-to-prepare meals and shelf-stable fruits, vegetables, proteins, cheeses, and grains. When possible, we supplement the food kits with fresh produce and frozen meat.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federal government program that provides nutritious food to eligible seniors 60 years of age or older with low-incomes. Food boxes are distributed once a month at designated sites in Glades and Hendry counties.

For more information on eligibility and enrollment for Care & Share or CSFP, call (239) 334-7007 or email seniorprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Those in need cannot receive food directly from Harry Chapin Food Bank. To receive food, we encourage those seeking food to visit our website and click on the Food Locator to find a Agency Partner or mobile pantry in their area. You can also call us at 239-334-7007 or dial 211, the United Way 211 information hotline, to find the nearest site.

Locations

Fort Myers Distribution Center 3760 Fowler St. Fort Myers, FL 33901

Collier County Center 3940 Prospect Ave. #101 Naples, FL 34104

Contact Info

Phone: (239) 334-7007 Fax: (239) 337-1399 Email: fighthunger@harrychapinfoodbank.org

Website: https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/

For a **staff directory**, click here.

Hours of operation

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Gulf County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Panama City Office

Address	3128 East 11th St., Panama City, FL 32401
Phone	Phone: 850-763-0475
Counties served	Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Washington

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

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Phone: 850-562-3033 Fax: 850-562-6176

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Hamilton County

Catholic Charities Lake City

Address	553 NW Railroad Street, Lake City, FL 32055
Phone	Phone: 386-754-9180
Website	https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/
Email	suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org, Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org
Counties served	Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Suwannee, Union

Fax: 386-754-5325 Email: suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/catholiccharitieslc

Administrative Hours: Monday – Friday, 7:30am to 3:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 22 years, Catholic Charities Lake City has served the local communities of Columbia, Suwannee, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Union counties with charity rooted in compassion. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, disaster relief, and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** Our Emergency Assistance Program is recognized and leads the way as the go to agency for one stop shop! We assist with helping families prior to becoming homeless as well as when they become behind on a potential utility, rent or mortgage payment. In addition, our Stellar Food Pantry is open 5 days a week sunny, rainy, hot, or cold from 7:30am to 11:30am Monday – Friday. We assist all our financial clients with a friendly, experienced case manager to assist with the initial assessment and together working a personalized case plan with his family for self sufficiency – providing referrals and connecting with other agencies as we all partner together for the greater good of our clients. Our service area is vast and wide to the Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Union, and Columbia counties. Four of the five are food deserts, and all five of these counties have NO PUBLIC transportation at all. Please email Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org for more information.
- **FOOD PANTRY: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
  - **Catholic Charities Food Pantry** The Catholic Charities Lake City team has operated a food pantry located at our office for decades. We offer food staples such as:
    - Mac & cheese
    - Canned tuna or canned chicken
    - Juice boxes Peanut butter (no glass)

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        - Rice & dried beans
        - Pasta & spaghetti sauce
        - Dry cereal
        - Canned veggies
        - Canned soups
        - Any Pop-Top foods
        - Low sodium items

We also distribute non-food items such as:

- Diapers (all sizes)
    - Toilet paper
        - Toothpaste (small tubes)
        - Toothbrushes
        - Quart, Gallon size zip lock storage bags
        - 18 qt. trash bags

Please visit our Facebook page for the most up-to-date hours and any changes during the holiday season. For other questions, please contact Suzanne Edwards at Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.com.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

Catholic Charities Lake City

553 NW Railroad Street

Lake City, FL 32055

Monday-Friday 7:30am - 11:30am

Phone: 386-755-5683

- **Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach Program** Our Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach program serves five counties in Florida, none of which have public transportation. We use our refrigerated truck to bring fresh groceries to rural areas where people have no ability to get to our Food Pantry. We provide canned food, fresh produce, dairy, meats, bread, and pastries to those in need. Please look out for Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach announcements, which are posted 2 weeks prior to our events on our Facebook page.
    - **Partner Food Pantries**

If you are struggling with food insecurity, check out our food pantry hours or visit one of our 60 partner locations throughout Columbia, Hamilton, Suwanee, and Union counties.

County	Name	Physical Address	City	Phone Number
Columbia	Bethlehem United Methodist	712 SW Bethlehem Ave	Fort White	386-856-1826
Columbia	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad Street	Lake City	386-754-9180
Columbia	Christian Service Center	421 NW Washington St.	Lake City	386-755-1770
Columbia	Evangel Deliverance Miracle	256 NW Carol Place	Lake City	386-365-8424
Columbia	LuLu Baptist Church	160 SE Gillen Terrace	LuLu	904-703-9567
Columbia	Olivet Missionary Baptist Church	541 NE Davis Avenue	Lake City	386-752-1990
Columbia	Partners of HOPE	217 SW Dyal Avenue	Lake City	386-867-0628
Columbia	Trinity UMC	310 NE Martin Luther King S	Lake City	386-752-3701
Columbia	Word in Power	5888 NW US Highway 41	Lake City	386-984-8607

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Columbia	Young Marines of NCF	464 SW Amiel Ct.	Fort White	386-867-1380
Hamilton	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Hamilton	New Bethel AME Church	604 SW 6th St.	Jasper	386-855-1997
Suwannee	African Baptist Church	502 Walker Ave. SW	Live Oak	386-362-8860
Suwannee	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Suwannee	Evergreen Baptist Church	2509 224th St.	Lake City	386-628-1692
Suwannee	First Baptist Church	401 W. Howard St.	Live Oak	904-412-1811
Suwannee	Mt. Gilead Baptist Church	18305 56th St.	Live Oak	386-209-4252
Suwannee	O'Brien Baptist Church	9544 E CR 349	O'Brien	386-288-3768
Suwannee	Power For Living	22880 SR 247	Lake City	386-365-2862
Suwannee	San Juan Catholic Mission	304 Plant Avenue SE	Branford	386-935-2632
Suwannee	St. Francis Xavier Catholic	928 Howard St. East	Live Oak	386-364-1108
Suwannee	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	1391 11th St. SW	Live Oak	386-362-1837
Suwannee	Wellborn Church of God	3330 E. US Highway 90	Wellborn	386-963-4988
Suwannee	Wellborn United Methodist	12005 CR. 137	Wellborn	386-963-2324
Union	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Union	Old Providence Baptist Church	9316 NW CR 245	Lake Butler	386-755-1648

- **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING LOCAL FAMILIES WITH DONATED GIFTS TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON** The Catholic Charities Lake City team begins planning holiday assistance events for both Thanksgiving & Christmas in late fall. We are blessed that many businesses – as well as all Columbia County public schools and some private schools – participate in canned food drives to support this initiative beginning in early October in conjunction with fall festivals & homecomings. These canned goods are collected, sorted and packaged for families struggling to make ends meet. Our team also places gift cards in each bag for a choice of meat. In 2021, we distributed 550 Thanksgiving baskets and vouchers. In December, our elves work to garner support of our Christmas Angel tree program for families facing hardship. This initiative is also completely privately funded. Applications for these programs will be available on our website (https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/holiday-assistance) and on our Facebook page in October.

Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

Website	https://fightinghunger.org/
Email	melissa@fightinghunger.org
Counties served	Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

Second Harvest is a nonprofit food bank that collects and distributes food to hunger-relief charities, and also through specialized programs and mobile food distributions undertaken with community partners. We are dedicated to reducing hunger and malnutrition, and we function as the warehouse for millions of pounds of food and other essential products that go out to the community. We are a member of Feeding America, the nation’s largest domestic food relief organization, and one of three Feeding America food banks in Florida designated for disaster/crisis response.

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Our Feeding America service area is 9,000 square miles and includes 11 counties: Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla.

Additionally, under contract with other north Florida food banks, we serve five more counties: Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwanee.

The food bank operates from a 41,000-square-foot facility located in Tallahassee, FL. The facility includes seven shipping docks, 12,000 square feet of freezer and cooler space, and a fleet of 13 vehicles including box trucks, tractors, trailers, two Sprinter vans

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
  - Second Harvest of the Big Bend is a member of the Feeding America network, which is the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization, comprising 200 food banks throughout the country.
  - Food collected by Second Harvest food bank is distributed through our network of 135 partner agencies, including other nonprofit charities and faith-based organizations. These range from soup kitchens that serve daily, to food pantries that distribute food weekly, and to residential programs for the homeless.
  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
  - Seniors are served at participating Second Harvest Partner Agencies in Gulf, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties.
  - All seniors 60 or older qualify for our Senior Grocery Program. Eligible seniors can enroll at one of the 14 participating distribution sites listed below.
    - Innovative Charities
    - Jackson County
    - Elder Care Services
    - Jackson County
    - Jefferson County Senior Center
    - Jefferson County
    - Flipper Chapel AME Church
    - Leon County
    - Georgia Bell Dickenson
    - Leon County
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    - Liberty County
    - Faith Baptist Church
    - Madison County
    - Good News Outreach

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- Leon County
- Big Bend Cares-CarePoint Leon County
- Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement
- Leon County
- Fellowship Baptist Church
- Taylor County
- Pioneer Bay
- Gulf County
- Lee Community Complex
- Hamilton County
- IFAS Community Center
- Lafayette County

For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

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Hardee County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. – DeSoto County Administrative Offices

Address	1210 East Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266
Phone	Phone: 863-494-1068
Email	desotoadmin.assistant@catholiccharitiesdov.org
Counties served	DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands

Fax: 863-222-8697

Email: desotoadmin.assistant@catholiccharitiesdov.org

Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers a variety of programs in DeSoto, Hardee, and Highlands counties that provide families and individuals with vital assistance designed to help them find their potential for success and to become more self-sufficient.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Prevention and Support Services**

DeSoto County residents have historically found it difficult to enjoy decent employment. Catholic Charities helps those facing hardships with assistance with payments for rent, mortgage, and utilities, along with other basic needs for food, transportation, and prescription medications. Education is a primary focus of the Prevention and Support Services and families are provided with resources for other unmet needs such as budgeting, employment opportunities, and guidance with applying for other appropriate services.

- **Immigration and Family Reunification Services**

DeSoto County is home to a large number of migrant families who wish to achieve citizenship or reunite with other family members. For those who are legal permanent residents, renewal of residence and employment documents is critical to their ability to remain productive members of the community. Catholic Charities provides low-cost assistance to individuals and families to help them realize their dreams.

- **Farm Worker Housing**

Casa San Juan Bosco Farm Worker Housing is a Catholic Charities development located in Arcadia that provides quality and affordable homes to area farmworkers and their families. The family-friendly neighborhood features 97 homes, playgrounds, soccer fields, a community garden, and two community centers with a computer lab/library.

- **Education and Enrichment Services**

Education and enrichment activities are offered to both children and adults at the Casa San Juan Bosco Community Center. Catholic Charities' efforts are supported by a group of volunteers who assist children with homework and provide leadership for adult activities such as ESOL classes and Zumba classes. Catholic Charities is proud to partner with a

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variety of community agencies in bringing educational experiences to the residents of Casa San Juan Bosco.

- **Senior Housing**

St. John Paul II Villas is a Catholic Charities housing development located in Arcadia that provides quality and affordable living for low-income seniors. The neighborhood features 64 units which include 32 one-bedroom and one-bath units and 32 two-bedroom and two-bath units along with a community center equipped with computers and designated areas for socializing and wellness activities.

- **Wellness and Enrichment Services**

Wellness and enrichment activities are offered to seniors at the St. John Paul II Villas Community Center. Catholic Charities' efforts are supported by a variety of community agencies and partners to bring educational experiences to the residents of St. John Paul II Villas.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF VENICE, INC. SERVES ALL IN NEED REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, OR CREED.

Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or

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meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We’re here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

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Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

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The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

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Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

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Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

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Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

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Hendry County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. – Lee, Hendry, and Glades County Administrative Offices

Address	4235 Michigan Avenue Link, Fort Myers, FL 33916
Phone	Phone: 239-334-4007
Email	eduardo.gloria@catholiccharitiesdov.org
Counties served	Glades, Hendry, Lee

Fax: 239-334-3707

Email: eduardo.gloria@catholiccharitiesdov.org

Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers a variety of programs in Lee, Hendry, and Glades Counties that provide families and individuals with vital assistance designed to help them find their potential for success and to become more self-sufficient.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Anti-Human-Trafficking Assistance**

Providing victims of human trafficking professional and compassionate services such as intensive case management, mental health counseling, and transitional housing while they integrate into society.

- **Immigration and Citizenship Services**

Assisting immigrants with family reunification and citizenship services.

- **Positive Youth Development Program**

Empowering at-risk elementary students with academic support services through afternoon tutoring with case management during the school year and enrichment day camp during the summer months.

- **Senior Support Coordination Program**

Offering seniors in-home support through coordination of services such as medical, transportation, groceries, and other needs so that they can safely remain in their homes and live independently.

- **Food Pantries**

Feeding the hungry through food pantries in Fort Myers, Bonita Springs, and Clewiston.

- **Direct Assistance of Baby Supplies**

Aiding families experiencing hardship with baby items such as diapers, bottles, toys, clothing, bedding, strollers, and car seats.

- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Outreach**

Guiding clients with applications for food stamps, Medicaid, and other assistance from the State of Florida.

- **Disaster Response and Recovery**

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Meeting the needs of the community before, during, and after a disaster.

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Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida

Website	https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/
Email	childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org, fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org
Counties served	Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee

About Us

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is the largest hunger relief network in Southwest Florida, serving Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties.

We rescue, inspect, transport and distribute donated food and other grocery products to more than 150 partner agencies and programs that provide direct services to those in need. They include food pantries, soup kitchens, in-school pantries, mobile pantries, senior programs, homeless shelters, disaster relief agencies and more. The food bank provides food for about 28,000 individuals each week.

Feeding Children

Throughout Southwest Florida, more than 65% of all public-school aged students are eligible for free or reduced lunches.

Schools, education centers and after-school programming centers are a natural fit for food pantries – they provide an easy-to-access location that parents and students feel comfortable in and visit regularly. While some parents might not be able to visit traditional food pantries because of distribution times or location, in most cases our program distributes food at the end of the day when parents are already at the education center to pick up their children. Locating food pantries in schools and education centers means the program is able to connect children and their families with the healthy food they need during the week and weekend.

In-School Pantry Program

Our In-School Pantry Program follows an evidence-based system that alleviates child hunger through food distribution at carefully selected schools. This nationally acclaimed food distribution model, taken by Feeding America, is designed to provide an accessible source of food assistance to students and their families who are hungry. By locating pantries inside schools, students and their families have easier access to food assistance and feel more comfortable acquiring food assistance in this manner due to familiarity with the site locations.

Harry Chapin Food Bank stocks the in-school pantries with shelf-stable foods such as canned vegetables and meat, cereal, dry pasta, boxed macaroni and cheese, soup, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans. In addition, the In-school Pantry Program can be supplemented with fresh produce and frozen meat items when available.

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Harry’s Helpings

Harry’s Helpings is an innovative feeding program that provides supplemental food kits for families at childcare, early childhood education, and after-school programming centers where traditional food pantry distribution models are not feasible due to space constraints, lack of adequate staffing or other barriers.

Harry’s Helpings also offers assistance to the community at community and service centers, special one-time events, and other non-traditional feeding programs. Harry’s Helpings kits are filled with enough nutritious, shelf-stable food for up to 15 meals for a family of four. They may include canned vegetables and canned meat, cereal, dry pastas, boxed macaroni and cheese, soups and stews, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans.

In addition, Harry’s Helpings can be supplemented with fresh and frozen items in coordination with partner sites and when available.

For more information about these programs, call (239) 334-7007 or email childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Feeding Families

Feeding families is the core of our mission and represents most of our total food distribution throughout our five-county footprint. Our strategic approach involves navigating the fact that sixty percent of our five-county footprint is a food desert. Our strategies incorporate food safety protocols, innovative food procurement methods and an enormous amount of passion that no one should have to go hungry.

Our Fulfill Mobile Pantry Program directly serves our neighbors who are hungry where people with limited financial resources and transportation may not be able to access food through traditional grocery stores.

Through our Fulfill Mobile Pantries, a truckload of food is transported and distributed in areas of high need to supplement our other hunger-relief programs in our five-county footprint.

Two distribution methods are utilized: a farmer’s market-style distribution where those who are food-insecure can choose to take what they need or a drive-thru distribution model, where families receive a pre-packaged food kit filled with shelf-stable foods that is supplemented with fresh produce and frozen protein when it is available.

Our mobile pantries distribute fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, and other food items.

For more information on the Fulfill Mobile Pantries program, call 239.334-7007 or email fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience directly serves those who are food insecure in areas of high need. The mobile market is a one-aisle grocery store, designed to provide healthy, fresh food through a **dignified “shopping” experience** for families and individuals in need.

Our mobile market consists of several different items such as fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, dairy, and other food items. Through our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience, **Harry Chapin Food Bank transports healthy foods to our neighbors at no cost who live in designated “food deserts” and low-income areas.** We are able to eliminate transportation as a barrier to accessing food by bringing the mobile market directly to families who are hungry.

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Feeding Seniors

Senior hunger is a hidden issue in Southwest Florida.

Many seniors on fixed incomes have to make the difficult choice whether to purchase food or buy medicine. Seniors who do not get the nutrition they need are at a higher risk of developing health problems such as diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure.

Care and Share Senior Feeding Program

The Care and Share Senior Feeding Program supplements the diets of more than 2,200 seniors with low income in Charlotte, Collier and Lee counties with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food.

Eligible seniors aged 55 and over receive kits containing pre-packaged food kits that contain easy-to-prepare meals and shelf-stable fruits, vegetables, proteins, cheeses, and grains. When possible, we supplement the food kits with fresh produce and frozen meat.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federal government program that provides nutritious food to eligible seniors 60 years of age or older with low-incomes. Food boxes are distributed once a month at designated sites in Glades and Hendry counties.

For more information on eligibility and enrollment for Care & Share or CSFP, call (239) 334-7007 or email seniorprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Those in need cannot receive food directly from Harry Chapin Food Bank. To receive food, we encourage those seeking food to visit our website and click on the Food Locator to find a Agency Partner or mobile pantry in their area. You can also call us at 239-334-7007 or dial 211, the United Way 211 information hotline, to find the nearest site.

Locations

Fort Myers Distribution Center 3760 Fowler St. Fort Myers, FL 33901

Collier County Center 3940 Prospect Ave. #101 Naples, FL 34104

Contact Info

Phone: (239) 334-7007 Fax: (239) 337-1399 Email: fighthunger@harrychapinfoodbank.org

Website: https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/

For a **staff directory**, click here.

Hours of operation

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Hernando County

Community Food Bank | Feed352

Address	5259 W Cardinal Street, Homosassa, FL 34446
Phone	Phone: 352-628-3663
Website	https://feed352.org
Email	info@feed352.org
Hours	Hours: Mon - Fri: 6am - 2pm
Counties served	Citrus, Hernando, Sumter

Website: https://feed352.org

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- **Our Organization**

Founded in 2013, the Community Food Bank (CFB) is a lifeline for individuals and families throughout Citrus, Hernando, and Sumter counties who are facing food insecurity. Our sole purpose is to ensure no one goes hungry. Hunger is hurting our entire community as thousands of young men, women, and senior citizens who have never sought food assistance in the past find they are unable to feed themselves or their families.

The CFB raises funds, collects food, and provides tangible resources to 60+ food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, senior centers, ministries, and other resource agencies to help them serve individuals and families throughout our community. Our efforts enable area agencies to provide food assistance to more than 70,000 people each month. We're on track to distribute more than five (5) million pounds of food in 2022.

- **Find Help**

Our agencies consist of food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters that provide food to those in need.

The Community Food Bank is a centralized operation providing food, support, and resources to the vast network of public service organizations listed below. Our agencies consist of food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters that provide food to those in need.

Find a Food Relief Agency near you: https://feed352.org/food-agencies/

Click the map, then select a location by clicking the icon on the top left bar of the map window and scrolling down the list or just select a point on the map. This will provide you with a name, address, and phone number to a location.

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Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

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The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We're here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

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Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Brooksville (Hernando County Conference)

Address	18810 US Highway 41, Brooksville, FL 34604
Phone	Phone: (352) 796-6606

St. Mary, Our Lady of Sorrows

Emergency Assistance

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Emergency Assistance Procedure

- Client calls the church nearest their residence. They are asked to leave their Name, Phone Number and Type of Assistance Needed.

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- The caseworker who receives the data will determine if the individual has been helped previously, when they have been helped and if they reside within the conference's boundary.
- If the client is within the boundaries and they are eligible for assistance, the caseworker will proceed to contact the client to gain further information and set up a time to make a home visit if required otherwise the caseworker will provide the assistance needed.
- If the client is not eligible for assistance a phone call is made to the client to explain why SVDP cannot help. At this time the client is given other referral numbers that may be of help.
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Food Pantry

Serving all of Hernando and portions of Pasco & Citrus counties that are within our six conference boundaries

Food Pantry Hours

- Monday – Saturday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM
- Thursday Evening: 6:00PM - 7:00PM

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- Current picture ID or Florida drivers license
- Current proof of residency: Rent / Mortgage, utility or phone bill.
- Social Security Card for every adult and child living in the home.

Food Pantry Mission

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Ridge Manor (Hernando County Conference)

Address	4142 Treiman Blvd, Ridge Manor, FL 33523
Phone	Phone: (352) 583-2550

St. Anne

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Spring Hill (Hernando County Conference)

Address	5030 Mariner Blvd, Spring Hill, FL 34609
Phone	Phone: (352) 688-0744
Website	http://svdphernando.org/emergencyassistance.php

St. Frances Cabrini

Website: http://svdphernando.org/emergencyassistance.php

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Phone	Phone: (352) 688-9997

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Spring Hill (Hernando County Conference)

Address	13485 Spring Hill Dr, Spring Hill, FL 34609
Phone	Phone: (352) 686-0663

St. Joan of Arc

Emergency Assistance

Emergency assistance is available for most who are in need of help. In Hernando & Citrus counties they can initiate the process by calling the SVDP conference nearest their residence.

Emergency Assistance Procedure

- Client calls the church nearest their residence. They are asked to leave their Name, Phone Number and Type of Assistance Needed.
- The caseworker who receives the data will determine if the individual has been helped previously, when they have been helped and if they reside within the conference's boundary.
- If the client is within the boundaries and they are eligible for assistance, the caseworker will proceed to contact the client to gain further information and set up a time to make a home visit if required otherwise the caseworker will provide the assistance needed.

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- If the client is not eligible for assistance a phone call is made to the client to explain why SVDP cannot help. At this time the client is given other referral numbers that may be of help.
- At the time of the home visit if required, the caseworkers (always work in pairs) will get personal & financial information from the client.
- After getting the information the caseworkers may make a decision at that time and inform the client of their decision. If they cannot make a decision at the time of the visit the client will be will be given an estimate of the time when they will be informed of their decision.

Food Pantry

Serving all of Hernando and portions of Pasco & Citrus counties that are within our six conference boundaries

Food Pantry Hours

- Monday – Saturday: 9:00AM - 1:00PM
- Thursday Evening: 6:00PM - 7:00PM

When applying for temporary assistance you must attest that you meet the income eligibility requirements to obtain food and also bring the following documentation.

- Current picture ID or Florida drivers license
- Current proof of residency: Rent / Mortgage, utility or phone bill.
- Social Security Card for every adult and child living in the home.

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Highlands County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. – DeSoto County Administrative Offices

Address	1210 East Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266
Phone	Phone: 863-494-1068
Email	desotoadmin.assistant@catholiccharitiesdov.org
Counties served	DeSoto, Hardee, Highlands

Fax: 863-222-8697

Email: desotoadmin.assistant@catholiccharitiesdov.org

Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers a variety of programs in DeSoto, Hardee, and Highlands counties that provide families and individuals with vital assistance designed to help them find their potential for success and to become more self-sufficient.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Prevention and Support Services**

DeSoto County residents have historically found it difficult to enjoy decent employment. Catholic Charities helps those facing hardships with assistance with payments for rent, mortgage, and utilities, along with other basic needs for food, transportation, and prescription medications. Education is a primary focus of the Prevention and Support Services and families are provided with resources for other unmet needs such as budgeting, employment opportunities, and guidance with applying for other appropriate services.

- **Immigration and Family Reunification Services**

DeSoto County is home to a large number of migrant families who wish to achieve citizenship or reunite with other family members. For those who are legal permanent residents, renewal of residence and employment documents is critical to their ability to remain productive members of the community. Catholic Charities provides low-cost assistance to individuals and families to help them realize their dreams.

- **Farm Worker Housing**

Casa San Juan Bosco Farm Worker Housing is a Catholic Charities development located in Arcadia that provides quality and affordable homes to area farmworkers and their families. The family-friendly neighborhood features 97 homes, playgrounds, soccer fields, a community garden, and two community centers with a computer lab/library.

- **Education and Enrichment Services**

Education and enrichment activities are offered to both children and adults at the Casa San Juan Bosco Community Center. Catholic Charities' efforts are supported by a group of volunteers who assist children with homework and provide leadership for adult activities such as ESOL classes and Zumba classes. Catholic Charities is proud to partner with a

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variety of community agencies in bringing educational experiences to the residents of Casa San Juan Bosco.

- **Senior Housing**

St. John Paul II Villas is a Catholic Charities housing development located in Arcadia that provides quality and affordable living for low-income seniors. The neighborhood features 64 units which include 32 one-bedroom and one-bath units and 32 two-bedroom and two-bath units along with a community center equipped with computers and designated areas for socializing and wellness activities.

- **Wellness and Enrichment Services**

Wellness and enrichment activities are offered to seniors at the St. John Paul II Villas Community Center. Catholic Charities' efforts are supported by a variety of community agencies and partners to bring educational experiences to the residents of St. John Paul II Villas.

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Feeding Tampa Bay

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Website	https://ftb.org/
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Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

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Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

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meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

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Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We’re here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

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Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

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The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

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- **Onsite Food Pantry**

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Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Salvation Army – Trenton FL Service Unit / Sebring Service Center

Address	3135 Kenilworth Blvd, Sebring, FL 33870
Phone	Phone: (863) 385-7548

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including

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specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.

- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

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Hillsborough County

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. – Hillsborough County (Tampa Administrative Offices)

Address	2021 E. Busch Blvd., Tampa, FL 33612
Phone	Phone: (813) 631-4370
Website	https://www.ccdosp.org/wp-content/uploads/Riviera_Manor_Brochure.pdf
Email	skennan@ccdosp.org, jvargas@ccdosp.org

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40430, St. Petersburg, Florida 33743-0430

ABOUT US

Catholic Charities celebrated its 75th Anniversary in 2020! For those 75 years, Catholic Charities has worked in the Greater Tampa area providing strategic alliances, advocacy and a broad array of social services designed to support and preserve families and promote self-sufficiency.

The Agency serves all residents of Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas counties regardless of race, creed, gender, national origin, handicapping condition or socioeconomic status.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Shelters of Hope (Housing Services)** Catholic Charities provides over 1,800 units of affordable housing to qualified individuals and families. Provide shelter to over 400 individuals through 5 shelters.
- **We offer housing to:**
- Homeless men and women
- Homeless families
- Homeless veterans
- Female head of households suffering from abuse
- Female head of households with a positive HIV/AIDS diagnosis
- Low-income families
- Elderly adults with limited, fixed incomes
- Migrant farm worker families
- Immigrant families
- **Catholic Charities Family Housing** 12 family-friendly apartment buildings with 419 units throughout Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Hernando counties. Three additional buildings (one in Citrus and two in Hillsborough counties) will add an additional 48 units by December 2022.
  - **Bella Vista Apartments** Sixteen (16) unit apartment located in Hillsborough County in the heart of Tampa, close to public transportation, shopping and schools. Newly renovated. For information, call (813) 443-5065.
  - **La Tierra Verde Apartments** Forty-seven (47) unit apartment consisting of one 3-bedroom and forty-six 2-bedroom units. Located in Tampa. For information, call Suzanne Kennan: (813) 443-5065 or email La Tierra Verde Apts: skennan@ccdosp.org.

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- **Las Villas Apartments** Apartment with ten efficiency units located in Ruskin. Newly renovated. Close to transportation, retail shops, food and public transportation. For information, call Judy Vargas at (727) 399-2500 or email Las Villas Apts: jvargas@ccdosp.org.
- **Mercy Oaks** Eighteen apartments – a mix of 3, 2, and1-bedroom apartments located in Tampa. Expected to open later this month or November. For information, contact Suzanne Kennan; Phone: (813) 443-5065; Email Mercy Oaks Apts: skennan@ccdosp.org.
- **Riviera Manor** Twenty-eight (28) 1-3 bedroom apartments located on the Hillsborough River in the City of Tampa, four blocks South of Lowry Zoo. Click here to view the brochure: https://www.ccdosp.org/wp-content/uploads/Riviera_Manor_Brochure.pdf. For information, call (813) 443-5065.
- **The Palms at University** Forty (40) 2 bedroom/2 bath apartments located in Hillsborough County, one mile west of USF. Newly renovated. For information, call (813) 443-5065.

- **Tampa Homeless Shelter (Tampa Hope)**

Permanent homeless shelter for 125 homeless men and women opened on December 13, 2021 in partnership with the City of Tampa after the success of the temporary shelter that opened on March 28, 2021 in response to the COVID-19 crisis. We will eventually house 300 clients as we assist them in transitioning to permanent housing and self-sufficiency. Tampa Hope is a Catholic Charities operated shelter presently serving 125 homeless adults with plans to expand to 325. Our goal is to assist these women and men in achieving permanent housing and self-sufficiency in four months (we will extend this as necessary provided clients are progressing and following the prescribed service plan of action to achieve the end-goal of self-sufficiency). To do so, we provide the following basic assistance in addition to shelter:

- Three meals a day
  - Toiletries (hygiene items)
    - Clothing
    - Access to restrooms, showers and laundry facilities
    - Additionally, case managers and housing specialists help clients navigate services to obtain permanent housing, including basic health and dental care, mental health and substance abuse counseling, employment skills and assistance, education assistance, and more (e.g., financial literacy training).

To learn more or inquire about being admitted to Tampa Hope, call the General Number (Voicemail: 813-333-7269) or an Outreach Specialist (M-F 9a – 4p: 813-394-2881).

- **San Jose Mission**

122 apartments for low-income farm worker families located in Dover, FL (Hillsborough County).

What we do: San Jose Mission is a residential community composed of 122 rental units that provide housing for low income families involved in the agriculture or aquaculture industries. In addition, Catholic Charities provides counseling, housing counseling, immigration services, life skills education, and case management to the families. Click here to view our program card: https://www.ccdosp.org/wp-content/uploads/San_Jose_Mission_Program_Card.pdf

The Mission also currently hosts a community partnership of health, education, and social services agencies that provide a day care center for 90 children (operated by Redlands

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Christian Migrant Association); an adult education and literacy program (provided by Hillsborough County Schools); a parish nurse (provided by St. Joseph's/Baptist Hospital).

Catholic Mobile Medical Services, also available to eligible families, provides medical screening and follow-up medical care. It operates under the auspices of the State of Florida Department of Health Volunteer Health Care Provider Program targeting persons with household incomes less than 200% of poverty level and without health care coverage. Click here to read additional information about this program. Click here to view video of our new Medical Clinic modular being constructed!

Who we serve: Only low income families involved in agriculture or aquaculture industries are eligible for the housing component. Child care is limited to migrant farm workers. All other social services/educational agencies have specific eligibility requirements.

Our Service Area: East Hillsborough County

Contact us: Socorro Prisco, Resident Manager Telephone: (813) 707-7416

Fax: 813-707-7417

Email: sprisco@ccdosp.org

Mailing Address:

3204 San Diego Lane

Dover, FL 33527

- **Senior Housing (HUD 202)**

14 apartment buildings with 1,055 units for those 62 or older on a low-fixed income throughout Pinellas, Hillsborough, and Pasco counties. HUD 202 Low-Income Senior Service Housing located in Pasco, Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties. As the Management Agent we are responsible for the upkeep of the facilities, hiring and training of staff, working with the owner board, all accounting procedures, and partnering with HUD to create housing and allowing those we serve to age in place with pride and dignity.

Catholic Charities Community Development Corporation manages fourteen (14) of the Diocesan owned HUD 202 facilities with 1,055 rooms. **Contact Us**

Telephone: 727-893-1313, extension 151

Email: mborregowaterman@ccdosp.org

Mailing Address:

905 S. Prospect Ave.

Clearwater, FL 33756

- **Financial Assistance – Hillsborough County**
  - **TECO Utility Assistance**

The TECO Share (click on "Share' to learn more) program is a financial assistance program sponsored by TECO (Tampa Electric). Its goal is to pay basic home energy expenses (electric and gas) for customers who qualify. The assistance provides up to $450 to cover past due energy bills.

Apply here: https://ccdosp.jotform.com/form/202903751738155

- For more information or questions about available financial assistance programs, contact us here: https://ccdosp.jotform.com/form/202113795121142. Your message will be

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forwarded to the first available Case Manager. You may also call (813) 631-4370 extension 215 (or leave message at the prompt for Financial Assistance).

- **Catholic Charities FREE Medical Clinics What We Do:**
- We work with volunteer medical professionals (physicians, nurses and other health and social service professionals) to provide FREE medical care, health promotion, and social services to the rural poor of eastern and southern Hillsborough County, and eastern Pasco County. Our clinics operate under the auspices of the State of Florida Department of Health Volunteer Health Care Provider Program targeting low-income households in need of healthcare coverage.

Who We Serve:

- We provide FREE services to patients who are unable to receive medical services because they are not covered by employer-provided or self-purchased insurance or other programs AND whose household income is below 200% of the Federal poverty level.

Services *

* Primary Medical Care: follow-up & referrals * Acute Medical Care: secondary treatment for short-term illness * Routine Well Woman Exams: Gynecology Exams * Lab Work * Assist Patients Navigate Health Care System * Children's Physicals and Immunizations * Health Promotion and Disease Prevention * Health Screenings: high blood pressure & diabetes * Vision Screening * Dental referrals

* Not all services are available at each location, please call to confirm.

Contact Information

- Key Contact: Karen Pena, Clinic Administrator
- Telephone: Office: (813) 633-2576 Cell: (727) 338-8916
- Fax: (813) 970-0645
- Mailing Address:

Catholic Charities Free Medical Clinic – La Esperanza 16640 S. U.S. Hwy. 301, Ste. 1, Wimauma, FL 33598

Hillsborough County Clinics:

- **San Jose Mission Free Medical Clinic**

13571 San Juan Diego Way, Dover, FL 33527 | (813) 707-7376

- **La Esperanza Free Medical Clinic**

16640 S US Hwy 301, Ste 1, Wimauma, FL 33598 | (813) 633-2576

- **Mental Health Services**

Need someone to talk to or to just listen? We are here for you!

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg has skilled counselors available to provide tools to assist with the stressors of everyday life. Our counselors are prepared to provide you with the support needed to overcome various life changes.

Our Free Services:

- Free Counseling (In-Person Sessions & Telehealth Sessions)
  - Coping Skills
    - Goal Setting

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- Flexible Schedules

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- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

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3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

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GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

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- **Onsite Food Pantry**

Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Manna on Wheels

Address	2217 Bogaert Rd., Dover, FL. 33527
Phone	(813) 767-5708
Website	https://www.mannaonwheels.org/

Manna on Wheels serves the homeless, families in need of a "hand up" through our food box ministry. Children's Homes, Adult Special Needs homes, disaster relief and oversea missions benefit from what we have been given.

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Contact Us

Buddy Bass

Salvation Army – South Hillsborough County Corps

Address	7409 US-301, #200, Riverview, FL 33578 Phone: 813-672-8139
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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Food Pantry**
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Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While

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Salvation Army – Tampa Area Command

Address	1603 N Florida Ave, Tampa, FL 33602
Phone	Phone: (813) 226-0055
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usa-southern-territory/florida/tampa-area-command/

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- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

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Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

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- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
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Salvation Army – Tampa Corps

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Phone	Phone: 813-549-5285
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usa-southern-territory/florida/tampa-area-command/

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Hillsborough County, FL

Address	12310 N Nebraska Ave, Tampa, FL 33612
Phone	Phone: (813) 876-5841 or (813) 434-0201
Website	http://svdptampa.org/
Email	info@svdpctk.org

We are all about serving our neighbors in need, regardless of race or religious affiliation. When difficult situations arise - a lost job, an illness or unexpected expense - the most basic necessities like food, shelter, medicine, clothing, and transportation can become impossible to afford. Each day there are heartbreaking circumstances right here in our own community, but practical, person-to-person care offered in a respectful and loving way can make a world of difference.

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At St Vincent de Paul, we ease an individual or family's initial emergency, then shepherd them into programs that can bring lasting change. Donations made locally are used and distributed throughout Hillsborough County neighborhoods.

How We Help:

http://svdptampa.org/conferences.htm

Financial support services to those in need are administered by church conferences according to geographic parish boundaries. For assistance, please call direct to the SVdP church conference serving your zip code. For zip codes without coverage, please call the community assistance help line at 211 or the SVdP referral line at 813-971-7685.

How do we find those in need?

Calls are received directly or by referrals from friends, parishioners, and Social Service Agencies.

The names and circumstances are kept in strictest confidence.

Church Conferences

SVDP Parish Conferences provide financial assistance for rent, utilities, food, medicine, clothing and other necessities to those in need.

Food Pantries

Food is provided to those in need by volunteer staff.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society provides emergency food to those in need through its food pantries located throughout Hillsborough County.

West Hillsborough Church Conferences and Food Pantries

SVdP Nebraska Avenue (Main) Food Pantry

Website: http://svdptampa.org/f_pantries.htm

Food Pantry Hours: Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays; 8:00-10:00am

Christ the King Conference

821 S Dale Mabry Hwy

Tampa, FL, United States

Fax: (813) 873-2426

Email: info@svdpctk.org

Website: https://svdpctk.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33609, 33629

Corpus Christi Conference and Food Pantry

9715 N 56th St

Temple Terrace, FL 33617

Phone: (813) 899-4603 or (813) 988-1593 or (813) 490-8421

Fax: (813) 985-3583

Website: http://www.spiritualhome.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33617, 33637

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Food Pantry Hours: Saturdays, 9-11 AM

Sacred Heart Conference

509 N. Florida Ave

Tampa, FL 33602

Phone: (813) 229-1595

Fax: (813) 221-2350

Website: https://sacredheartfla.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33602, 33603, 33606

St. Joseph Conference and Food Pantry

3012 W Cherry St

Tampa, FL 33607

Phone: (813) 877-5729

Website: https://stjosephchurchtampa.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33607

Food Pantry Hours: 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month; 10-11:00am

Offers Assistance in English and Spanish

St. Mark Conference and Food Pantry

1924 Cross Creek Blvd

Tampa, FL 33647

Phone: (813) 907-7746

Fax: (813) 907-7556

Website: http://www.stmarktampa.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33647, 33543, 33613 (North Bearss/B.B. Downs)

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, 3:00 - 6:00pm

St. Mary Conference and Food Pantry

15520 N Blvd

Tampa, FL 33613

Phone: (813) 961-1061

Fax: (813) 961-3782

Website: https://stmarytampa.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33613,33548,33549,33559 (West of I-275 & B.B. Downs)

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, 10:00 – noon

St. Patrick Conference and Food Pantry

4518 S Manhattan Ave

Tampa, FL 33611

Phone: (813) 839-5337

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Fax: (813) 831-2778

Website: http://stpatrickparish.catholicweb.com/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33611, 33616

Food Pantry Hours: By Appointment Only; Call 813-839-5337 x174

St. Paul Conference and Food Pantry

12708 N Dale Mabry Hwy

Tampa, FL 33618

Phone: (813) 961-3023 or (813) 264-3325

Fax: (813) 962-8780

Website: https://stpaulchurch.com/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33618, 33624 (South of Erlich Rd.)

Food Pantry Hours: Mondays & Thursdays, 9:00 - noon

St. Peter Claver Conference and Food Pantry

1203 N Nebraska Ave

Tampa, FL 33602

Phone: (813) 223-7098 or (813) 530-6534

Fax: (813) 223-6520

Website: https://spclavertampa.wixsite.com/spcchurch

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33605, 33610

Food Pantry Hours: 2nd & 4th Saturdays of the Month; 8:00 - 9:30am

St. Timothy Conference

17512 Lakeshore Road

Lutz FL, 33558

Phone: (813) 968-1077 x261

Fax: (813) 961-9429

Website: https://sainttims.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33618, 33624, 33625, 33556, 33558 (North of Erlich and South of Co. Line Rd.)

St. Lawrence Parish Conference

5221 N Himes Ave. Tampa, FL 33614 5225 N Himes Ave., Tampa, FL 33614 Phone: (813) 875-4040 Fax: (813) 876-0491 Website: https://stlawrence.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33614

East Hillsborough Church Conferences and Food Pantries

Prince of Peace Conference

702 Valley Forge Blvd.

Sun City Center, FL 33573

Phone: (813) 634-2328

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Fax: (813) 633-6670

Website: http://www.popcc.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33503, 33571, 33573, 33598

Food distribution address for The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Hillsborough County, FL - East Hillsborough - Prince of Peace Parish Conference: Our Lady of Quadalupe 16650 Hwy 301 South Wimauma, Florida 33598

St. Anne Conference and Food Pantry

106 11th Ave NE

Ruskin, FL 33570

Phone: (813) 645-0304 or (813) 645-1714

Fax: (813) 645-5570

Website: http://www.saintanneruskin.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33570, 33572

Food Pantry Hours: Wednesdays, 9:00 – noon

Our Lady of Guadalupe Food Pantry

16650 Hwy 301 South

Wimauma, FL 33598

Phone: (813) 634-2328 (Prince of Peace Conference)

Fax: (813) 633-6670 (Prince of Peace Conference)

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33503, 33571, 33573, 33598

Food Pantry Hours: Saturdays, 9:00 - noon

Nativity Food Pantry

705 E Brandon Blvd

Brandon, FL 33511

Phone: (813) 376-8901

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33594, 33596, 33510, 33511

Food Pantry Hours: Thursdays, 1-2:00PM

St. Stephen Conference and Food Pantry

5049 Bell Shoals Rd

Valrico, FL 33596

Phone: (813) 689-4900 or (813) 325-6440

Fax: (813) 689-7492

Website: http://www.ststephencatholic.org/

ZIP Codes/Areas Served: 33511, 33534, 33547, 33569, 33594, 33596

Food Pantry Hours: Fridays, 10:30-12:30

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Holmes County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Panama City Office

Address	3128 East 11th St., Panama City, FL 32401
Phone	Phone: 850-763-0475
Counties served	Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Washington

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Feeding the Gulf Coast

Website	https://www.feedingthegulfcoast.org/
Counties served	Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington

Feeding the Gulf Coast assists families and individuals along the central Gulf Coast in many ways. More than 400 community partners are ready to provide groceries and meals to those struggling to afford food. In Florida, Feeding the Gulf Coast serves Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, and Bay Counties.

Child Nutrition Programs

- **The Backpack Program**

The Backpack Program, which began in 2004, meets the needs of chronically hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and breaks when school meals are unavailable. The Backpack Program is located at schools with a high incidence of children in need. Each backpack provides children with six meals and two snacks.

- **The School Pantry Program**

Similar to the Backpack Program, the School Pantry Program provides students with nutritious, nonperishable, and easily consumed food and other necessities. The program allows children dignity, privacy, and comfort in selecting food and other items that the student and their family need. Teachers, counselors, and school nurses identify students based on their level of need and as they demonstrate signs of hunger in the classroom. Students can visit the school pantry weekly to select nutritious, easy-to-prepare food and toiletries for personal use.

- **The Afterschool Meals Program**

The Afterschool Meals Program provides free meals and snacks to children through a variety of community locations—such as Boys and Girls Clubs, churches or public schools. This program is funded through the federal Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP). The children who attend these programs receive free meals that meet federal guidelines for nutrition.

- **The Summer Meals Program**

Similar to the Afterschool Meals Program, Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Summer Meals Program to ensure children in our region have access to free, nutritious meals during the summer when school is out for the summer along the central Gulf Coast. Sites in this program serve two meals daily (breakfast, lunch, or snacks) to children in their community. This program is funded through the federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Food Rescue Programs

- **Store Donation Program**

The Store Donation Program provides the food bank and its agencies with various fresh products, including produce, dairy, meat, and bread, by connecting the food bank with local retail grocery stores. Through the program, stores donate their wholesome but unsaleable food to the food bank. In some areas, Feeding the Gulf Coast trains and certifies select agencies to pick up food directly from these stores and distribute the donations to their clients through their feeding programs. Not only does this get food into the hands of those in

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need faster, but it also enables the food bank to use resources like trucks, employees, and monetary donations in other places. Feeding the Gulf Coast and select agencies pick up from approximately 250 stores each week, collecting nearly 1.25 million pounds of food every month.

Food Distribution Programs

- **Senior Boxes**

Nearly 5 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. After a lifetime of hard work, 63% of the households with older adults (50+) find themselves facing an impossible choice — to buy groceries or medical care. And as the baby-boom generation ages, the number of seniors facing hunger is only expected to increase.

Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP, Senior Boxes) in select Alabama and Florida counties. This program provides food to seniors in need by giving USDA-donated foods to eligible participants through a monthly food package. Seniors must be 60 years of age or older and have a household income at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Senior Boxes Improve Health

CSFP helps to combat the poor health conditions often found in food-insecure seniors. According to research*, food-insecure seniors (60+) are significantly more likely to intake lower amounts of essential vitamins, to be in poor or fair health, and to have physical limitations. Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk for:

- Increased disability
- Decreased resistance to infections
- Deteriorating mental health
- Lengthening of hospital stays
- Diabetes
- **Mobile Pantry Program**

The Mobile Pantry Program directly serves clients in areas of high need to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area. Through a mobile pantry, a truckload of food is distributed to clients in a single-day allowing us to provide a family with enough food for a week for just $10. Each mobile pantry distributes a variety of product include protein, canned or fresh produce, dairy, and grains.

Produce Drop

A produce drop distributes thousands of pounds of fresh produce to communities in need. Food deserts are areas with little access to fresh produce, or the price of fruits and vegetables is too much for families in need to afford. This single-day distribution helps eliminate the need for food to be stored at a local pantry and gets the product into the client's hands quicker.

Community Health & Nutrition

- **Nourishing Our Communities**

For people facing food insecurity, the challenge of adequate diet and nutrition, doctor visits, and medication is often unmanageable, creating a cycle of tough choices that results in otherwise manageable diseases becoming a health crisis. Feeding the Gulf Coast recognizes the parallel union proper nutrition has in combating the impacts of food insecurity on health.

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We believe no one should be without the food they need for a better life. As part of our work to address this, Feeding the Gulf Coast has established a Community Health and Nutrition department to ensure every community has access to a balanced, nutritious diet.

- **Healthcare Partnerships:** By working with healthcare providers to address food insecurity as a social determinant of health, these partnerships will expand and grow our current “Food as Medicine” initiatives seeking to improve health outcomes by increasing access to nutritious food and education.
- **Nutrition Education Classes:** These science-backed classes create an avenue of attainable steps that clients can use to inform their choices regarding diet and meal planning. Our nutrition specialists provide in-person nutrition education classes, indirect education activities, and other nutrition nudges to help families better understand the vital role nutrition plays in their health outcomes. **View online classes here.**
- **Mobile Market (Millie):**By bringing nutritious food directly to areas with limited grocery options, Millie the Mobile Market helps ensure more individuals and families can access the healthy food they need to thrive. **Find Millie here.**

Disaster Response

- **When Disaster Strikes**

The food bank swiftly shifts into disaster relief mode when a storm impacts our community while maintaining food assistance and support across the unaffected parts of our service area. Following the storm, we work with our food pantries and meal programs to begin response and recovery efforts. We continue providing relief long after other recovery efforts have ended. We coordinate efforts with local government officials, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and the American Red Cross to ensure unduplicated, efficient and timely relief.

PANHANDLE BRANCH

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Milton, FL 32583

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Indian River County

Salvation Army – Vero Beach Corps

Address	2655 5th St SW, Vero Beach, FL 32962
Phone	Phone: (772) 978-0265
Website	https://verobeach.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal

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food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

St. Vincent de Paul Society of Indian River County

Address	1745 14th Ave, Vero Beach, FL 32960
Phone	Phone: (772) 567-6774 For an appointment, call (772) 567-6774 and press option 1.
Website	https://svdpvero.org/
Email	hello@svdpvero.org

Website: https://svdpvero.org/

Email: hello@svdpvero.org

Client Outreach

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is dedicated to feeding, clothing, housing, and healing individuals and families in our community who have nowhere else to turn for help. As important, SVDP provides meaningful opportunities for volunteers to serve their neighbors in need with love and compassion.

Outreach services are provided to neighbors in need who live in Vero Beach (South of 45th St).

The Outreach Center is open Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 9:00 am-12:00 pm.

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Social Services

Some of Saint Vincent de Paul Society of Indian River County Outreach Services Include:

St. Vincent de Paul Society of Indian River County is comprised of more than 100 volunteers who have served more than one million families and individuals living in Vero Beach, Florida since 1958, and offers services at no cost to people in need:

- Clothing and food
- Assistance with water and FPL charges (utility bills)
- Assistance with disaster recovery
- Family counseling
- Voice of the Poor advocacy
- Visits to nursing homes and hospitals
- Services and referrals as needed.

SOCIAL SERVICES:

A Florida photo ID and verification of household members are required for the following:

- **Clothing Vouchers:** Vouchers are based on need. Neighbors may receive one voucher to St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Shop. You must apply in person.
- **Furniture Vouchers:** Vouchers are based on need. You must apply in person.
- **Utility Assistance:** Neighbors can apply for assistance, in person, for help with utility bills. You will need to provide your current utility bill and a photo ID. Assistance is based on need.
- **Personal Care items are supplied based on need.** Qualifying residents from the Vero Beach area are eligible to receive services. You will need to show specific documents to determine your eligibility. We will tell you what is required when you meet with one of our counselors in private. A list of other charitable organizations in the community is available at SVDP.

VNA HEALTH SERVICES:

The VNA Bus comes every Wednesday 9-5 pm. It will be parked at 1755 14th Ave, next door to the thrift shop. The VNA representative does complimentary screening to include blood pressure, pulse, and blood sugar for diabetics. Once the schedule is finalized, details will be available here.

OTHER SERVICES:

Additional products, such as sleeping bags, backpacks, and hygiene bags, may also be available to the homeless as donations or funding allow. When available, they are provided to those in need – free of charge.

Treasure Coast Food Bank

Website	https://stophunger.org/food-finder/
Email	orderahead@tcfoodbank.org, info@tcfoodbank.org
Counties served	Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, St. Lucie

Treasure Coast Food Bank supports a network of emergency food assistance programs in Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. If you are in need of food, please

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contact one of our listed agency partners. For further assistance, contact the Treasure Coast Food Bank Partner Relations Department at 772-489-3034 between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You will be directed to the nearest emergency food provider in your area.

For a list of partner emergency food assistance programs sorted by distance from your location, visit https://stophunger.org/food-finder/.

Please register for Emergency Food Assistance here: https://stophunger.org/find-support/. We will review all requests for help. A Benefits Outreach Specialist will contact you. Thank you.

OrderAhead

Concerned your groceries won't make it through the end of the month? OrderAhead is a fast, private & easy way to order free groceries online.

Getting Started

Getting the help you need has never been easier. In three easy steps, you'll be on your way to securing nutritious food for you and your family.

Download PDF Instructions: https://stophunger.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Order-ahead-treasurecoast-food-bank.pdf

STEP 1: SELECT

- Click here to place your order now: https://www.orderahead.org/
- You will be redirected to OrderAhead's website.
- Visit orderahead.org and select your pickup date and location. Use zip code 34947 to find location.
- Before you order…Remember that OrderAhead customers are limited to two orders per month. Please visit our agency locator if you are seeking additional assistance.

STEP 2: CHOOSE

- Shop online and choose from a changing selection of groceries.

STEP 3: CLAIM

- Register or login, check out, and visit the pick-up site to claim your groceries.

Have more questions about OrderAhead?

We're here to help. For questions about how OrderAhead works, feel free to contact our director of client services, Sherry Siegfried **orderahead@tcfoodbank.org**

Market Fresh on the Move

Market Fresh on the Move is a fully self-contained "roving grocery store on wheels" deployed across identified food desert micro-neighborhoods across Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin and Okeechobee counties, offering convenient access to healthy, fresh food options for food insecure households on the Treasure Coast.

By utilizing data to strategically target know-food deserts, and to identify gaps in existing services and food access points, Market Fresh on the Move is an innovative solution working directly to address hunger on the frontlines across the Treasure Coast.

Stocked like a grocery store, Market Fresh on the Move provides first-quality food products including fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy, eggs, and meat, as well as a variety of dry and

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canned products. The program accepts cash, credit, or SNAP EBT cards for payment and offers many specials helping neighbors' dollars go further.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/marketfresh/

Health & Nutrition Outreach

Through a number of collaborative partnerships, TCFB provides direct food assistance, nutrition education, health management, and medical prescreening for chronic illnesses. We manage a Diabetes Awareness Program assisting clients with management of their condition through diet and education.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education Program

In partnership with Florida Nutrition Ed, Treasure Coast Food Bank offers nutrition education classes to help SNAP-eligible Florida residents incorporate more nutritious foods into their diet, adopt an active lifestyle, and improve their quality of life. The program provides free nutrition education classes in St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee counties.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

Programs for Kids

Treasure Coast Food Bank offers a variety of programs year-round for children at risk of food insecurity at partnering schools and community centers.

- **School Pantry Program** – Provides a variety of shelf-stable food directly to children and families in need. This is a progression of the Backpack Program by serving the whole family, rather than just one child.
- **Summer Meals Program** – Ensures that children in low- income areas receive nutritious meals during the summer months when they do not have access to free or reduced meals through their school's free or reduced meal program. Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/summer-meals-program/
- **After School Meals Program** – A nationally sponsored partnership program to provide free, nutritious meals and snacks to low-income children through a variety of community locations where children already congregate in safe, after-school environments.
- **Happy Baby Diaper Bank** – Provides diapers and other essential items for babies and toddlers to families in need through a collaborative partnership with organizations serving parents and infants in Southeast Florida.
- **Teen Pantry Program** – Impacts the lives of young adults by providing personal hygiene items to middle through high school aged adolescents, as well as appetite fulfilling breakfast and snack items.
- **Farm 2 School** – Through a partnership with the St. Lucie County School District, Treasure Coast Food Bank stores and transports farm-fresh offerings to all St. Lucie County students in each of St. Lucie County's 42 public schools.
- **BackPack Program** – Provides children from low-income families with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and holidays when they don't have access to free and reduced lunch at school.

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Programs for Seniors

Treasure Coast Food Bank programs focus on the improvement of our older neighbors' overall health and nutritional well-being.

- **Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)** – This program aims to improve the health and nutritional well-being of elderly individuals, 60 years and older, who are vulnerable to malnutrition and are income eligible.
- **Healthy Options Program for the Elderly (H.O.P.E.)** – Working with community partners such as public housing, senior centers, and medical clinics, this program provides 30+ pound boxes of shelf-stable food as a supplement to our senior population.
- **Senior Mobile Pantry Program** – Weekly community distributions throughout the Treasure Coast providing 60+ pounds of nutritious food and other essentials to seniors.
- **Veterans' Outreach** – This initiative targets homeless veterans in our four-county area by providing them with boxes packed at our Distribution Center. In those boxes are nutritious food items suitable for outdoor living as well as sunscreen, shampoo, and conditioner.

Job Training Programs

Treasure Coast Food Bank's job training programs support self-sufficiency, address the root causes of hunger, and provide job readiness opportunities for unemployed or underemployed individuals interested in entering growing career fields.

We actively offer programs in culinary training, supply chain management, CDL certifications, hospitality, and barista training.

All programs include life skills training and professional preparedness training, which encompass resume writing, interview skills, and soft skills training alongside industry standardized courses.

Eligible individuals who qualify can attend our courses free of charge.

See available programs and learn more: https://stophunger.org/umbrella/job-training-programs/

Benefits Outreach Program

Our Benefits Outreach team reaches out to eligible low-income people who are not currently participating in SNAP, Medicaid, Florida Kid Care, and TANF and shares information about the benefits of the program to help them make an informed participation decision. The program also includes nutrition education, health & wellness workshops, economic mobility presentations, senior programs, child nutrition programs, and more. It provides individuals and families with the tools they need to achieve independence, health, and financial stability and is available in English, Spanish, and Creole.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

Whole Child Connection Program

Whole Child Connection is designed to provide a simple, straight-forward way to connect local families with the help that they need. It is available to all Martin County children and their families, ensuring anonymity while giving them access to a wide range of community services. The goal is to help families lead a healthier, more fulfilling life.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/whole-child-connection/

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Contact Treasure Coast Food Bank

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Fax: 772.489.5673

Email: info@tcfoodbank.org

Website: https://stophunger.org/

United Against Poverty

Website	https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/
Counties served	Indian River, St. Lucie

https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/ United Against Poverty is a registered 501c3 nonprofit with campuses in Indian River County, Orlando, and St. Lucie County Florida. Our mission is to serve those in poverty by providing crisis care, case management, transformative education, food and household subsidy, employment training and active referrals to other collaborative social service providers.

Emergency Food assistance

Our Member Share Grocery Program is a dignified food and household assistance program that allows members to select the nutritious food items they choose.

Here's how it works:

Qualified Families who are living in the 200% or below Federal Poverty Level must fill out an application. Upon qualification, they receive a free Member Card. Once they are given a card, they can select any food or household product they may need for their households. This provides the basic needs, the variety and the nutritious food needed for them and their families. Our Program Members contribute a nominal handling fee per item, to cover costs of picking up donations. This contribution gives them dignity and empowerment to engage in the life changing transformational programs we offer at UP. Any proceeds from those contributions are directed back into the support of facilitating our life changing programs.

Member Share Grocery Program Hours of Operation

Monday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Tuesday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Thursday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Sunday: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Qualified members can save up to 70% of their household food and product budget.

Membership is free. *Check below to see if your household qualifies to be part of this nonprofit grocery program.

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Household Size Annual Household Income At/Below

1 $27,180

2 $36,620

3 $46,060

4 $55,500

*For households with more than 4 people, add $8,960 for each additional person.

English Form: https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/campus/st-lucie/

Spanish Form: https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/campus/st-lucie/

Contact

UP St. Lucie
2520 Orange Avenue
Fort Pierce, FL 34947
772-468-8543

UP Orlando
150 W Michigan St
Orlando, FL 32806
(407) 650-0774

UP Indian River (North)
1400 27th Street
Vero Beach, FL 32960
772-564-9365

UP Indian River (South)
1050 Old Dixie Highway SW
Vero Beach, FL 32962
772-564-9365

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Jackson County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Panama City Office

Address	3128 East 11th St., Panama City, FL 32401
Phone	Phone: 850-763-0475
Counties served	Bay, Calhoun, Gulf, Holmes, Jackson, Washington

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

Website	https://fightinghunger.org/
Email	melissa@fightinghunger.org
Counties served	Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

Second Harvest is a nonprofit food bank that collects and distributes food to hunger-relief charities, and also through specialized programs and mobile food distributions undertaken with community partners. We are dedicated to reducing hunger and malnutrition, and we function as the warehouse for millions of pounds of food and other essential products that go out to the community. We are a member of Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic food relief organization, and one of three Feeding America food banks in Florida designated for disaster/crisis response.

Our Feeding America service area is 9,000 square miles and includes 11 counties: Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla.

Additionally, under contract with other north Florida food banks, we serve five more counties: Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwanee.

The food bank operates from a 41,000-square-foot facility located in Tallahassee, FL. The facility includes seven shipping docks, 12,000 square feet of freezer and cooler space, and a fleet of 13 vehicles including box trucks, tractors, trailers, two Sprinter vans

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
  - Second Harvest of the Big Bend is a member of the Feeding America network, which is the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization, comprising 200 food banks throughout the country.
  - Food collected by Second Harvest food bank is distributed through our network of 135 partner agencies, including other nonprofit charities and faith-based organizations. These range from soup kitchens that serve daily, to food pantries that distribute food weekly, and to residential programs for the homeless.
  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
  - Seniors are served at participating Second Harvest Partner Agencies in Gulf, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties.
  - All seniors 60 or older qualify for our Senior Grocery Program. Eligible seniors can enroll at one of the 14 participating distribution sites listed below.
    - Innovative Charities
    - Jackson County

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- Elder Care Services
- Jackson County
- Jefferson County Senior Center
- Jefferson County
- Flipper Chapel AME Church
- Leon County
- Georgia Bell Dickenson
- Leon County
- Liberty County Senior Center
- Liberty County
- Faith Baptist Church
- Madison County
- Good News Outreach
- Leon County
- Big Bend Cares-CarePoint Leon County
- Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement
- Leon County
- Fellowship Baptist Church
- Taylor County
- Pioneer Bay
- Gulf County
- Lee Community Complex
- Hamilton County
- IFAS Community Center
- Lafayette County

For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

850-562-3033 (ext. 212)

- **Child Nutrition Programs**

Backpack Program

- Our Backpack Program provides children with a bag of food each Friday to ensure their nutritional needs are met over the weekend. Each food bag includes six components: milk, protein, ready-to-eat, fruit, vegetable and grain, and fits into a child's backpack.
  - The program provides 4,500 bags of food every week to children in Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties, serving children who rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their meals.
  - For the 2020/2021 school year, we distributed 125,000 backpacks, or 750,000 meals, through our backpack program.

Kid's Cafe Program

- The Kid's Cafe Program helps feed Leon County children after school at community centers and churches during the school months of August through June. This program

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helps bridge the gap for children who receive most of their meals from school and may not have a nutritious dinner when they go home.
    - During the 2020/2021 school year, we have seven parks and recreation center distribution sites.
    - Additionally, our **“Food on the Move Afterschool” program** delivers free food for kids in Leon County at designated underserved neighborhoods throughout the school year.

Summer BreakSpot Program

- The Summer BreakSpot Program provides kids a free, nutritious meal and snack at sponsored sites during the summer months, ensuring children have a stable source of food for their nourishment and growth when school is out.
    - Our 2022 Summer Feeding Program includes eight Summer BreakSpot locations in Leon and Madison counties, providing free breakfast, lunch and/or supper to kids 18 and under.
    - Find a Summer Feeding site near you anywhere in the State of Florida: https://www.fna.usda.gov/sfsp
    - If you are interested in becoming a Summer Food Service Program site, please complete the online registration: https://forms.office.com/r/t5rPhsrrtr

Food on the Move

- The Food on the Move program helps bridge the gap during summer months for kids who rely on school for most of their meals. Second Harvest’s “Food on the Move” van is delivering free food to kids 18 and under at nine Tallahassee locations, Monday-Friday, June 6-July 29.

School Pantry Program

- The School Pantry Program provides a large bag or box of food to accommodate a family for a few days. Currently this program operates at the following Leon County schools, and FSU:
    - Rickards High School
        - Amos P. Godby High School
        - Augusta Raa Middle School
        - Pineview Elementary School
        - W.T. Moore Elementary School
        - Oak Ridge Elementary School
        - Chaires Elementary School
        - Fairview Middle School
        - Nims Middle School
        - FSU Food for Thought pantry
- **Disaster Relief**
    - Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank serves as one of Feeding America’s three emergency food distribution hubs in Florida. As such, we contribute to the statewide coordination of emergency food and water in response to disasters.
    - As part of the Big Bend COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) which includes the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Operations Center, Volunteer Leon, Big Bend 211 and others, Second Harvest provides food, water and other

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necessities both before and after a crisis or disaster. Second Harvest also works in conjunction with Feeding Florida and its other 11- member food banks to cover disaster situations throughout the entire state of Florida.
    - In our 41,000-square-foot warehouse, we are able to stage supplies for our fellow COAD members to supplement their supply chains. In conjunction with Feeding Florida, Second Harvest also stores disaster relief product for the Florida Department of Emergency Management.
- **Mobile Pantry Program**
    - Mobile pantries are Second Harvest of the Big Bend food distributions funded by grants and donations and conducted jointly with one of our Agency Partners located throughout our 11-county service area, often in a church or nonprofit's parking lot, at an announced date and time.
    - Between 100 and 900 people will typically receive food distributions, including dry goods, fresh produce and frozen meat. All active partners in good standing are eligible to host a mobile pantry.
    - Benefits of Mobile Pantry
        - Besides offering flexibility of delivery, mobile pantries offer a quick and effective way to distribute food and maintain an atmosphere of dignity. A mobile pantry also serves some very specific needs:
        - Targets underserved areas, removing barriers to access and therefore expanding capacity, building community and creating access.
        - Takes food directly to clients in a timely manner allowing a farmer's market-style distribution encouraging greater interaction between volunteers and clients, encouraging everyone to share recipes, family traditions and life experiences.
        - Provides the opportunity for religious and charitable organizations to partner with local governments, businesses, and universities to manage the distribution. A one-time distribution can develop into a long-term partnership to provide necessary services for the needy in the community.

Here's what you can expect when you visit one of our partner pantries:

- You will see signage outside the pantry directing you to the right place
- You will be asked how many people live in your household so we can give you enough food
- You may need to present your ID to show you live within the county
- You may need to fill out a form to self-report your income and how many people live in your home (this only needs to be done once a year)
- You can always expect supportive staff to help get you support when you need it.

If you would like more information about Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank and the services we provide, please use the contact information below.

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Jefferson County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Tallahassee Office

Address	1380 Blountstown Hwy., Tallahassee, FL 32304
Phone	Phone: 850-222-2180
Counties served	Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

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Lafayette County

Catholic Charities Lake City

Address	553 NW Railroad Street, Lake City, FL 32055
Phone	Phone: 386-754-9180
Website	https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/
Email	suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org, Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org
Counties served	Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Suwannee, Union

Fax: 386-754-5325 Email: suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/catholiccharitieslc

Administrative Hours: Monday – Friday, 7:30am to 3:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 22 years, Catholic Charities Lake City has served the local communities of Columbia, Suwannee, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Union counties with charity rooted in compassion. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, disaster relief, and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** Our Emergency Assistance Program is recognized and leads the way as the go to agency for one stop shop! We assist with helping families prior to becoming homeless as well as when they become behind on a potential utility, rent or mortgage payment. In addition, our Stellar Food Pantry is open 5 days a week sunny, rainy, hot, or cold from 7:30am to 11:30am Monday – Friday. We assist all our financial clients with a friendly, experienced case manager to assist with the initial assessment and together working a personalized case plan with his family for self sufficiency – providing referrals and connecting with other agencies as we all partner together for the greater good of our clients. Our service area is vast and wide to the Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Union, and Columbia counties. Four of the five are food deserts, and all five of these counties have NO PUBLIC transportation at all. Please email Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org for more information.
- **FOOD PANTRY: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
  - **Catholic Charities Food Pantry** The Catholic Charities Lake City team has operated a food pantry located at our office for decades. We offer food staples such as:
    - Mac & cheese
    - Canned tuna or canned chicken
    - Juice boxes Peanut butter (no glass)

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        - Rice & dried beans
        - Pasta & spaghetti sauce
        - Dry cereal
        - Canned veggies
        - Canned soups
        - Any Pop-Top foods
        - Low sodium items

We also distribute non-food items such as:

- Diapers (all sizes)
    - Toilet paper
        - Toothpaste (small tubes)
        - Toothbrushes
        - Quart, Gallon size zip lock storage bags
        - 18 qt. trash bags

Please visit our Facebook page for the most up-to-date hours and any changes during the holiday season. For other questions, please contact Suzanne Edwards at Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.com.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

Catholic Charities Lake City

553 NW Railroad Street

Lake City, FL 32055

Monday-Friday 7:30am - 11:30am

Phone: 386-755-5683

- **Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach Program** Our Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach program serves five counties in Florida, none of which have public transportation. We use our refrigerated truck to bring fresh groceries to rural areas where people have no ability to get to our Food Pantry. We provide canned food, fresh produce, dairy, meats, bread, and pastries to those in need. Please look out for Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach announcements, which are posted 2 weeks prior to our events on our Facebook page.
    - **Partner Food Pantries**

If you are struggling with food insecurity, check out our food pantry hours or visit one of our 60 partner locations throughout Columbia, Hamilton, Suwanee, and Union counties.

County	Name	Physical Address	City	Phone Number
Columbia	Bethlehem United Methodist	712 SW Bethlehem Ave	Fort White	386-856-1826
Columbia	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad Street	Lake City	386-754-9180
Columbia	Christian Service Center	421 NW Washington St.	Lake City	386-755-1770
Columbia	Evangel Deliverance Miracle	256 NW Carol Place	Lake City	386-365-8424
Columbia	LuLu Baptist Church	160 SE Gillen Terrace	LuLu	904-703-9567
Columbia	Olivet Missionary Baptist Church	541 NE Davis Avenue	Lake City	386-752-1990
Columbia	Partners of HOPE	217 SW Dyal Avenue	Lake City	386-867-0628
Columbia	Trinity UMC	310 NE Martin Luther King S	Lake City	386-752-3701
Columbia	Word in Power	5888 NW US Highway 41	Lake City	386-984-8607

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Columbia	Young Marines of NCF	464 SW Amiel Ct.	Fort White	386-867-1380
Hamilton	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Hamilton	New Bethel AME Church	604 SW 6th St.	Jasper	386-855-1997
Suwannee	African Baptist Church	502 Walker Ave. SW	Live Oak	386-362-8860
Suwannee	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Suwannee	Evergreen Baptist Church	2509 224th St.	Lake City	386-628-1692
Suwannee	First Baptist Church	401 W. Howard St.	Live Oak	904-412-1811
Suwannee	Mt. Gilead Baptist Church	18305 56th St.	Live Oak	386-209-4252
Suwannee	O'Brien Baptist Church	9544 E CR 349	O'Brien	386-288-3768
Suwannee	Power For Living	22880 SR 247	Lake City	386-365-2862
Suwannee	San Juan Catholic Mission	304 Plant Avenue SE	Branford	386-935-2632
Suwannee	St. Francis Xavier Catholic	928 Howard St. East	Live Oak	386-364-1108
Suwannee	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	1391 11th St. SW	Live Oak	386-362-1837
Suwannee	Wellborn Church of God	3330 E. US Highway 90	Wellborn	386-963-4988
Suwannee	Wellborn United Methodist	12005 CR. 137	Wellborn	386-963-2324
Union	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Union	Old Providence Baptist Church	9316 NW CR 245	Lake Butler	386-755-1648

- **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING LOCAL FAMILIES WITH DONATED GIFTS TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON** The Catholic Charities Lake City team begins planning holiday assistance events for both Thanksgiving & Christmas in late fall. We are blessed that many businesses – as well as all Columbia County public schools and some private schools – participate in canned food drives to support this initiative beginning in early October in conjunction with fall festivals & homecomings. These canned goods are collected, sorted and packaged for families struggling to make ends meet. Our team also places gift cards in each bag for a choice of meat. In 2021, we distributed 550 Thanksgiving baskets and vouchers. In December, our elves work to garner support of our Christmas Angel tree program for families facing hardship. This initiative is also completely privately funded. Applications for these programs will be available on our website (https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/holiday-assistance) and on our Facebook page in October.

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Lake County

Salvation Army – Leesburg Corps

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Phone	Phone: 352-365-0079
Website	http://www.salvationarmyleesburg.com/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including

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specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.

- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
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Youth Services

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Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

Website	https://feedhopenow.org/
Email	info@feedhopenow.org, rthomas@feedhopenow.org
Counties served	Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Volusia

About Us

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida is a partner food bank of Feeding America – the largest charitable domestic hunger-relief organization in the United States. Second Harvest secures and distributes food and grocery products to more than 870 local nonprofit feeding programs in seven Central Florida counties: Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia. With the help of food and financial donors, volunteers and a caring, committed community, the food bank distributes 300,000 meals every day to partner programs such as food pantries, soup kitchens, women's shelters, senior centers, day care centers and Kids Cafes. In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in ‘better than minimum wage’ jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. **Where does the Food Bank get its food?** Food comes to us from farmers, grocery stores, retailers, distributors, wholesale, and other food industry sources. In addition, kind-hearted members of our community hold food drives that bring in tons of food. Click here to learn about how food gets to our facility. **How is the food distributed?** We partner up with more than 870 local emergency food assistance programs to get food to the people who need it the most. **What else does the Food Bank do besides provide food?** In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in ‘better than minimum wage’ jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. Yet another important activity helps connect people who are eligible to receive SNAP food assistance benefits with the resources they need to access the program and get help. **How does the Food Bank help in a natural disaster?** Second Harvest Food Bank plays a vital role in responding to emergencies such as floods, tornadoes and hurricanes throughout the state. As an affiliate of Feeding America, Second Harvest responds to both national and local disasters that take place. **What is the Food Bank's connection with Feeding America?** Second Harvest Food Bank is a partner food bank of Feeding America, a nationwide network of more than 200 food banks that helps feed people across the country. Click here to learn more about this network of food banks.

Food Assistance

How do I get food? If you need immediate assistance, please call us at 407-295-5009. You can also fill out our food assistance form and we will get back to you with a list of feeding programs near you. If you need assistance during the weekends, please call United Way's

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2-1-1. 211 provides free and confidential information and can also help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling and more.

Food Locator: https://feedhopenow.org/find-help/food-finder/

Please call before visiting to make sure that their hours & location has not changed. Por favor asegúrese de llamar antes de visitar para asegurarse que las horas o ubicación no hayan cambiado. **How can I apply for SNAP?** You can apply online for SNAP benefits here. Second Harvest's Benefit Connection team can also help out with SNAP application assistance. Click here to view where our Benefits Connection team will be located in Orange and Brevard County.

Second Harvest Facilities

Main Facility

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 411 Mercy Drive Orlando, FL 32805 Phone: 407-295-1066 Fax: 407-295-5299 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Mercy Kitchen

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3702 Mercy Star Ct. Building 3 Suite 130 Orlando, FL 32808 Phone: 407-514-1002 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Volusia Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 320 North Street Daytona Beach, FL 32114 Phone: 386-257-4499 Fax: 386-257-4134 Contact: Robert Thomas, Volusia Operations Manager Phone: 386-257-4499 Email: rthomas@feedhopenow.org

Brevard Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3125 Skyway Circle Melbourne, FL 32934 Phone: 321-733-1600 Contact: Jorge Ortiz, Brevard Operations Manager Phone: 321-733-1600 Email: jortiz@feedhopenow.org

Marion Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 4045 NE 36th Ave. Ocala, FL 34478 **Mailing Address:** Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida Marion Branch PO Box 699 Ocala, FL 34478 Phone: 352-732-5500 Fax: 352-732-4197 Contact: Peter Del Toro Email: PDelToro@feedhopenow.org

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orlando (Lake County Conferences)

Address	352-589-2603, 218 Ocklawaha Avenue Eustis, FL 32726
Phone	Helpline 407.889.4706 352-589-2603
Website	https://svdporlando.org/need-help%3F

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At a Glance

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established in Central Florida in 1986 and follows a 184-year tradition of charity work based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a Catholic Lay Organization of more than 690,000 men and women throughout the world who

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volunteer to provide person-to-person services to the needy and suffering. Membership in the united States totals approximately 146,000 volunteers within 4,600 U.S. communities.

At St. Vincent de Paul Orlando, our group includes 24 Conferences across nine Central Florida Counties of the Orlando Catholic Diocese. These Conferences represent some 1,932 volunteer members. We proudly exist to help people by providing compassionate and spiritual support services such as:

- Home Visits
- Person-to-person support
- Food
- Medicine
- Job training/locating employment
- Transportation to meet fundamental needs/employment
- Financial assistance for housing and utilities
- Care for the elderly, infirm, and disabled
- Disaster relief
- Emergency financial services
- St. Peter Claver Prison Ministry
- Vincentian Re-Entry Organizing Project
- Access to our four Thrift Stores to obtain basic items of clothing, household goods, and furniture for individuals and families in need

All services are provided with faith-filled principles and care. Our services are provided in the following counties: Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Polk, Lake, Osceola, Volusia, Marion, and Sumter.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Many households are just one missed paycheck from being homeless, or one unexpected emergency from being forced to choose between food and shelter. We are here to help those in need. Below is a list of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences that may be able to help.

Our Lake County St Vincent de Paul conferences are:

ST. MARY OF THE LAKES - EUSTIS

ST. TIMOTHY - LADY LAKE

352-753-1455

1351 Paige Place, Lady Lake, FL 32159

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Lee County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. – Lee, Hendry, and Glades County Administrative Offices

Address	4235 Michigan Avenue Link, Fort Myers, FL 33916
Phone	Phone: 239-334-4007
Email	eduardo.gloria@catholiccharitiesdov.org
Counties served	Glades, Hendry, Lee

Fax: 239-334-3707

Email: eduardo.gloria@catholiccharitiesdov.org

Providing Help. Creating Hope. Serving All.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Venice, Inc. offers a variety of programs in Lee, Hendry, and Glades Counties that provide families and individuals with vital assistance designed to help them find their potential for success and to become more self-sufficient.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Anti-Human-Trafficking Assistance**

Providing victims of human trafficking professional and compassionate services such as intensive case management, mental health counseling, and transitional housing while they integrate into society.

- **Immigration and Citizenship Services**

Assisting immigrants with family reunification and citizenship services.

- **Positive Youth Development Program**

Empowering at-risk elementary students with academic support services through afternoon tutoring with case management during the school year and enrichment day camp during the summer months.

- **Senior Support Coordination Program**

Offering seniors in-home support through coordination of services such as medical, transportation, groceries, and other needs so that they can safely remain in their homes and live independently.

- **Food Pantries**

Feeding the hungry through food pantries in Fort Myers, Bonita Springs, and Clewiston.

- **Direct Assistance of Baby Supplies**

Aiding families experiencing hardship with baby items such as diapers, bottles, toys, clothing, bedding, strollers, and car seats.

- **Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Outreach**

Guiding clients with applications for food stamps, Medicaid, and other assistance from the State of Florida.

- **Disaster Response and Recovery**

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Meeting the needs of the community before, during, and after a disaster.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES DIOCESE OF VENICE, INC. SERVES ALL IN NEED REGARDLESS OF RACE, NATIONALITY, OR CREED.

Harry Chapin Food Bank of Southwest Florida

Website	https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/
Email	childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org, fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org
Counties served	Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, Lee

About Us

The Harry Chapin Food Bank is the largest hunger relief network in Southwest Florida, serving Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee counties.

We rescue, inspect, transport and distribute donated food and other grocery products to more than 150 partner agencies and programs that provide direct services to those in need. They include food pantries, soup kitchens, in-school pantries, mobile pantries, senior programs, homeless shelters, disaster relief agencies and more. The food bank provides food for about 28,000 individuals each week.

Feeding Children

Throughout Southwest Florida, more than 65% of all public-school aged students are eligible for free or reduced lunches.

Schools, education centers and after-school programming centers are a natural fit for food pantries – they provide an easy-to-access location that parents and students feel comfortable in and visit regularly. While some parents might not be able to visit traditional food pantries because of distribution times or location, in most cases our program distributes food at the end of the day when parents are already at the education center to pick up their children. Locating food pantries in schools and education centers means the program is able to connect children and their families with the healthy food they need during the week and weekend.

In-School Pantry Program

Our In-School Pantry Program follows an evidence-based system that alleviates child hunger through food distribution at carefully selected schools. This nationally acclaimed food distribution model, taken by Feeding America, is designed to provide an accessible source of food assistance to students and their families who are hungry. By locating pantries inside schools, students and their families have easier access to food assistance and feel more comfortable acquiring food assistance in this manner due to familiarity with the site locations.

Harry Chapin Food Bank stocks the in-school pantries with shelf-stable foods such as canned vegetables and meat, cereal, dry pasta, boxed macaroni and cheese, soup, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans. In addition, the In-school Pantry Program can be supplemented with fresh produce and frozen meat items when available.

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Harry’s Helpings

Harry’s Helpings is an innovative feeding program that provides supplemental food kits for families at childcare, early childhood education, and after-school programming centers where traditional food pantry distribution models are not feasible due to space constraints, lack of adequate staffing or other barriers.

Harry’s Helpings also offers assistance to the community at community and service centers, special one-time events, and other non-traditional feeding programs. Harry’s Helpings kits are filled with enough nutritious, shelf-stable food for up to 15 meals for a family of four. They may include canned vegetables and canned meat, cereal, dry pastas, boxed macaroni and cheese, soups and stews, peanut butter, jelly, rice and beans.

In addition, Harry’s Helpings can be supplemented with fresh and frozen items in coordination with partner sites and when available.

For more information about these programs, call (239) 334-7007 or email childprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Feeding Families

Feeding families is the core of our mission and represents most of our total food distribution throughout our five-county footprint. Our strategic approach involves navigating the fact that sixty percent of our five-county footprint is a food desert. Our strategies incorporate food safety protocols, innovative food procurement methods and an enormous amount of passion that no one should have to go hungry.

Our Fulfill Mobile Pantry Program directly serves our neighbors who are hungry where people with limited financial resources and transportation may not be able to access food through traditional grocery stores.

Through our Fulfill Mobile Pantries, a truckload of food is transported and distributed in areas of high need to supplement our other hunger-relief programs in our five-county footprint.

Two distribution methods are utilized: a farmer’s market-style distribution where those who are food-insecure can choose to take what they need or a drive-thru distribution model, where families receive a pre-packaged food kit filled with shelf-stable foods that is supplemented with fresh produce and frozen protein when it is available.

Our mobile pantries distribute fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, and other food items.

For more information on the Fulfill Mobile Pantries program, call 239.334-7007 or email fulfill@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience directly serves those who are food insecure in areas of high need. The mobile market is a one-aisle grocery store, designed to provide healthy, fresh food through a **dignified “shopping” experience** for families and individuals in need.

Our mobile market consists of several different items such as fresh produce, canned and dry goods, frozen meat, bread, grains, dairy, and other food items. Through our “Fresh Force” Mobile Grocery Experience, **Harry Chapin Food Bank transports healthy foods to our neighbors at no cost who live in designated “food deserts” and low-income areas.** We are able to eliminate transportation as a barrier to accessing food by bringing the mobile market directly to families who are hungry.

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Feeding Seniors

Senior hunger is a hidden issue in Southwest Florida.

Many seniors on fixed incomes have to make the difficult choice whether to purchase food or buy medicine. Seniors who do not get the nutrition they need are at a higher risk of developing health problems such as diabetes, heart disease and high blood pressure.

Care and Share Senior Feeding Program

The Care and Share Senior Feeding Program supplements the diets of more than 2,200 seniors with low income in Charlotte, Collier and Lee counties with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food.

Eligible seniors aged 55 and over receive kits containing pre-packaged food kits that contain easy-to-prepare meals and shelf-stable fruits, vegetables, proteins, cheeses, and grains. When possible, we supplement the food kits with fresh produce and frozen meat.

Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)

The Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP) is a federal government program that provides nutritious food to eligible seniors 60 years of age or older with low-incomes. Food boxes are distributed once a month at designated sites in Glades and Hendry counties.

For more information on eligibility and enrollment for Care & Share or CSFP, call (239) 334-7007 or email seniorprograms@harrychapinfoodbank.org.

Those in need cannot receive food directly from Harry Chapin Food Bank. To receive food, we encourage those seeking food to visit our website and click on the Food Locator to find a Agency Partner or mobile pantry in their area. You can also call us at 239-334-7007 or dial 211, the United Way 211 information hotline, to find the nearest site.

Locations

Fort Myers Distribution Center 3760 Fowler St. Fort Myers, FL 33901

Collier County Center 3940 Prospect Ave. #101 Naples, FL 34104

Contact Info

Phone: (239) 334-7007 Fax: (239) 337-1399 Email: fighthunger@harrychapinfoodbank.org

Website: https://harrychapinfoodbank.org/find-food/

For a **staff directory**, click here.

Hours of operation

Monday – Friday 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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Salvation Army – Bonita Springs Mission Station

Address	26820 Old 41 Rd, Bonita Springs, FL 34135
Phone	Phone: 239-948-5200
Website	https://fortmyers.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
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Salvation Army – Ft. Myers Corps / Ft. Myers Area Command

Address	10291 McGregor Blvd, Fort Myers, FL 33919
Phone	Phone: 239-278-1551
Website	https://fortmyers.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

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- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of

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resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Resurrection Conference (Lee County Conference)

Website	http://www.svdpthriftcapecoral.org/

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Resurrection Conference 8051 Cypress Lake Dr. Fort Myers, FL 33919 239-600-6749

St Vincent DePaul Society

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (or Vincentians) are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person to person service to individuals in need. Our

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members come from all backgrounds, but all of us are blessed with an awareness that our blessings (time, talent, and treasure) are to be sharing with our brothers and sisters in need.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to those in need on a person to person basis. It is this personalized involvement that makes the work of the Society unique. This aid may take the form of intervention, consultation or often through direct dollar or in-kind service. An essential precept of the Society's work is to provide help while conscientiously maintaining the confidentiality and dignity of those who are served. The Society recognizes that it must assume, also, a role of advocacy for those who are defenseless and voiceless. Some 12,000,000 persons are helped annually by Vincentians in the United States.

St. Vincent de Paul Society is deeply honored to serve God's poor. We are grateful for the kindness shown to us by Msgr. McNamara and the parish staff. SVDP sees families here at Resurrection of Tuesdays and Thursdays. We make home visits as needed.

The needs of the poor are overwhelming! We offer prayer when meeting those in need. We assist with prescriptions, rental assistance, FPL, and water bills. We provide food, diapers, personal care items. Our thrift shop provides clothing and furniture. We work with the homeless to provide temporary shelter to give them a hand up to a better life.

- **Society of St. Vincent De Paul Thrift Store** Visit http://www.svdpthriftcapecoral.org for more information on the organization; on DISCOUNT DAYS for seniors, veterans, and everybody; and more. Phone numbers: 239-573-0217, 239-573-0229.

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL SOCIETY EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

If you are in need of assistance, please call 239-600-6749 for an appointment. Our hours of operation are: Tuesdays and Thursdays by appointment only.

The St Vincent de Paul Society provides emergency assistance to individuals and families in need. Assistance is provided for utility bills, prescription drugs, clothing and other emergency needs as funds are available. Clients are generally eligible for assistance on an as needed basis, following an interview with a SVDP representative (Vincentian). The society also maintains a small food pantry and emergency food is also provided on an as needed basis as long as supplies are available. **Financial Assistance Eligibility** There are eight St. Vincent de Paul Conferences in Lee County. The Church of the Resurrection Conference provides assistance for those who reside within the following boundaries (view a map at https://www.resurrectionch.org/st-vincent-depaul-society):

- Northern Boundary: Cape Coral bridge eastward on College Parkway to US 41: continue north along US 41 to Crystal and then east to Metro Parkway.
- Eastern Boundary: Begin where Cystal intersects with Metro Parkway; follow Metro Parkway south to its imaginary intersect with Alico Road.
- Southern Boundary: Begin where Alico intersects with the imaginary intersect with Metro Parkway then west along Alico Road to the imaginary extension of Bass Road.
- Western Boundary: Cape Coral Bridge south to Griffen Blvd., east to McGregor, north to A&W Bulb Road then south to Gladiolus, east to Bass Road and south on Bass Road to Alico Road.

Food Assistance Eligibility The St. Vincent de Paul Society is staffed 100% by volunteers, your neighbors from within the Church boundaries. We are anxious to assist you with your immediate emergency needs. On some occasions we may be able to refer you to other community agencies if we are unable to provide help. You are encouraged to contact the

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United Way phone number for Lee Country 211. They may be able to refer you to other community agencies who may be able to assist you. **Office Hours** The Society is open Tuesday and Thursday by appointment only for food and/or problem assistance. We are located at the Resurrection Church Parish Center. Please call 239-600-6749 for an appointment. An appointment is necessary. For clients who wish to discuss their needs, our phone number is 239-600-6749. **Documentation Requirements** Clients requesting assistance should have or bring a photo ID and a copy of their current utility bill, drug prescription or other documents that relate to the nature of their request for assistance.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Andrew Conference (Lee County Conference)

Address	2628 Del Prado Blvd. S., Cape Coral, FL 33904
Website	https://www.standrewrcc.org/svdp
Email	capesvdp@gmail.com

St. Andrew Catholic Church

Help Line: 239-772-3543 Website: https://www.standrewrcc.org/svdp

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/SaintVincentdePaulCapeCoralFlorida

Email: capesvdp@gmail.com

HOW CAN I GET HELP?

Any request for assistance begins with a call to our Help Line at (239) 772-3543. If no one is in the office, leave us a message with your name, address, and phone number where we may contact you. For more details regarding our assistance process, click here (https://www.standrewrcc.org/svdp). You can also see a list of our Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) by clicking here (https://www.standrewrcc.org/svdpfaq).

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Todas las solicitudes de asistencia comienzan con una llamada a nuestra Línea de Ayuda al (239) 772-3543.

- Our Help Line and office is staffed by a limited number of volunteer Vincentians, so you may have to leave us a message on our answering service.
  - It is extremely important that when you leave a message to **speak slowly and clearly**, leaving your name, address, phone number, and brief description of the type of assistance you are requesting.
    - We will be unable to call you back if we cannot understand your message
    - Tenemos algunos voluntarios que hablan Español, para que puedas dejar tu mensaje en Español.
- A Vincentian worker will call you back, usually the next business day, and take some preliminary information from you including:
  - Confirming basic information such as name, address, phone number, email address, ID number/type, birthdate, and ethnicity
    - A summary of your household income and expenses
    - A list of all people living in your household along with dates of birth and relationships

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- Utility account information if requesting utility assistance
- A detailed description of what you are requesting and why
- **All of this information is confidential and is protected in our encrypted, digital neighbor database**.

- The Vincentian will then make an appointment with you for a home visit so we can further assess your needs. If, as in the case of the pandemic, a home visit is not possible, all information will be taken over the phone or by meeting outside in your driveway.
- If the Vincentian has enough information to assess your need, he or she will let you know; otherwise, they may have to call you back or visit you later if they need to validate information or contact a utility company on your behalf. **Assistance is granted based on the best judgment of the Vincentian working with you; there is no appeal process and assistance is never guaranteed**.
  - **UTILITIES**: Note that we can only pay past due amounts; how much we can pay—**if any**—depends on your circumstances and on ours. Additionally, **the utility account must be in your name**. We cannot pay past due amounts on third-party accounts. Finally, **we are unable to pay utility deposits**; this is your responsibility.
    - If the Vincentian decides he or she needs additional guidance, they will consult our Conference leadership and get back to you as soon as possible. Same day service is not always possible.

Neighbors requesting assistance are reminded that the St. Vincent de Paul Society provides a **hand-up**, **not** a hand-out. Be prepared to work with the Vincentian in discussing what actions you will take to resolve your situation moving forward.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Francis Xavier - St. Therese Conference (Lee County Conference)

Address	2073 Lafayette Street, Fort Myers, FL 33901
Website	https://stfrancisfm.org/st-vincent-de-paul/
Email	svdpsfxc@gmail.com

239-334-9225

svdpsfxc@gmail.com

OUR MISSION The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a Catholic outreach organization of St. Francis Xavier and St. Therese Catholic Churches. We are an equal opportunity provider whose primary mission is to provide fresh food and financial assistance to needy families. SVDP is located at 2073 Lafayette Street in downtown Fort Myers at the intersection of Lafayette Street and Grand Avenue.

FOOD PANTRY OPERATIONS

Our Food Pantry is open on every Friday from 9:00 a.m. until 11:00 a.m. Clients should park in the grass field east of Grand Avenue. Each client will be given a number to identify their place in the food pantry line.

Handicap service begins at 10:00 a.m. This is a convenience and safety policy as food truck delivery and unloading takes place earlier in the day. Handicap clients receive the same food as everyone else. They are served outside the front of the pantry and are issued a special handicap food card.

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FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Our office is open every Thursday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. for financial assistance. Clients must complete the Client Record Form and provide supporting documents to go through a screening process. Eligible clients must reside within the St. Francis Xavier Parish boundary, west of Ortiz and north of Carrell or within the St. Therese Parish boundary in North Fort Myers. Clients do not have to be members of the parishes.

SVDP expects to handle up to 35 interview screenings each Thursday morning. Screenings are on a first come, first serve basis. We do not provide, deposit, rent, mortgage and out of state transportation assistance. Download and print the Client Record Form: https://uploads.weconnect.com/mce/1c6637a8f2e1f75e06ff9984894d6bd16a3a36a9/Client%20Record%20Form%20V2.2.pdf

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Our Lady of the Light Conference (Lee County Conference)

Address	19680 Cypress View Drive, Fort Myers, Florida 33967
Phone	Phone: (239) 690-6685 Call: 239-690-6685
Website	https://ololsvdp.org/

Our Lady of the Light Conference

Website: https://ololsvdp.org/

Need Help? Contact Us for Assistance

Please read all the information below before calling our office for assistance.

Our office is staffed Monday–Friday between 8:00am and 10:00am. If you are calling while we are helping another client or when we at not in the office, please leave a message:

- Speak slowly and clearly
- Spell your name for us
- Leave your telephone number
- Give us your address and zip code
- Give us a brief description of your situation and your need e.g., food, rent/mortgage, utilities, medications and the approximate dollar value.

You will receive a call back during business hours that day or the next weekday morning.

Our Service Area

The Saint Vincent de Paul Conference at Our Lady of Light Catholic Community provides assistance for people residing in our geographical boundaries:

- Alico Road South to Coconut Road
- Gulf of Mexico East including Estero and San Carlos Park (Excluding Fort Myers Beach)
- Support can be provided to members of Our Lady of Light parish living outside the geographical boundaries of the parish.

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Our Services

- **Food:** Sometimes a family cannot consistently put food on the table. The Food Pantry at Our Lady of Light Conference provides both fresh and non-perishable food and household items to our neighbors in need. Food is available every two weeks.
- **Rent/Mortgage:** We must verify the status of the account prior to providing help. If we can assist you, we make payments directly to the owner/agent only.
  - **For Rental:** You need to provide a copy of a bona fide lease or rental agreement that must contain the following:
    - The name, address and telephone number of the landlord/agent
  - **For Mortgage:** You need to provide the following:
    - The mortgage account number
    - The name, address and telephone number of the owner/agent
- **Utilities (Electric & Water):** For help with your electric and/or water bills, please contact us AFTER your final notice, but BEFORE shutoff. We make payments directly to the utility company. Please note the following:
  - We do not pay deposits for utilities
  - Provide the account number and the name of the account holder
  - We do not normally pay telephone bills. Rare exceptions are made for medical reasons.
- **Prescription Medications:** If you are unable to pay for medically necessary prescriptions, we need the following information:
  - Your name and birthdate
  - The name of the medication
  - The name, address and telephone number of the pharmacy you use
  - Whether you can pick up the prescription or will need it delivered
- **Clothing, Furniture, Other Household Goods:** The Our Lady of Light Conference of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul has implemented a voucher system to allow community members in need to shop at several thrift stores in the local area.
  - **Our Lady of Light Thrift Store** 24600 S. Tamiami Trail Bonita Springs, FL 34134 239-992-1576
  - **Saint Vincent de Paul Thrift Store** 2023 Del Prado Blvd South Cape Coral, FL 33990 239-573-0217
- "**Step Forward" Assistance:** The "Step Forward" Assistance Program has been developed to provide additional assistance to support families/ individuals who seek to improve their current situation and want to move economically forward. It is intended to help provide sustained change to individuals/ families who demonstrate the ability and capacity to stand on their own after additional assistance. Taking specific steps to help improve their current living situation, they move towards a more stable and sustainable living environment and life.

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St. Cecilia’s Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (Lee County Conference)

Website	https://saintcecilias.org/st-vincent-depaul-society/
Hours	Hours: Tuesdays from 1-3 p.m.

St. Cecilia’s Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul 5632 Sunrise Drive Fort Myers, FL 33919 239-936-3635 https://saintcecilias.org/st-vincent-depaul-society/

SVdP at SCCC

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (or Vincentians) are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person to person service to individuals in need. Our Society exist and help those in need by your donations only.

If you are interested in more information or volunteering for St. Cecilia’s Conference of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, please call 239-936-3635 ext. 133 and someone will contact you.

Our Service Center is opened on Mondays and Thursdays from 1 to 2 p.m. If you need assistance, and cannot come in on Mondays or Thursdays, please call 239-936-3635 ext. 133 and someone will return your call to make an appointment.

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Leon County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Tallahassee Office

Address	1380 Blountstown Hwy., Tallahassee, FL 32304
Phone	Phone: 850-222-2180
Counties served	Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

Website	https://fightinghunger.org/
Email	melissa@fightinghunger.org
Counties served	Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

Second Harvest is a nonprofit food bank that collects and distributes food to hunger-relief charities, and also through specialized programs and mobile food distributions undertaken with community partners. We are dedicated to reducing hunger and malnutrition, and we function as the warehouse for millions of pounds of food and other essential products that go out to the community. We are a member of Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic food relief organization, and one of three Feeding America food banks in Florida designated for disaster/crisis response.

Our Feeding America service area is 9,000 square miles and includes 11 counties: Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla.

Additionally, under contract with other north Florida food banks, we serve five more counties: Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwanee.

The food bank operates from a 41,000-square-foot facility located in Tallahassee, FL. The facility includes seven shipping docks, 12,000 square feet of freezer and cooler space, and a fleet of 13 vehicles including box trucks, tractors, trailers, two Sprinter vans

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
  - Second Harvest of the Big Bend is a member of the Feeding America network, which is the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization, comprising 200 food banks throughout the country.
  - Food collected by Second Harvest food bank is distributed through our network of 135 partner agencies, including other nonprofit charities and faith-based organizations. These range from soup kitchens that serve daily, to food pantries that distribute food weekly, and to residential programs for the homeless.
  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
  - Seniors are served at participating Second Harvest Partner Agencies in Gulf, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties.
  - All seniors 60 or older qualify for our Senior Grocery Program. Eligible seniors can enroll at one of the 14 participating distribution sites listed below.
    - Innovative Charities
    - Jackson County

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- Elder Care Services
- Jackson County
- Jefferson County Senior Center
- Jefferson County
- Flipper Chapel AME Church
- Leon County
- Georgia Bell Dickenson
- Leon County
- Liberty County Senior Center
- Liberty County
- Faith Baptist Church
- Madison County
- Good News Outreach
- Leon County
- Big Bend Cares-CarePoint Leon County
- Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement
- Leon County
- Fellowship Baptist Church
- Taylor County
- Pioneer Bay
- Gulf County
- Lee Community Complex
- Hamilton County
- IFAS Community Center
- Lafayette County

For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

850-562-3033 (ext. 212)

- **Child Nutrition Programs**

Backpack Program

- Our Backpack Program provides children with a bag of food each Friday to ensure their nutritional needs are met over the weekend. Each food bag includes six components: milk, protein, ready-to-eat, fruit, vegetable and grain, and fits into a child's backpack.
  - The program provides 4,500 bags of food every week to children in Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties, serving children who rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their meals.
  - For the 2020/2021 school year, we distributed 125,000 backpacks, or 750,000 meals, through our backpack program.

Kid's Cafe Program

- The Kid's Cafe Program helps feed Leon County children after school at community centers and churches during the school months of August through June. This program

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helps bridge the gap for children who receive most of their meals from school and may not have a nutritious dinner when they go home.
    - During the 2020/2021 school year, we have seven parks and recreation center distribution sites.
    - Additionally, our **“Food on the Move Afterschool” program** delivers free food for kids in Leon County at designated underserved neighborhoods throughout the school year.

Summer BreakSpot Program

- The Summer BreakSpot Program provides kids a free, nutritious meal and snack at sponsored sites during the summer months, ensuring children have a stable source of food for their nourishment and growth when school is out.
    - Our 2022 Summer Feeding Program includes eight Summer BreakSpot locations in Leon and Madison counties, providing free breakfast, lunch and/or supper to kids 18 and under.
    - Find a Summer Feeding site near you anywhere in the State of Florida: https://www.fna.usda.gov/sfsp
    - If you are interested in becoming a Summer Food Service Program site, please complete the online registration: https://forms.office.com/r/t5rPhsrrtr

Food on the Move

- The Food on the Move program helps bridge the gap during summer months for kids who rely on school for most of their meals. Second Harvest’s “Food on the Move” van is delivering free food to kids 18 and under at nine Tallahassee locations, Monday-Friday, June 6-July 29.

School Pantry Program

- The School Pantry Program provides a large bag or box of food to accommodate a family for a few days. Currently this program operates at the following Leon County schools, and FSU:
    - Rickards High School
        - Amos P. Godby High School
        - Augusta Raa Middle School
        - Pineview Elementary School
        - W.T. Moore Elementary School
        - Oak Ridge Elementary School
        - Chaires Elementary School
        - Fairview Middle School
        - Nims Middle School
        - FSU Food for Thought pantry
- **Disaster Relief**
    - Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank serves as one of Feeding America’s three emergency food distribution hubs in Florida. As such, we contribute to the statewide coordination of emergency food and water in response to disasters.
    - As part of the Big Bend COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) which includes the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Operations Center, Volunteer Leon, Big Bend 211 and others, Second Harvest provides food, water and other

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necessities both before and after a crisis or disaster. Second Harvest also works in conjunction with Feeding Florida and its other 11- member food banks to cover disaster situations throughout the entire state of Florida.
    - In our 41,000-square-foot warehouse, we are able to stage supplies for our fellow COAD members to supplement their supply chains. In conjunction with Feeding Florida, Second Harvest also stores disaster relief product for the Florida Department of Emergency Management.
- **Mobile Pantry Program**
    - Mobile pantries are Second Harvest of the Big Bend food distributions funded by grants and donations and conducted jointly with one of our Agency Partners located throughout our 11-county service area, often in a church or nonprofit's parking lot, at an announced date and time.
    - Between 100 and 900 people will typically receive food distributions, including dry goods, fresh produce and frozen meat. All active partners in good standing are eligible to host a mobile pantry.
    - Benefits of Mobile Pantry
        - Besides offering flexibility of delivery, mobile pantries offer a quick and effective way to distribute food and maintain an atmosphere of dignity. A mobile pantry also serves some very specific needs:
        - Targets underserved areas, removing barriers to access and therefore expanding capacity, building community and creating access.
        - Takes food directly to clients in a timely manner allowing a farmer's market-style distribution encouraging greater interaction between volunteers and clients, encouraging everyone to share recipes, family traditions and life experiences.
        - Provides the opportunity for religious and charitable organizations to partner with local governments, businesses, and universities to manage the distribution. A one-time distribution can develop into a long-term partnership to provide necessary services for the needy in the community.

Here's what you can expect when you visit one of our partner pantries:

- You will see signage outside the pantry directing you to the right place
- You will be asked how many people live in your household so we can give you enough food
- You may need to present your ID to show you live within the county
- You may need to fill out a form to self-report your income and how many people live in your home (this only needs to be done once a year)
- You can always expect supportive staff to help get you support when you need it.

If you would like more information about Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank and the services we provide, please use the contact information below.

Our Location: 4446 Entrepot Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32310.

Phone: 850-562-3033 Fax: 850-562-6176

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Salvation Army – Tallahassee Corps

Address	2410 Allen Rd, Tallahassee, FL 32312
Phone	Phone: 850-222-0304
Website	https://tallahassee.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Website: https://tallahassee.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.

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- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That’s why The Salvation Army’s annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul District Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee

Address	900 West Tennessee St., Tallahassee, FL 32304
Phone	Phone: (850) 222-9630
Website	https://cocathedral.com/

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Leon County, FL - Co-Cathedral of St. Thomas Moore Conference

Website: https://cocathedral.com/

ABOUT US

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul got its start in Pensacola in 1933. Today the Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee has 6 conferences in Pensacola, 3 conferences in the Niceville and Panama City areas and 2 conferences in Tallahassee. In the spring of 2012, a new youth conference was formed at Pensacola Catholic High School.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to the poor. This aid may take the form of intervention, advocacy, consultation or direct financial aid. A unique feature of the Society of SVDP is its commitment to “home visit” those who ask for our help. By visiting the poor in their homes, we offer a listening ear and friendship. This allows us to ascertain other family needs that a family may not have expressly sought.

St. Vincent can provide social services and emergency aid. This includes clothing and furniture, help with food, prevent homelessness by assisting with paying rent or utility bills, provide free or discounted transportation, and the charity can assist in many other ways. While funds are limited and can fluctuate throughout the year, they take on challenges of all types, and do what they can to help the people of Leon and nearby counties.

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Levy County

Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

Address	1701 NE 9th Street, Gainesville, FL 32609
Phone	Phone: 352-372-0294
Website	https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/
Email	jdixon@ccgnv.org, smiller@ccgnv.org
Counties served	Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, Levy

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Augustine – Catholic Charities Gainesville

Fax: 386-754-5325

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/CatholicCharitiesGainesville Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 4:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 46 years, Catholic Charities Gainesville has served the local communities of Alachua, Bradford, Dixie, Gilchrist, and Levy counties with charitable services. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, poverty reduction and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **BRIDGES TO PROSPERITY: ADDRESSING POVERTY FROM A PERSONAL AND SOCIETAL PERSPECTIVE**
  - The Bridges to Prosperity program is a three-part program that views poverty from a personal and societal perspective. The pillars of the program consist of teaching financial fitness, sharing insight on getting ahead and staying on track, and matching graduates with community allies to work toward their goals.
  - We work with each client individually to create a spending plan and build smart financial habits to help achieve their goals and overcome their obstacles, all while offering education on the cycle of poverty and its impact on communities.
    - **Part 1: Financial Fitness** This four-week course is designed to help people find extra dollars every month to save, create a spending plan, and avoid falling into money and credit traps.
- **Part 2: Getting Ahead in a "Just Getting By" World** This 15-week course digs deeper into the causes of poverty and its impacts on the community and the individual. We work with the client to establish objectives and goals to help them become self-sufficient.
- **Part 3: Community Allies**

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This portion of the program involves matching the graduates up with community Allies to work together toward the goals set out in part 2.

For more information, contact Rev. James Dixon at 352-372-0294, ext. 434 or jdixon@ccgnv.org

- **EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
  - Our Emergency Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Gainesville and surrounding counties. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - Our food pantry currently provides about 850 pounds of food per week, serving more than 1,000 people per month. Families struggling to make ends meet can visit our pantry once per month. We provide food packages nutritionally balanced to meet the needs of each family or individual, including specialized foods for those who have diabetes as well as bags for homeless clients that take into consideration a person's ability to cook.
  - Our agency also offers limited financial assistance to help with rent, mortgages, utilities, and prescriptions. In 2020, we provided more than 809 individuals in need with financial assistance through support from community partners like United Way of North Central Florida.

For more information contact Sabrina Miller smiller@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 438

- **ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESOL): HELPING THOSE LEARNING TO SPEAK ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE**
- Through our English as a Second Language (ESOL) program, we provide learning resources to those who are not native English speakers.
- Our English Language Literacy Program is designed to help anyone who is looking to learn or improve their skills in English comprehension and usage. Our small and personal classroom environment is designed to meet multi-level needs and understanding of the English language. Our twice weekly classes are taught by Certified ESL instructors with over twelve years of experience.

For more information contact Pat Rayos prayos@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 421

- **HOPWA AND ELIGIBILITY: CONNECTING THOSE IN NEED WITH HOUSING ASSISTANCE**
- Catholic Charities Gainesville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
- Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:
- Case Management
- Referrals
- Group Counseling
- Caregiver Services

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For more information or see if you qualify, please contact Susan Frizzell sfrizzell@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, ext. 427

- **RURAL MOBILE OUTREACH: DISTRIBUTING FOOD TO THOSE LIVING IN RURAL AREAS IN OUR FIVE-COUNTY SERVICE AREA**
- Our Rural Mobile Outreach program provides basic necessities to those in rural areas who are struggling. Most often, these are children and the elderly. Without reliable transportation to visit us for assistance, these individuals and families would have no way to get the help they need. Instead, we bring support directly to them, providing food, toiletries, school supplies and more to keep them on their feet.
- The Mobile Outreach Clinic has partnered with Catholic Charities of Gainesville to further extend it's mission and outreach to other communities including Micanopy and Hawthorne through the Rural Mobile Outreach Program. They will be serving these areas on a rotating basis every Tuesday of the month. Please contact them at (352)273-5329 for more information or to schedule an appointment! See https://www.catholiccharitiesgainesville.org/news for schedule details.

For more information, contact John Harris at Jharris@ccgnv.org or 352-372-0294, ext. 435

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack program is a relief program that provides meals to children who don’t have reliable access to food during the weekends and rely on their weekday lunches from school. Our program strives to provide more than 700 children each week with the food they need to stay healthy, happy and successful in the classroom. On average, it costs about $6 to feed a child over the weekend.
- We welcome the community’s support for this program and accept donations of nutritious and kid-friendly food during the school year. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Canned meat: tuna, chicken, vienna sausage
- Canned goods: fruit, ravioli, vegetables, beans, soup, chili w/ beans
- Juice boxes
- Macaroni & cheese
- Pudding & Jell-O packs
- Snack crackers
- Raisins
- Applesauce
- Fruit Chews
- The foods above were recommended by local nutritionists and food pantries as “kid-friendly” nutritious food items that are easy for a child to carry (no glass please). The “Wish list” is provided to help guide your search for food. However, these are ONLY suggestions. We WILL accept other food not included on this list.

For more information contact Courtland Conner at cconner@ccgnv.org 352-372-0294, Ext. 436

- **ADOPTIONS & PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

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- Catholic Charities Gainesville provides services designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, provide care for women and their children, and to assist in the building of families through adoption.
- The program provides multiple services including:
- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child
- Post-legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to the birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are needed
- Adoption education to the community

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (Levy County Conference)

Phone	Phone: (352) 493-9723
Email	matthewbarber1980@gmail.com
Hours	Hours: 10 a.m.-2 p.m. (Thurs.)

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

“No work of Charity is foreign to the Society”, so some Conferences may provide unique, or specialized, services depending on the needs of the community, or the individuals, that the Conference serves. Interaction with other charitable, service, or community organizations may also affect the amount and scope of resources that a Conference is able to provide to those in need.

The St. Augustine Diocesan Council is organized with three geographically oriented District Councils to provide administration and support to the Conferences located in the Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine.

Gainesville District Council (Levy County Conference)

St. John the Evangelist Conference

Matthew W. Barber; Email: matthewbarber1980@gmail.com

4050 NW Hwy 27 Alt S

Chiefland, 32626

Fax: (352) 493-9724

Services: Limited financial assistance and provides limited food, clothing and household items.

Areas served: Parish/Dixie County

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Liberty County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Tallahassee Office

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Manatee County

Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

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Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We're here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

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The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

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For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

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- **Onsite Food Pantry**

Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Salvation Army – Bradenton Corps

Address	1204 Tamiami Trail, Bradenton, FL 34205
Phone	Phone: 941-755-3248
Website	http://www.salvationarmybradenton.com/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services

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provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

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- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

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- **Family Service Programs**

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- **Seasonal Services**
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- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative

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commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.

- **Food Pantry**
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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Ss. Peter and Paul the Apostles Conference – Bradenton, FL (Manatee County Conference)

Phone	If you are in need of these services please call(941)794-1328
Website	https://www.svdp-bradenton.org/
Email	svdpaul7@gmail.com

Ss. Peter and Paul the Apostles Conference 2850 75th Street W. Bradenton, FL 34209 Phone:(941)794-1328 FAX:(941)567-4044 Email: svdpaul7@gmail.com

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Services we provide

UTILITY BILL ASSISTANCE

Every week we pay electric and water companies in Manatee County to keep the service going and sometimes to restore the service. We are able to assist our neighbors by paying utilities bills that are past due on Final Notice or have been shut off.

Saint Vincent de Paul helped over 2700 families last year alone. We believe no one in Manatee County should be without electricity or water. All of this is done with volunteers who put in over 4,000 hours of work each year.

GAS AND TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE

Gas vouchers are given to the clients so they may transport their children to school, themselves to work and/or job interviews, and medical appointments.

FOOD ASSISTANCE

Saint Vincent de Paul provides emergency food bags for those in need. We provide non-perishable food items, toiletries and paper goods which have been donated. We also partner with the Food Bank of Manatee to supplement our non-perishable food items for qualified families. Working through the food bank's Emergency Food Assistance Program we can obtain fresh and frozen item for those we serve.

EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE

The Sophie's Scholarship has been established to assist clients in furthering their education in order to secure a better paying job to become self-sufficient and support their families. This is a newly established program just started this year, it is a work in progress.

SPIRITUAL PARTNERSHIP

As brothers and sisters in Christ we welcome praying and sharing our faith with our neighbors.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Joseph Conference – Bradenton, FL (Manatee County)

Website	https://www.svdp-manatee.org/
Email	stjsvdpaul@gmail.com

St. Joseph Conference 2704 33rd Ave West, Bradenton, FL 34205 Phone: (941) 755-4188 FAX: (941) 753-4443 Email: stjsvdpaul@gmail.com

Our Services

Power and water utility bill payment assistance

This charitable tradition started with our founder Bl. Frederic Ozanam in the early 19th century in Paris. As a student he shared his firewood with a person in need. Last year we helped over 400 families and individuals, our brothers and sisters, with their utility bills. In most cases we were their last resort.

Food assistance through St. Joseph Food Pantry

Last year our sister organization, located in the same building, provided food packages to 21,000 families in need, many of whom were referred by us.

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Prescription drug payment assistance

We provide payment assistance for those who are temporarily unable to cover the cost of an essential prescribed medication.

Halfway House housing assistance

We support individuals with substance abuse issues who are verifiably moving toward rehabilitation and are transitioning back to society.

GED tuition assistance

We provide tuition assistance to support individuals who are committed to advance their education by obtaining a GED diploma.

Referral service

If we are unable to provide assistance in a particular situation we will refer our clients to other agencies with relevant expertise and resources.

SVdP Thrift Store vouchers

We provide SVdP Thrift Store vouchers to support needy families and individuals with furniture, clothing and other items based on availability at the store (1111 8th Ave. W. Bradenton, Fl.)

Gift and debit cards

On a limited basis and in conjunction with other assistance we provide gift cards for gasoline and sundries, and bus passes for those who have no other means of transportation.

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Marion County

Ocala Electric Utility - Utility Bill Assistance

- **Brothers Keeper** of Marion County provides financial assistance with partial payment of rent that can be made due to those eligible. The agency may be able to assists with partial payment of additional expenses as well, such as the OEU (city of Ocala) utility bills. Programs for health care are also offered, as the agency may provides $50 maximum in prescription assistance once every 6 months to those eligible for help. Last, but not least clothing and food can be offered. Call the Ocala Florida agency at (352) 622-3846, or read more Brother's Keeper assistance programs.
- **Salvation Army** of Marion County provides numerous social service programs. Some of the resources offered include utility bill assistance. There is also free or clothing, furniture and household items are for sale from the Thrift Store for those qualified individuals who are needing assistance with obtaining affordable clothing or furniture.

Salvation Army – Ocala Corps

Address	2901 NE 14th St, Ocala, FL 34470
Phone	Phone: 352-629-2004
Website	https://ocala.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

Website	https://feedhopenow.org/
Email	info@feedhopenow.org, rthomas@feedhopenow.org
Counties served	Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Volusia

About Us

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida is a partner food bank of Feeding America – the largest charitable domestic hunger-relief organization in the United States. Second Harvest secures and distributes food and grocery products to more than 870 local nonprofit feeding programs in seven Central Florida counties: Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia. With the help of food and financial donors, volunteers and a caring, committed community, the food bank distributes 300,000 meals every day to partner programs such as food pantries, soup kitchens, women's shelters, senior centers, day care centers and Kids Cafes. In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in 'better than minimum wage' jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. **Where does the Food Bank get its food?** Food comes to us from farmers, grocery stores, retailers, distributors, wholesale, and other food industry sources. In addition, kind-hearted members of our community hold food drives that bring in tons of food. Click here to learn about how food gets to our facility. **How is the food distributed?** We partner up with more than 870 local emergency food assistance programs to get food to the people who need it the most. **What else does the Food Bank do besides provide food?** In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 1 6-week culinary training program are placed in 'better than minimum wage' jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. Yet another important activity helps connect people who are eligible to receive SNAP food assistance benefits with the resources they need to access the program and get help. **How does the Food Bank help in a natural disaster?** Second Harvest Food Bank plays a vital role in responding to emergencies such as floods, tornadoes and hurricanes throughout the state. As an affiliate of Feeding America, Second Harvest responds to both national and local disasters that take place. **What is the Food Bank's connection with Feeding America?** Second Harvest Food Bank is a partner food bank of Feeding America, a nationwide network of more than

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200 food banks that helps feed people across the country. Click here to learn more about this network of food banks.

Food Assistance

How do I get food? If you need immediate assistance, please call us at 407-295-5009. You can also fill out our food assistance form and we will get back to you with a list of feeding programs near you. If you need assistance during the weekends, please call United Way's 2-1-1. 211 provides free and confidential information and can also help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling and more.

Food Locator: https://feedhopenow.org/find-help/food-finder/

Please call before visiting to make sure that their hours & location has not changed. Por favor asegúrese de llamar antes de visitar para asegurarse que las horas o ubicación no hayan cambiado. **How can I apply for SNAP?** You can apply online for SNAP benefits here. Second Harvest's Benefit Connection team can also help out with SNAP application assistance. Click here to view where our Benefits Connection team will be located in Orange and Brevard County.

Second Harvest Facilities

Main Facility

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 411 Mercy Drive Orlando, FL 32805 Phone: 407-295-1066 Fax: 407-295-5299 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Mercy Kitchen

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3702 Mercy Star Ct. Building 3 Suite 130 Orlando, FL 32808 Phone: 407-514-1002 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Volusia Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 320 North Street Daytona Beach, FL 32114 Phone: 386-257-4499 Fax: 386-257-4134 Contact: Robert Thomas, Volusia Operations Manager Phone: 386-257-4499 Email: rthomas@feedhopenow.org

Brevard Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3125 Skyway Circle Melbourne, FL 32934 Phone: 321-733-1600 Contact: Jorge Ortiz, Brevard Operations Manager Phone: 321-733-1600 Email: jortiz@feedhopenow.org

Marion Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 4045 NE 36th Ave. Ocala, FL 34478 **Mailing Address:** Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida Marion Branch PO Box 699 Ocala, FL 34478 Phone: 352-732-5500 Fax: 352-732-4197 Contact: Peter Del Toro Email: PDelToro@feedhopenow.org

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orlando (Marion County Conferences)

Address	352-245-4700, 7081 SE HWY 42, Summerfield, FL 34491
Phone	Helpline 407.889.4706 352-245-4700
Website	https://svdporlando.org/need-help%3F

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At a Glance

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established in Central Florida in 1986 and follows a 184-year tradition of charity work based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a Catholic Lay Organization of more than 690,000 men and women throughout the world who volunteer to provide person-to-person services to the needy and suffering. Membership in the united States totals approximately 146,000 volunteers within 4,600 U.S. communities.

At St. Vincent de Paul Orlando, our group includes 24 Conferences across nine Central Florida Counties of the Orlando Catholic Diocese. These Conferences represent some 1,932 volunteer members. We proudly exist to help people by providing compassionate and spiritual support services such as:

- Home Visits
- Person-to-person support
- Food
- Medicine
- Job training/locating employment
- Transportation to meet fundamental needs/employment
- Financial assistance for housing and utilities
- Care for the elderly, infirm, and disabled
- Disaster relief
- Emergency financial services
- St. Peter Claver Prison Ministry
- Vincentian Re-Entry Organizing Project
- Access to our four Thrift Stores to obtain basic items of clothing, household goods, and furniture for individuals and families in need

All services are provided with faith-filled principles and care. Our services are provided in the following counties: Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Polk, Lake, Osceola, Volusia, Marion, and Sumter.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Many households are just one missed paycheck from being homeless, or one unexpected emergency from being forced to choose between food and shelter. We are here to help those in need. Below is a list of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences that may be able to help.

Our Marion County St Vincent de Paul conferences are:

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Martin County

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach, Inc. – Stuart

Address	3232 SE Dixie Hwy., Stuart, FL 34997
Phone	Phone (Program Information): (561) 345-2000 Phone (Administration & Donations): (561) 775-9560 Phone (Counseling Services Intake): (844) 848-6777
Website	https://www.ccdpb.org/

ABOUT US

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach is a comprehensive nonprofit family service organization with offices located in Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, and Okeechobee counties.

Established in 1984 as the social service arm of the Palm Beach Diocese, Catholic Charities implements the charitable vision of our Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach. That is, to serve and advocate on behalf of those persons who do not have a voice or power to help themselves. Our mission is serving people in need and creating hope in all stages of life.

The services of Catholic Charities are available to all residents of the service area who qualify for the particular program. As the specific needs of the community change and the population rises, the services offered by Catholic Charities also change in response to those needs. Catholic Charities does not discriminate based on a client's religion, nor on any other classification protected under applicable federal, state or local discrimination laws. The agency serves more than 7,000 people in need every year throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach which includes the counties of Palm Beach, St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee. Catholic Charities currently provides services through 15 programs and ministries.

Our Catholic Charities' mission is rooted in the fundamental belief that every person has the right to be treated with dignity and that every human life is sacred. Integral to our mission and vision are Catholic Charities' core values of Faith, Respect and Service. These values underscore "why, how and what we do" within Catholic Charities. Our recognition that "God is in our midst" when we serve our clients, determines the moral strength of our agency. The time, care, dignity and professionalism that we offer each individual client and each other defines us as an exceptional agency.

- **In-Person and Virtual Counseling Services**

Currently offering virtual counseling sessions through a HIPAA compliant online portal

Call 844-848-6777 for an appointment. In-person counseling services are also available at the Stuart office.

The Catholic Charities Counseling Program provides confidential, professional counseling for adults, children, families, couples and groups in seven locations throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach. Our team of professional therapists address issues such as marital/relationship discord, child and family dynamics, depression, loneliness, outpatient level addiction recovery, infant loss grief support, grief and loss, anxiety/trauma, stressful relationships,

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child and adolescent problems and other life stressors. Bilingual services are also available (Spanish, German, and Dutch).

The Counseling Program offers its services to clients on a sliding scale based on household income as well as through insurance or employee assistance programs (EAP).

Other services the program offers include:

- Psychoeducational groups to the community
- Mental Health First Aid Training
- Therapy groups in the community
- Crisis debriefing/intervention services
- **Respite Care Services**

More and more of us are caring for aging and disabled loved ones in their, or our home. Families typically prefer to keep their loved one in the comfort of their home for as long as possible. Caregiving is stressful. Sometimes the caregiver needs time off from the extraordinary, intensive demands of providing ongoing care in the home. Respite care allows caregivers to take care of their own personal responsibilities in order to be the best caregiver they can be. This is where respite care is helpful. It provides caregivers with the break they need, while ensuring their loved one is receiving the compassionate attention they deserve. Respite care reduces hospital costs by avoiding or delaying out-of-home placement, decreases possible abuse and neglect, and supports family stability and well-being.

Catholic Charities Respite Services:

Catholic Charities Respite Services provide planned respite care for caregivers in their home in order to strengthen and stabilize families. Respite care involves a brief relief or rest of 2-3 hours per week for the caregiver. Respite Services provides caregivers with "the gift of a temporary rest and related support", from caregiving. The service supports, educates, and strengthens caregivers, enabling them to continue to provide quality care in the home.

The program's primary client is the caregiver, with the care receiver a secondary client. The program serves caregivers of adults with chronic health conditions for aging, disabled or cognitive conditions residents who are no longer safe to be left alone of St. Lucie County. Services are provided to anyone in need regardless of religion.

Catholic Charities Respite care program follows “Faith Community Nursing” (FCN) standards focusing on spiritual health and the nursing interventions of education, counseling, advocacy, referral, and utilization of community resources.

While respite services are offered by medically trained volunteers, medical or indirect medical care is not provided. The desired outcome of respite services is to decrease the caregiver's stress and anxiety, and to improve/increase the caregiver's knowledge of self-care, and use of community resources.

Respite Care Program services include:

- 2-3 hour per week in-home respite companionship
- Wellness assessment by the Respite Nurse Coordinator
- A Plan of Care for outlining caregiving goals
- Health education and promotion
- Information and referrals to available community resources

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- Powerful Tools for Caregivers course: Catholic Charities supports and sponsors the Powerful Tools for Caregiver's class for the community. This evidence-based 6-week program provides caregivers with the tools and strategies to better handle the unique challenges that come with being a caregiver. For our calendar of upcoming classes, click here: https://www.ccdpb.org/news/press-releases.html
- **Immigration Legal Services**

A multi-lingual, multi-cultural staff in three locations provides legal services to foreign-born individuals in need of immigration assistance. The program's focus is primarily on family reunification and includes:

- Family Petitions (I-130)
- Adjustment application before US Citizenship and Immigration Services
- Employment authorization under various programs
- Removal of conditional residence
- Fiancée Visa
- Re-entry permits
- NACARA applications
- Temporary Protective Status
- Unaccompanied Minors
- Affirmative Asylum Applications
- Naturalization applications
- Limited court representations
- VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) self petitions
- Special Immigrant Petitions (Juveniles and Religious Workers)
- Assistance with Consular process
- “U” Visa Applications for Victims of Crime
- “T” Visa Applications for Victims of Human Trafficking
- Limited Labor Certifications and Employment-Based Visas
- TPS Applications (current countries eligible; Burma (Myanmar) El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Nepal, Nicaragua, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Syria, Venezuela, Yemen).

Salvation Army – Martin County Corps

Address	821 SE M.L.K. Jr Blvd, Stuart, FL 34994
Phone	Phone: 772-288-1471
Website	https://martincounty.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church Conference (Ozanam Food Pantry – Food Distribution Center)

Address	2555 NE Savannah Road, Jensen Beach, FL 34957
Phone	Phone: 772-334-4214
Website	http://www.stmartindp.com/
Email	info@stmartindp.c

Fax: 772-334-8627

Email: info@stmartindp.com

Society of St. Vincent de Paul, Martin County South Conference – Hobe Sound

Address	12001 SE Federal Hwy, Suite D, Hobe Sound, FL 33455
Phone	Phone: (772) 546-2492
Website	https://www.svdp-hobesound.org/get_help.php
Email	office@svdp-hobesound.org

Hobe Sound Thrift Store & Financial Aid Office

Email: office@svdp-hobesound.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/svdpthriftstorehobesound

THINK GLOBALLY—ACT LOCALLY

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is an international organization with members in 150 countries, united in our mission to increase our own holiness through service to the less fortunate and those in need by providing goods and services when necessary in neighborhoods across America.

In Hobe Sound, we are located on the grounds of St. Christopher Catholic Church on Federal Hwy 1 just south of Bridge Road where we operate as a separate tenant with proceeds from the Thrift Store funding our mission to help the less fortunate.

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We generally serve the geographic area from the Florida Turnpike or I-95 to the ocean, and south of Cove Road to County Line Road. The 90 trained volunteers working in our Thrift Store and Financial Office annually provide about 12,000 hours of volunteer services, and help more than 1,300 families and 3,400 individuals. The need is great and growing. Please consider becoming one of our caring volunteers. Come in, or call the office (772) 546-2492, or volunteering email.

GET HELP

- **Food Pantry**

Our food pantry is stocked with nutritious food so that no child or adult who is unable to afford a meal will go hungry. We accept walk-ins at the Financial Office and Food Pantry.

- **Living Essentials**

We provide clothing essentials to help people find dignity and work. We assist with utility bills, and rent to help people in need. We accept walk-ins at the Food Pantry/Financial Office.

- **Financial Aid Office & Food Pantry Hours**

Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon Closed Saturday & Sunday. (772) 546-2492.

Treasure Coast Food Bank

Website	https://stophunger.org/food-finder/
Email	orderahead@tcfoodbank.org, info@tcfoodbank.org
Counties served	Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, St. Lucie

Treasure Coast Food Bank supports a network of emergency food assistance programs in Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. If you are in need of food, please contact one of our listed agency partners. For further assistance, contact the Treasure Coast Food Bank Partner Relations Department at 772-489-3034 between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You will be directed to the nearest emergency food provider in your area.

For a list of partner emergency food assistance programs sorted by distance from your location, visit https://stophunger.org/food-finder/.

Please register for Emergency Food Assistance here: https://stophunger.org/find-support/. We will review all requests for help. A Benefits Outreach Specialist will contact you. Thank you.

OrderAhead

Concerned your groceries won’t make it through the end of the month? OrderAhead is a fast, private & easy way to order free groceries online.

Getting Started

Getting the help you need has never been easier. In three easy steps, you’ll be on your way to securing nutritious food for you and your family.

Download PDF Instructions: https://stophunger.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Order-ahead-treasurecoast-food-bank.pdf

STEP 1: SELECT

- Click here to place your order now: https://www.orderahead.org/

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- You will be redirected to OrderAhead's website.
- Visit orderahead.org and select your pickup date and location. Use zip code 34947 to find location.
- Before you order…Remember that OrderAhead customers are limited to two orders per month. Please visit our agency locator if you are seeking additional assistance.

STEP 2: CHOOSE

- Shop online and choose from a changing selection of groceries.

STEP 3: CLAIM

- Register or login, check out, and visit the pick-up site to claim your groceries.

Have more questions about OrderAhead?

We're here to help. For questions about how OrderAhead works, feel free to contact our director of client services, Sherry Siegfried **orderahead@tcfoodbank.org**

Market Fresh on the Move

Market Fresh on the Move is a fully self-contained "roving grocery store on wheels" deployed across identified food desert micro-neighborhoods across Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin and Okeechobee counties, offering convenient access to healthy, fresh food options for food insecure households on the Treasure Coast.

By utilizing data to strategically target know-food deserts, and to identify gaps in existing services and food access points, Market Fresh on the Move is an innovative solution working directly to address hunger on the frontlines across the Treasure Coast.

Stocked like a grocery store, Market Fresh on the Move provides first-quality food products including fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy, eggs, and meat, as well as a variety of dry and canned products. The program accepts cash, credit, or SNAP EBT cards for payment and offers many specials helping neighbors' dollars go further.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/marketfresh/

Health & Nutrition Outreach

Through a number of collaborative partnerships, TCFB provides direct food assistance, nutrition education, health management, and medical prescreening for chronic illnesses. We manage a Diabetes Awareness Program assisting clients with management of their condition through diet and education.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education Program

In partnership with Florida Nutrition Ed, Treasure Coast Food Bank offers nutrition education classes to help SNAP-eligible Florida residents incorporate more nutritious foods into their diet, adopt an active lifestyle, and improve their quality of life. The program provides free nutrition education classes in St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee counties.

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Programs for Kids

Treasure Coast Food Bank offers a variety of programs year-round for children at risk of food insecurity at partnering schools and community centers.

- **School Pantry Program** – Provides a variety of shelf-stable food directly to children and families in need. This is a progression of the Backpack Program by serving the whole family, rather than just one child.
- **Summer Meals Program** – Ensures that children in low- income areas receive nutritious meals during the summer months when they do not have access to free or reduced meals through their school's free or reduced meal program. Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/summer-meals-program/
- **After School Meals Program** – A nationally sponsored partnership program to provide free, nutritious meals and snacks to low-income children through a variety of community locations where children already congregate in safe, after-school environments.
- **Happy Baby Diaper Bank** – Provides diapers and other essential items for babies and toddlers to families in need through a collaborative partnership with organizations serving parents and infants in Southeast Florida.
- **Teen Pantry Program** – Impacts the lives of young adults by providing personal hygiene items to middle through high school aged adolescents, as well as appetite fulfilling breakfast and snack items.
- **Farm 2 School** – Through a partnership with the St. Lucie County School District, Treasure Coast Food Bank stores and transports farm-fresh offerings to all St. Lucie County students in each of St. Lucie County's 42 public schools.
- **BackPack Program** – Provides children from low-income families with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and holidays when they don't have access to free and reduced lunch at school.

Programs for Seniors

Treasure Coast Food Bank programs focus on the improvement of our older neighbors' overall health and nutritional well-being.

- **Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)** – This program aims to improve the health and nutritional well-being of elderly individuals, 60 years and older, who are vulnerable to malnutrition and are income eligible.
- **Healthy Options Program for the Elderly (H.O.P.E.)** – Working with community partners such as public housing, senior centers, and medical clinics, this program provides 30+ pound boxes of shelf-stable food as a supplement to our senior population.
- **Senior Mobile Pantry Program** – Weekly community distributions throughout the Treasure Coast providing 60+ pounds of nutritious food and other essentials to seniors.
- **Veterans' Outreach** – This initiative targets homeless veterans in our four-county area by providing them with boxes packed at our Distribution Center. In those boxes are nutritious food items suitable for outdoor living as well as sunscreen, shampoo, and conditioner.

Job Training Programs

Treasure Coast Food Bank's job training programs support self-sufficiency, address the root causes of hunger, and provide job readiness opportunities for unemployed or underemployed individuals interested in entering growing career fields.

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We actively offer programs in culinary training, supply chain management, CDL certifications, hospitality, and barista training.

All programs include life skills training and professional preparedness training, which encompass resume writing, interview skills, and soft skills training alongside industry standardized courses.

Eligible individuals who qualify can attend our courses free of charge.

See available programs and learn more: https://stophunger.org/umbrella/job-training-programs/

Benefits Outreach Program

Our Benefits Outreach team reaches out to eligible low-income people who are not currently participating in SNAP, Medicaid, Florida Kid Care, and TANF and shares information about the benefits of the program to help them make an informed participation decision. The program also includes nutrition education, health & wellness workshops, economic mobility presentations, senior programs, child nutrition programs, and more. It provides individuals and families with the tools they need to achieve independence, health, and financial stability and is available in English, Spanish, and Creole.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

Whole Child Connection Program

Whole Child Connection is designed to provide a simple, straight-forward way to connect local families with the help that they need. It is available to all Martin County children and their families, ensuring anonymity while giving them access to a wide range of community services. The goal is to help families lead a healthier, more fulfilling life.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/whole-child-connection/

Contact Treasure Coast Food Bank

401 Angle Rd. Ft. Pierce, FL 34947 Phone: 772.489.3034

Fax: 772.489.5673

Email: info@tcfoodbank.org

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Miami-Dade County

Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Miami, Inc. – Broward County Administrative Offices

Address	3620 NW 1st Ave, Miami, FL 33127
Phone	Phone: 305-573-3333 Fax: 305-576-5111 Email: newlife@ccadm.org
Website	https://www.ccadm.org/sh_projects/homeless-prevention-and-rapid-re-housing-miami-dade-county/
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MIAMI-DADE COUNTY PROGRAMS:

1. **Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-Housing – Miami-Dade County** Provides assistance and appropriate referrals to individuals and families in the Miami-Dade county area to prevent homelessness.

Services offered include:

- Rent/mortgage assistance
- Food vouchers
- Utility assistance
- Case management including assessment and referrals

Eligibility Requirements:

- Resident of Miami-Dade County
- Homeless or at risk of homelessness
- Must have a notice of eviction or late payment for rent/mortgage, and/or utility.
- Provide proof of hardship

Contact Us:

3620 NW 1st Ave Miami, FL 33127 Phone: 305-573-3333 Fax: 305-576-5111 newlife@ccadm.org

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Feeding Palm Beach County
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Boynton Beach, FL 33426
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Monday – Friday: 8:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m

Food + Benefits Assistance
954.518.1857

Salvation Army – Miami Area Command

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Website	https://miami.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

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For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

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Salvation Army – Miami Citadel Corps

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Salvation Army – Miami Sunset Corps

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Visit the Society of St. Vincent de Paul Guadalupe Conference at https://www.svdpguadalupe.org/ to fill out the Help Application Form and request assistance.

Society of St. Vincent De Paul Guadalupe Conference provides information, referrals and resources for emergency assistance. Their services are designed to address basic needs such as food, shelter, clothing, transportation, and support for bereaved, homebound, elderly, incarcerated and the poor. This program provides: - Emergency assistance: food and financial assistance - Referrals: financial education, employment assistance, home goods, furniture

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Hugh Catholic Church Conference

Address	3460 Royal Road, Coconut Grove, FL 33133
Phone	Phone: (305) 444-8363
Website	https://sthughmiami.org/church/st-vincent-de-paul-society/

Fax: (305) 444-4312

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Hugh Catholic Church Conference offers assistance to its parish area only. Available assistance types may include food, rent, utilities, and/or other types.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Patrick Catholic Church Conference (English/Spanish)

Address	3716 Garden Ave., Miami Beach, FL 33140
Phone	Phone: (305) 531-1124
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Email	parish@stpatrickmiamibeach.com

Fax: (305) 538-3203

Email: parish@stpatrickmiamibeach.com

The **Society of St. Vincent de Paul** at St. Patrick’s follows Christ’s call to serve the poor, the suffering, and the deprived. Here at St. Patrick’s the work of the St. Vincent de Paul

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Society focuses on serving the needs of those in our Miami Beach community who are experiencing food and housing insecurity.

Every Saturday morning the Food Pantry distributes food bags and meals to between 150 and 200 individuals and families. The Emergency Assistance Program provides emergency financial help to those on the brink of homelessness through emergency rent, utilities, and essential medication support.

We invite you to participate in Christ’s call to serve the poor and marginalized through your generous donations to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at St. Patrick’s. Also, through prayer and reflection, please give consideration to becoming a volunteer in this ministry to the poor among us.

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Monroe County

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Food + Benefits Assistance
954.518.1857

Salvation Army – Key West Service Center

Address	1920 Flagler Ave, Key West, FL 33040
Phone	Phone: 305-294-5611

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including

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- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul St. Justin Martyr Church Conference

Address	105500 Overseas Highway, Key Largo, FL 33037
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Bob Krieter, President

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KEY LARGO | Spurred by the growing needs of the Florida Keys — including food, jobs, housing and utilities — St. Justin Martyr parish has launched a chapter of the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The outreach aims to serve the most vulnerable residents of an area facing more economic stresses than ever, said Bob Krieter, president of the new southernmost chapter of the society.

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"Sometimes I'll see someone running an extension cord from their house to the neighbor's house whose utilities have been cut," Krieter told the Key West-based Keys News. "We'll get them back on their feet, so the neighbor doesn't have to."

The new chapter, numbering about a dozen people, focuses on immediate needs such as rent, groceries, dental problems, furniture and utility bills.

The Key Largo group is another service to the poor at St. Justin Martyr, which has run a food pantry for years. In 2017, the parish installed a cooler for perishable foods, donated by the Ocean Reef Community Foundation.

Father Stephen Hilley, pastor of St. Justin Martyr, said needs have sharpened even more since Hurricane Irma struck in 2017. With expenses climbing and people losing their jobs, he estimates the population has fallen by nearly 4 percent.

"There is hidden poverty that you would never know about in Key Largo and further south," Father Hilley told Keys News.

The church serves as the call center for the southernmost chapter. Two society members meet the person or family within two days and assess the greatest needs. All cases are confidential, Krieter said.

Those who need help, or who wish to learn more about the local St. Vincent de Paul chapter, should call St. Justin Martyr at 305-451-1316.

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Nassau County

Catholic Charities Jacksonville

Address	40 E. Adams St., #320, Jacksonville, FL 32202
Phone	Phone: (904) 354-4846
Website	https://www.ccbjax.org/
Email	info@ccbjax.org
Counties served	Baker, Clay, Duval, Nassau

Catholic Charities Jacksonville Regional Office

Email: info@ccbjax.org

ABOUT US

For more than 75 years, Catholic Charities Jacksonville has served the local community as a compassionate helper, respected leader, and a reliable partner. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency. Catholic Charities puts faith into action to serve the most vulnerable in our community, advocating for justice, human dignity and quality of life, while reflecting the compassion of God in Christ.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, immigration legal services, refugee resettlement and caring for persons with intellectual and developmental differences, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives. Counties Served: Baker, Clay, Duval and Nassau.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** The Emergency Financial Assistance Program (EA) is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness. Our program serves those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
  - **Supportive Services for Veteran Families Program** Thanks to our partnership with Changing Homelessness, Catholic Charities Jacksonville are able to provide supportive services for low or very low-income Veterans and Veteran families who are homeless, at-risk of losing housing, or residing in, or transitioning to permanent housing. To be screened for this program, please call 904-638-2112 or 866-367-7783.
    - **Services that are provided include:**
      - Case Management
      - Transportation Assistance
      - Legal Services
      - Housing Counseling Services
      - Personal Financial Planning
      - Job Counseling Services
      - Moving Assistance

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        - Temporary Financial Assistance
        - Referral to Other Agency or Area Resources
    - **Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of Housing Opportunities for Persons With AIDS services in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. For more information and to apply for assistance, visit: https://www.ccbjax.org/emergency-financial-assistance

Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families living with HIV/AIDS including:

- Case Management
    - Referrals
        - Group Counseling
            - Caregiver Services
    - **Emergency Financial Assistance (NON HOPWA)**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville is a provider of in partnership with the City of Jacksonville through the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. Our team assists clients with housing, emergency assistance to prevent homelessness, and supportive services for low-income persons and families:

- Examples of some services available:
    - Case Management
        - Referrals
        - Assistance with utilities
        - Assistance with rent
        - Transitional housing for homeless
- **FOOD ASSISTANCE: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**

Catholic Charities Jacksonville serves people of all faiths and backgrounds. We encourage any of our neighbors who may be struggling to visit our drive-thru food pantry located at St. Pius V Catholic Church campus.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

St. Pius V Catholic Church Campus

1470 West 13th Street

Jacksonville, 32209

Wednesdays and Fridays at 8:30 a.m.

Our team begins giving tickets at 8:30 a.m. for up to 70 clients. Guests can return every two weeks, and our team collects basic demographics of each household. One ticket is permitted per household, and you must be present when your number is called. If you are not present, our team will move on to the next number - so please stick around once you receive your ticket. During holidays, please check our website or call us for adjusted food distribution schedules.

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Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn’t an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

Address:

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Okaloosa County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Fort Walton Beach Office

Address	11 First St. SE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548
Phone	Phone: 850-244-2825
Counties served	Okaloosa, Walton

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Feeding the Gulf Coast

Website	https://www.feedingthegulfcoast.org/
Counties served	Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington

Feeding the Gulf Coast assists families and individuals along the central Gulf Coast in many ways. More than 400 community partners are ready to provide groceries and meals to those struggling to afford food. In Florida, Feeding the Gulf Coast serves Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, and Bay Counties.

Child Nutrition Programs

- **The Backpack Program**

The Backpack Program, which began in 2004, meets the needs of chronically hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and breaks when school meals are unavailable. The Backpack Program is located at schools with a high incidence of children in need. Each backpack provides children with six meals and two snacks.

- **The School Pantry Program**

Similar to the Backpack Program, the School Pantry Program provides students with nutritious, nonperishable, and easily consumed food and other necessities. The program allows children dignity, privacy, and comfort in selecting food and other items that the student and their family need. Teachers, counselors, and school nurses identify students based on their level of need and as they demonstrate signs of hunger in the classroom. Students can visit the school pantry weekly to select nutritious, easy-to-prepare food and toiletries for personal use.

- **The Afterschool Meals Program**

The Afterschool Meals Program provides free meals and snacks to children through a variety of community locations—such as Boys and Girls Clubs, churches or public schools. This program is funded through the federal Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP). The children who attend these programs receive free meals that meet federal guidelines for nutrition.

- **The Summer Meals Program**

Similar to the Afterschool Meals Program, Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Summer Meals Program to ensure children in our region have access to free, nutritious meals during the summer when school is out for the summer along the central Gulf Coast. Sites in this program serve two meals daily (breakfast, lunch, or snacks) to children in their community. This program is funded through the federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Food Rescue Programs

- **Store Donation Program**

The Store Donation Program provides the food bank and its agencies with various fresh products, including produce, dairy, meat, and bread, by connecting the food bank with local retail grocery stores. Through the program, stores donate their wholesome but unsaleable food to the food bank. In some areas, Feeding the Gulf Coast trains and certifies select agencies to pick up food directly from these stores and distribute the donations to their clients through their feeding programs. Not only does this get food into the hands of those in

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need faster, but it also enables the food bank to use resources like trucks, employees, and monetary donations in other places. Feeding the Gulf Coast and select agencies pick up from approximately 250 stores each week, collecting nearly 1.25 million pounds of food every month.

Food Distribution Programs

- **Senior Boxes**

Nearly 5 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. After a lifetime of hard work, 63% of the households with older adults (50+) find themselves facing an impossible choice — to buy groceries or medical care. And as the baby-boom generation ages, the number of seniors facing hunger is only expected to increase.

Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP, Senior Boxes) in select Alabama and Florida counties. This program provides food to seniors in need by giving USDA-donated foods to eligible participants through a monthly food package. Seniors must be 60 years of age or older and have a household income at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Senior Boxes Improve Health

CSFP helps to combat the poor health conditions often found in food-insecure seniors. According to research*, food-insecure seniors (60+) are significantly more likely to intake lower amounts of essential vitamins, to be in poor or fair health, and to have physical limitations. Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk for:

- Increased disability
- Decreased resistance to infections
- Deteriorating mental health
- Lengthening of hospital stays
- Diabetes
- **Mobile Pantry Program**

The Mobile Pantry Program directly serves clients in areas of high need to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area. Through a mobile pantry, a truckload of food is distributed to clients in a single-day allowing us to provide a family with enough food for a week for just $10. Each mobile pantry distributes a variety of product include protein, canned or fresh produce, dairy, and grains.

Produce Drop

A produce drop distributes thousands of pounds of fresh produce to communities in need. Food deserts are areas with little access to fresh produce, or the price of fruits and vegetables is too much for families in need to afford. This single-day distribution helps eliminate the need for food to be stored at a local pantry and gets the product into the client's hands quicker.

Community Health & Nutrition

- **Nourishing Our Communities**

For people facing food insecurity, the challenge of adequate diet and nutrition, doctor visits, and medication is often unmanageable, creating a cycle of tough choices that results in otherwise manageable diseases becoming a health crisis. Feeding the Gulf Coast recognizes the parallel union proper nutrition has in combating the impacts of food insecurity on health.

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We believe no one should be without the food they need for a better life. As part of our work to address this, Feeding the Gulf Coast has established a Community Health and Nutrition department to ensure every community has access to a balanced, nutritious diet.

- **Healthcare Partnerships:** By working with healthcare providers to address food insecurity as a social determinant of health, these partnerships will expand and grow our current “Food as Medicine” initiatives seeking to improve health outcomes by increasing access to nutritious food and education.
- **Nutrition Education Classes:** These science-backed classes create an avenue of attainable steps that clients can use to inform their choices regarding diet and meal planning. Our nutrition specialists provide in-person nutrition education classes, indirect education activities, and other nutrition nudges to help families better understand the vital role nutrition plays in their health outcomes. **View online classes here.**
- **Mobile Market (Millie):**By bringing nutritious food directly to areas with limited grocery options, Millie the Mobile Market helps ensure more individuals and families can access the healthy food they need to thrive. **Find Millie here.**

Disaster Response

- **When Disaster Strikes**

The food bank swiftly shifts into disaster relief mode when a storm impacts our community while maintaining food assistance and support across the unaffected parts of our service area. Following the storm, we work with our food pantries and meal programs to begin response and recovery efforts. We continue providing relief long after other recovery efforts have ended. We coordinate efforts with local government officials, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and the American Red Cross to ensure unduplicated, efficient and timely relief.

PANHANDLE BRANCH

5709 Industrial Blvd

Milton, FL 32583

(850) 626-1332

Salvation Army – Ft. Walton Beach Corps

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Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

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The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul District Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee (Okaloosa County Conference)

Address	1200 Valparaiso Blvd, Niceville, FL 32578
Phone	Phone: (850) 678-7813
Website	https://holynamechurch.org/

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul - Okaloosa County, FL – Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church Conference

Website: https://holynamechurch.org/

ABOUT US

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul got its start in Pensacola in 1933. Today the Council of Pensacola-Tallahassee has 6 conferences in Pensacola, 3 conferences in the Niceville and Panama City areas and 2 conferences in Tallahassee. In the spring of 2012, a new youth conference was formed at Pensacola Catholic High School.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to the poor. This aid may take the form of intervention, advocacy, consultation or direct financial aid. A unique feature of the Society of SVDP is its commitment to "home visit" those who ask for our help. By visiting the poor in their homes, we offer a listening ear and friendship. This allows us to ascertain other family needs that a family may not have expressly sought.

St. Vincent can provide social services and emergency aid. This includes clothing and furniture, help with food, prevent homelessness by assisting with paying rent or utility bills, provide free or discounted transportation, and the charity can assist in many other ways. While funds are limited and can fluctuate throughout the year, they take on challenges of all types, and do what they can to help the people of Leon and nearby counties.

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Okeechobee County

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach, Inc. – Stuart

Address	3232 SE Dixie Hwy., Stuart, FL 34997
Phone	Phone (Program Information): (561) 345-2000 Phone (Administration & Donations): (561) 775-9560 Phone (Counseling Services Intake): (844) 848-6777
Website	https://www.ccdpb.org/

ABOUT US

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach is a comprehensive nonprofit family service organization with offices located in Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, and Okeechobee counties.

Established in 1984 as the social service arm of the Palm Beach Diocese, Catholic Charities implements the charitable vision of our Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach. That is, to serve and advocate on behalf of those persons who do not have a voice or power to help themselves. Our mission is serving people in need and creating hope in all stages of life.

The services of Catholic Charities are available to all residents of the service area who qualify for the particular program. As the specific needs of the community change and the population rises, the services offered by Catholic Charities also change in response to those needs. Catholic Charities does not discriminate based on a client’s religion, nor on any other classification protected under applicable federal, state or local discrimination laws. The agency serves more than 7,000 people in need every year throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach which includes the counties of Palm Beach, St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee. Catholic Charities currently provides services through 15 programs and ministries.

Our Catholic Charities' mission is rooted in the fundamental belief that every person has the right to be treated with dignity and that every human life is sacred. Integral to our mission and vision are Catholic Charities’ core values of Faith, Respect and Service. These values underscore "why, how and what we do" within Catholic Charities. Our recognition that “God is in our midst” when we serve our clients, determines the moral strength of our agency. The time, care, dignity and professionalism that we offer each individual client and each other defines us as an exceptional agency.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **In-Person and Virtual Counseling Services**

Currently offering virtual counseling sessions through a HIPAA compliant online portal

Call 844-848-6777 for an appointment. In-person counseling services are also available at the Stuart office.

The Catholic Charities Counseling Program provides confidential, professional counseling for adults, children, families, couples and groups in seven locations throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach. Our team of professional therapists address issues such as marital/relationship discord, child and family dynamics, depression, loneliness, outpatient level addiction recovery, infant loss grief support, grief and loss, anxiety/trauma, stressful relationships,

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child and adolescent problems and other life stressors. Bilingual services are also available (Spanish, German, and Dutch).

The Counseling Program offers its services to clients on a sliding scale based on household income as well as through insurance or employee assistance programs (EAP).

Other services the program offers include:

- Psychoeducational groups to the community
- Mental Health First Aid Training
- Therapy groups in the community
- Crisis debriefing/intervention services
- **Respite Care Services**

More and more of us are caring for aging and disabled loved ones in their, or our home. Families typically prefer to keep their loved one in the comfort of their home for as long as possible. Caregiving is stressful. Sometimes the caregiver needs time off from the extraordinary, intensive demands of providing ongoing care in the home. Respite care allows caregivers to take care of their own personal responsibilities in order to be the best caregiver they can be. This is where respite care is helpful. It provides caregivers with the break they need, while ensuring their loved one is receiving the compassionate attention they deserve. Respite care reduces hospital costs by avoiding or delaying out-of-home placement, decreases possible abuse and neglect, and supports family stability and well-being.

Catholic Charities Respite Services:

Catholic Charities Respite Services provide planned respite care for caregivers in their home in order to strengthen and stabilize families. Respite care involves a brief relief or rest of 2-3 hours per week for the caregiver. Respite Services provides caregivers with "the gift of a temporary rest and related support", from caregiving. The service supports, educates, and strengthens caregivers, enabling them to continue to provide quality care in the home.

The program's primary client is the caregiver, with the care receiver a secondary client. The program serves caregivers of adults with chronic health conditions for aging, disabled or cognitive conditions residents who are no longer safe to be left alone of St. Lucie County. Services are provided to anyone in need regardless of religion.

Catholic Charities Respite care program follows “Faith Community Nursing” (FCN) standards focusing on spiritual health and the nursing interventions of education, counseling, advocacy, referral, and utilization of community resources.

While respite services are offered by medically trained volunteers, medical or indirect medical care is not provided. The desired outcome of respite services is to decrease the caregiver's stress and anxiety, and to improve/increase the caregiver's knowledge of self-care, and use of community resources.

Respite Care Program services include:

- 2-3 hour per week in-home respite companionship
- Wellness assessment by the Respite Nurse Coordinator
- A Plan of Care for outlining caregiving goals
- Health education and promotion
- Information and referrals to available community resources

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- Powerful Tools for Caregivers course: Catholic Charities supports and sponsors the Powerful Tools for Caregiver's class for the community. This evidence-based 6-week program provides caregivers with the tools and strategies to better handle the unique challenges that come with being a caregiver. For our calendar of upcoming classes, click here: https://www.ccdpb.org/news/press-releases.html
- **Immigration Legal Services**

A multi-lingual, multi-cultural staff in three locations provides legal services to foreign-born individuals in need of immigration assistance. The program's focus is primarily on family reunification and includes:

- Family Petitions (I-130)
- Adjustment application before US Citizenship and Immigration Services
- Employment authorization under various programs
- Removal of conditional residence
- Fiancée Visa
- Re-entry permits
- NACARA applications
- Temporary Protective Status
- Unaccompanied Minors
- Affirmative Asylum Applications
- Naturalization applications
- Limited court representations
- VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) self petitions
- Special Immigrant Petitions (Juveniles and Religious Workers)
- Assistance with Consular process
- “U” Visa Applications for Victims of Crime
- “T” Visa Applications for Victims of Human Trafficking
- Limited Labor Certifications and Employment-Based Visas
- TPS Applications (current countries eligible; Burma (Myanmar) El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Nepal, Nicaragua, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Syria, Venezuela, Yemen).

Salvation Army – Okeechobee FL Service Unit

Address	1600 SW 2nd Ave, #B, Okeechobee, FL 34972
Phone	Phone: (863) 763-6020
Website	https://martincounty.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

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- **Casework Services**
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- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Okeechobee Church of God

Address	301 NE 4th Ave., Okeechobee, FL 34972
Phone	Kent; Phone: (863) 623-6442 Phone: (863) 763-4127

If you are in need of food or other items please don’t hesitate to ask. We are here to serve our community, every first and third Monday of the month, our food bank donates food and

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other items to the community. No matter where you are at in life’s journey. We also have Emergency food when needed. Please contact our food bank coordinator Kent at (863) 623-6442.

Treasure Coast Food Bank

Website	https://stophunger.org/food-finder/
Email	orderahead@tcfoodbank.org, info@tcfoodbank.org
Counties served	Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, St. Lucie

Treasure Coast Food Bank supports a network of emergency food assistance programs in Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. If you are in need of food, please contact one of our listed agency partners. For further assistance, contact the Treasure Coast Food Bank Partner Relations Department at 772-489-3034 between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You will be directed to the nearest emergency food provider in your area.

For a list of partner emergency food assistance programs sorted by distance from your location, visit https://stophunger.org/food-finder/.

Please register for Emergency Food Assistance here: https://stophunger.org/find-support/. We will review all requests for help. A Benefits Outreach Specialist will contact you. Thank you.

OrderAhead

Concerned your groceries won’t make it through the end of the month? OrderAhead is a fast, private & easy way to order free groceries online.

Getting Started

Getting the help you need has never been easier. In three easy steps, you’ll be on your way to securing nutritious food for you and your family.

Download PDF Instructions: https://stophunger.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Order-ahead-treasurecoast-food-bank.pdf

STEP 1: SELECT

- Click here to place your order now: https://www.orderahead.org/
- You will be redirected to OrderAhead’s website.
- Visit orderahead.org and select your pickup date and location. Use zip code 34947 to find location.
- Before you order…Remember that OrderAhead customers are limited to two orders per month. Please visit our agency locator if you are seeking additional assistance.

STEP 2: CHOOSE

- Shop online and choose from a changing selection of groceries.

STEP 3: CLAIM

- Register or login, check out, and visit the pick-up site to claim your groceries.

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Have more questions about OrderAhead?

We're here to help. For questions about how OrderAhead works, feel free to contact our director of client services, Sherry Siegfried **orderahead@tcfoodbank.org**

Market Fresh on the Move

Market Fresh on the Move is a fully self-contained "roving grocery store on wheels" deployed across identified food desert micro-neighborhoods across Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin and Okeechobee counties, offering convenient access to healthy, fresh food options for food insecure households on the Treasure Coast.

By utilizing data to strategically target know-food deserts, and to identify gaps in existing services and food access points, Market Fresh on the Move is an innovative solution working directly to address hunger on the frontlines across the Treasure Coast.

Stocked like a grocery store, Market Fresh on the Move provides first-quality food products including fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy, eggs, and meat, as well as a variety of dry and canned products. The program accepts cash, credit, or SNAP EBT cards for payment and offers many specials helping neighbors' dollars go further.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/marketfresh/

Health & Nutrition Outreach

Through a number of collaborative partnerships, TCFB provides direct food assistance, nutrition education, health management, and medical prescreening for chronic illnesses. We manage a Diabetes Awareness Program assisting clients with management of their condition through diet and education.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education Program

In partnership with Florida Nutrition Ed, Treasure Coast Food Bank offers nutrition education classes to help SNAP-eligible Florida residents incorporate more nutritious foods into their diet, adopt an active lifestyle, and improve their quality of life. The program provides free nutrition education classes in St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee counties.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

Programs for Kids

Treasure Coast Food Bank offers a variety of programs year-round for children at risk of food insecurity at partnering schools and community centers.

- **School Pantry Program** – Provides a variety of shelf-stable food directly to children and families in need. This is a progression of the Backpack Program by serving the whole family, rather than just one child.
- **Summer Meals Program** – Ensures that children in low- income areas receive nutritious meals during the summer months when they do not have access to free or reduced meals through their school's free or reduced meal program. Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/summer-meals-program/
- **After School Meals Program** – A nationally sponsored partnership program to provide free, nutritious meals and snacks to low-income children through a variety of community locations where children already congregate in safe, after-school environments.

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- **Happy Baby Diaper Bank** – Provides diapers and other essential items for babies and toddlers to families in need through a collaborative partnership with organizations serving parents and infants in Southeast Florida.
- **Teen Pantry Program** – Impacts the lives of young adults by providing personal hygiene items to middle through high school aged adolescents, as well as appetite fulfilling breakfast and snack items.
- **Farm 2 School** – Through a partnership with the St. Lucie County School District, Treasure Coast Food Bank stores and transports farm-fresh offerings to all St. Lucie County students in each of St. Lucie County's 42 public schools.
- **BackPack Program** – Provides children from low-income families with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and holidays when they don't have access to free and reduced lunch at school.

Programs for Seniors

Treasure Coast Food Bank programs focus on the improvement of our older neighbors' overall health and nutritional well-being.

- **Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)** – This program aims to improve the health and nutritional well-being of elderly individuals, 60 years and older, who are vulnerable to malnutrition and are income eligible.
- **Healthy Options Program for the Elderly (H.O.P.E.)** – Working with community partners such as public housing, senior centers, and medical clinics, this program provides 30+ pound boxes of shelf-stable food as a supplement to our senior population.
- **Senior Mobile Pantry Program** – Weekly community distributions throughout the Treasure Coast providing 60+ pounds of nutritious food and other essentials to seniors.
- **Veterans' Outreach** – This initiative targets homeless veterans in our four-county area by providing them with boxes packed at our Distribution Center. In those boxes are nutritious food items suitable for outdoor living as well as sunscreen, shampoo, and conditioner.

Job Training Programs

Treasure Coast Food Bank's job training programs support self-sufficiency, address the root causes of hunger, and provide job readiness opportunities for unemployed or underemployed individuals interested in entering growing career fields.

We actively offer programs in culinary training, supply chain management, CDL certifications, hospitality, and barista training.

All programs include life skills training and professional preparedness training, which encompass resume writing, interview skills, and soft skills training alongside industry standardized courses.

Eligible individuals who qualify can attend our courses free of charge.

See available programs and learn more: https://stophunger.org/umbrella/job-training-programs/

Benefits Outreach Program

Our Benefits Outreach team reaches out to eligible low-income people who are not currently participating in SNAP, Medicaid, Florida Kid Care, and TANF and shares information about the benefits of the program to help them make an informed participation decision. The program also includes nutrition education, health & wellness workshops, economic mobility

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presentations, senior programs, child nutrition programs, and more. It provides individuals and families with the tools they need to achieve independence, health, and financial stability and is available in English, Spanish, and Creole.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

Whole Child Connection Program

Whole Child Connection is designed to provide a simple, straight-forward way to connect local families with the help that they need. It is available to all Martin County children and their families, ensuring anonymity while giving them access to a wide range of community services. The goal is to help families lead a healthier, more fulfilling life.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/whole-child-connection/

Contact Treasure Coast Food Bank

401 Angle Rd. Ft. Pierce, FL 34947 Phone: 772.489.3034

Fax: 772.489.5673

Email: info@tcfoodbank.org

Website: https://stophunger.org/

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Orange County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Orlando – Catholic Charities of Central Florida – Main Office

Address	1771 N Semoran Blvd, Orlando, FL 32807
Phone	Phone: 407-658-1818 Phone Number: (407) 658-1818 (x1327)
Website	https://cflcc.org/
Hours	Hours: 8:00am-4:00pm (Monday-Friday)

Website: https://cflcc.org/

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **Family Stability Program Who We Are**

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Meet with a Case Manager: In Orange County, please call (407) 658-1818.

- **Agape Mission Markets Who We Are**

The Agape Mission Markets are food pantries, where those in need can receive meats, fresh fruits, vegetables, and more that best meet their nutritional and personal preferences. The Agape Mission Markets are made possible thanks to the help of Second Harvest Food Bank, Orange County Government, Publix, and the United Way. The Orlando (East) Agape Mission Market is located at the Catholic Charities of Central Florida – Main Office at 1771 N Semoran Blvd, Orlando, FL 32807. **Food Assistance is by Appointment Only. Available Appointment Times:**

- Monday 8:30am-12:30pm
- Wednesday 8:30am-12:30pm
- Friday 8:30am-12:30pm
- **Housing**

About

Catholic Charities of Central Florida provides housing for individuals who might otherwise be unable to afford it—including the elderly. This is done through affordable housing properties for individuals, families, and seniors that are managed by Resurrection Property Management.

- **Resurrection Property Management**

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Who We Are

Resurrection Housing Services provides individuals and families with the tools to obtain and preserve a home through Resurrection Property Management and the Resurrection Community Housing Development Organization.

Resurrection Property Management manages resilient, sustainable, and quality affordable houses and communities throughout Central Florida.

Resurrection Community Housing Development Organization creates and develops communities comprised of affordable housing. Through housing counseling, individuals receive counseling assistance in the process of attaining their personal goals for housing.

Individual and Family Housing – Orange County

Monsignor Bishop Manor

815 Borders Cir Orlando, FL 32808

Phone: 407-293-3339

Monsignor Bishop Manor is 144-unit affordable apartment community in the Pine Hills neighborhood of Orlando. It is within walking distance of local shops and public transportation.

Senior Housing – Orange County

St. Joseph Garden Courts

1515 N Alafaya Trail Orlando, FL 32828

Phone: 407-382-0808

St. Joseph Garden Courts, a 79-unit community, is located in East Orlando and provides safe and affordable apartments for seniors. Located right next to The Waterford Town Center, residents have shopping, dining, and other activities nearby.

- **Housing Counseling**

Phone Number: (407) 658-1818 (x1329)

Hours: 9:00am-4:00pm (Monday-Friday)

Who We Are

Housing Counseling serves individuals and families by providing them the tools and resources needed to reach their housing goals, whether current/prospective homebuyers or renters. Our housing counselors are HUD-Certified and available for an in-person, virtual, or phone appointment. Currently, there is the option for an appointment with a Spanish speaking counselor.

Services Offered

You are not alone. Get connected with the help, support, and resources you need free of charge.

- **Financial Management**

We provide free education workshops to help you set financial goals, take control over debt, develop knowledge regarding financial products that could be a good fit for you, and how to recognize and avoid scams/fraud.

- **Budget Coaching**

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At its core, a budget is a worksheet with separate categories for income, expenses, and savings. Whatever your path may be, you'll want to keep your finances organized and make smart decisions regarding money! We will teach you how to track your spending, set realistic goals, and make a plan that will give you a greater sense of control over your financial life.

- **Credit Building**

Building credit from scratch does not have to be difficult. We can help you learn how to establish credit by understanding the fundamentals of credit and implementing strategies to help you keep your credit headed in the right direction.

- **Mortgage Counseling**

A housing counselor can talk to you about your situation and help you decide what mortgage options are best for you, whether you are preparing to buy a home for the first time or looking to refinance to make home improvements.

- **Rental Counseling**

Housing counseling agencies play an essential role in reducing evictions by: helping clients identify an affordable unit, providing information to renters on tenant rights and faith housing issues, counseling on household budgeting and good rental practices, and connecting clients with community resources.

- **Foreclosure Prevention**

If you have missed any mortgage payments, are about to miss a payment, or if your loan already has been referred to an attorney for foreclosure, a HUD-approved counselor can assist you and discuss specific options that may work for you.

- **Fair Housing**

Our mission is to help individuals and families from majority and minority groups with their housing needs, regardless of race, religion, color, national origin, sex, disability, and familial status.

- **Behavioral Health Services Who We Are**

Behavioral Health Services offers a variety of programs, including counseling, coordination of care and community education that seek to increase mental health awareness and decrease stigma in the community. We are dedicated to helping clients get connected to services that support mental well-being and overall mental health. Whether it is in-person or virtual, we have the capacity through our extensive network to meet people in ways most convenient for them. These services are offered throughout the nine counties of Diocese of Orlando.

- **Counseling Services** We offer virtual and face-to-face outpatient counseling services for older adolescents, adults, senior citizens, couples and families. Our staff have a variety of specialties—including, but not limited to, trauma, depression, anxiety, and relationship issues. We offer Pre-Cana services for couples seeking marriage in the Catholic Church and post annulment services as well. We offer faith-based and non-faith-based services to meet the needs of a wide variety of clients. Staff is bilingual in English and Spanish. We accept a variety of insurance including Medicare. In some cases, clients who have insurance we do not accept may be served by other opportunities. We accept self-pay clients. Clients who do not have insurance coverage can be served through our sliding fee program which bases price on household income after taxes and depending on

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household size. If you have questions about your insurance coverage or pricing, please contact us for details.

- **Coordination of Care** We offer coordination of care, which is connective research, referral and follow up support to connect individuals and families to additional services to enhance recovery. We are committed to finding the right treatment for your particular needs. If we are not the best fit, we will accompany, guide, and support to find proper treatment.
- **Community Education** Behavioral Health offers Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) training, a certificate program that trains participants to recognize mental health problems and how to offer and provide initial support and guidance for a friend, family member, co-worker or neighbor in need. Trainings are both live and virtual and open to the general public. To express interest in a MHFA course, please click here.

- **Immigrants & Refugees**
  - **Comprehensive Refugee Services Who We Are**

Comprehensive Refugee Services provides care and compassion to eligible refugees living in Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties through programs designed to help them integrate into the community and achieve self-sufficiency.

Federal law determines eligibility for Comprehensive Refugee Services' programs. The following category of immigrants are eligible:

Refugees who are forced to flee their home country and are granted status before they arrive in the United States.

Cuban/Haitian entrants who enter the United States due to humanitarian reasons.

Asylees who came to the United States seeking asylum protection and have been granted asylum by immigration asylum officers or by immigration judges.

Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrants (SIV) who worked with the United States military helping with translation, interpretation, and other skills and who were granted special immigrant status.

Certified Victims of Human Trafficking (VOT) who are foreign born victims of labor or sex trafficking in the United States.

Education

English as a Second Language (ESL) is a free, 8-week English language learning program for adults with limited English skills. The classes are designed to help students learn how to read, write, speak, and comprehend in English. Students wishing to enroll in the ESL program are required to take the CASAS (Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems) placement test.

Vocational Education is a free program for adults 18 years and older who have acquired the English skills necessary to begin a technical training program. Its purpose is to assist clients in meeting their educational and career goals. Clients can continue their education through training offered by Orange Technical College–a partner of Catholic Charities of Central Florida.

Case Management

Case Management provides assistance to new-comers with referrals and follow-ups to Adult Education, Legal Services, Youth and Family Services, and Employment Services (clients

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must have an Employment Authorization Document). Case management also refers clients to partners including: the Florida Department of Children and Families, the health departments in our tri-county zone, and 4C/child care services.

Employment Services

The employment services team helps clients get suitable employment based on their skills, education, transportation, and language and mediates between employers and employees. Clients are also provided with employability preparation such as job interviews and practice, mock applications, resumes, and translation services. Job coaching is also available to help them complete necessary paperwork—including assisting both the employee and employer with the I-9 form.

Legal Services

The legal services provided by Comprehensive Refugee Services include assistance with obtaining Employment Authorization Documents (EAD), permanent residency applications, and other employment-related immigration status issues.

Immigration Legal Services provides low-cost legal representation to all individuals regardless of background, race, religion, country of origin or ability to pay. Our priority is to serve mainly low-income and indigent foreign-born individuals and their families.

Immigration Legal Services provides direct legal immigration services and representation in the following cases:

- Consultations
- Family Petitions
- Citizenship/Naturalization
- Permanent Residency
- Employment Authorization
- Consular Processing
- Immigration Court Representation
- Asylum
- Deportation/Exclusion Hearings
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)
- Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
- VAWA – self petitions for battered spouse and children
- U Visa – victims of crimes
- T Visa – victims of trafficking
- Religious Visas
- Certified Translations
- Interpretation

Youth Services

The Refugee Youth Program provides assistance in addressing the educational, language, and employment needs of vulnerable refugee/entrant youth who may be at risk of dropping out of high school, not meeting high school graduation requirements, or are in need of alternatives to a traditional high school education, with an overall goal of employment and integration.

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The program provides guidance and assistance in accessing community and school resources to support the academic and career goals of refugee youth at risk during the fist years of living in the United States.

Catholic Charities Diocese of Orlando – Catholic Charities of Central Florida – Rosemont – Multi-Ministry Service Center

Address	4300 Clarcona Ocoee Rd, Suite 401, Orlando, FL 32810
Phone	Phone: 407-658-1818
Website	https://cflcc.org/

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- Wednesday 10:00am-2:00pm
- Thursday 10:00am-2:00pm

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Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando

Address	The George & Madeline Wolly Center 2100 Lee Road Winter Park, FL 32789
Phone	Request an appointment: 407-644-7671 (Monday-Thursday 8am to 5pm) To apply call: 407-644-7593
Website	https://www.jfsorlando.org/
Email	Rabbi@JFSorlando.org
Counties served	Orange, Seminole

The mission of Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando (JFS Orlando) is to provide services that stabilize individuals & families in crisis and enhance the quality of life across generations to all members of our Central Florida community.

We aim to move lives from crisis to stability by taking a holistic approach in assisting those in need and providing a variety of wrap-around services. Our programs cover four core areas:

- Hunger
- Mental and Emotional Stability
- Homelessness Prevention
- Aging/End of Life

Services

- **Pearlman Food Pantry:** Food pick-up is **by appointment only**. Please call (407) 644-7593 or click the button below to begin your request for an appointment with JFS Orlando's Pearlman Food Pantry. Please note, pantry hours are Monday - Thursday 9AM - 4PM. Make sure to bring a photo ID.

Request an appointment: https://www.jfsorlando.org/pantry-appointment-request-form

- **Counseling:** https://www.jfsorlando.org/counseling

The Counseling, Growth, & Development Program provides individual, couple, family and group mental health counseling in a trusting, reassuring and healing atmosphere. Clinical therapists help clients cope with major life problems in a timely and effective manner and guide people through major life transitions.

- **Family Stabilization Program:** The Family Stabilization Program (FSP) is a preventative, six-month case management program. The program is designed for families to obtain self-sufficiency by teaching them critical skills and tools to resolve crises and avoid future hardships while achieving long term stability.

ext.250 (City of Orlando or Seminole County

Ext. 236 (Orange County)

- **RIDE Program:** https://www.jfsorlando.org/ride-program

Through the RIDE (Reliable Independent Drivers for the Elderly) Program, JFS provides round-trip rides to vital medical appointments for qualifying, low-income seniors or disabled adults. Program participants are entitled to two free roundtrip rides per month within a ten-mile radius of their residence. The program is for Orange and Seminole County residents only.

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Due to the Success of the RIDE program, our waitlist is temporarily closed to new clients. Please check back periodically for updated availability.

- **Chaplaincy**

The community Chaplaincy program is a pastoral outreach service that provides end of life services, burial or memorial services, and other visits, such as hospice, hospital or home visits, to the unaffiliated Jewish community. This program operates in partnership with the Greater Orlando Board of Rabbis and the Jewish Federation of Greater Orlando.

Contact Rabbi Siegel at (407) 644-7593 ext. 233 or Rabbi@JFSorlando.org

Contact

407-644-7593

Pearlman Emergency Food Pantry

Address	The George & Madeline Wolly Center 2100 Lee Road Winter Park, FL 32789
Phone	Phone: (407) 644-7593
Website	https://www.jfsorlando.org/pearlmanfoodpantry

JFS Orlando's Pearlman Food Pantry fights hunger by providing emergency food assistance to individuals and families. In 2021, JFS supplied food for 180,000 meals to alleviate hunger in Central Florida.

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Contact

JFS Orlando

Fax: (407) 209-0289

Salvation Army – Orlando Area Command / Orlando Corps

Address	416 W Colonial Dr, Orlando, FL 32804
Phone	Phone: 407-423-8581
Website	https://orlando.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Website: https://orlando.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Salvation Army – Orlando Corps

440 W Colonial Dr

Orlando, FL 32804

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services

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- **Senior Housing**
  - The William and Catherine Booth Towers are two vital programs offered to seniors. The Towers are high-rise apartment complexes for low-income senior citizens age 62 and older with a limited number of accessible units for individuals 18 and up who qualify. William and Catherine Booth Towers provide 293 one-bedroom/one-bath apartments with full amenities.
    - **We are proud that both Catherine and William Booth Towers are smoke-free facilities.**
    - The residents are provided with a facility that has: 24 hour courtesy desk, coin operated laundry rooms, recreation rooms, lounge areas and a beautiful view overlooking greater Orlando. The Tower residents have plenty of programs and activities to fill their days with fun and fellowship. Special luncheons and events take place on a regular basis providing good social activities for all of the residents to enjoy. Currently, each facility has approximately a one-year waiting list of people in need of housing at the Towers.
      1. **Catherine Booth Towers** (HUD Housing for Seniors) 625 Lake Dot Circle Orlando, Florida 32804 407-650-8180
      2. **William Booth Towers** (HUD Housing for Seniors) 633 Lake Dot Circle Orlando, Florida 32801 407-843-5533

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- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
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- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By

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providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.

- **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Salvation Army – Emergency Financial Assistance Eligibility (Orange County)

Emergency Financial Assistance is offered only on a limited basis. To qualify for our program, you must have encountered an unexpected emergency that can be supported by documentation and you must be a resident of Orange County. If you received financial assistance from another agency within the past 12 months, it is possible you will not qualify for our program, and you will be referred to another community agency.

We take calls for appointments on Friday mornings from 9:00a – 12:00p or until all appointments for the following week are booked. This information is subject to change.

During a phone screening, a staff member will ask questions to determine your eligibility, but the documentation that is required will not be asked of you until the date of your appointment, should you qualify. You must provide copies of all documents, which include:

- ID for all adult members of the household
- SS cards for every member of the household
- Birth certificates for every minor member of the household
- Bank statement from the last 90 days
- Lease/utility bills
- Proof of emergency
- Proof of income
- Proof of expenses

Please understand that financial assistance is not guaranteed and is contingent upon a supervisor's approval. Additional documentation may be required at the request of your caseworker, depending on your case.

All appointments are conducted via phone call and, when at all possible, all documentation should be delivered via email (call for more information). Emergency financial assistance is offered on a limited basis. Call Monday through Friday, 407.423.8581, Ext. 216.

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Seniors First, Inc. - In-Home Care Program – Seniors Only

Counties served	Orange, Polk, Seminole

In-Home Care

If given the choice, older adults want to remain living in their own homes for as long as possible. Each year, we provide nearly 300,000 hours of care to seniors to help them remain at home and avoid or delay nursing home or similar placements.

We assist low-income, home bound seniors aged 60+ in Orange, Seminole & Polk Counties with daily activities that have become difficult due to declining mobility and health. This includes clients referred to us who are at high risk of abuse, neglect or exploitation. Clients are charged on an income-based fee scale**. Key services include the following:**

Care Management:

A custom care plan is created for each individual. A package of essential supportive services, in-home and community**-**based, is coordinated by a care manager who monitors the senior’s needs on a regular basis.

Homemaker Service

Our homemakers provide light housekeeping and home management services such as laundry, shopping assistance and meal preparation.

Personal Care Assistance

Bathing, dressing, feeding, shaving and walking assistance.

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Companionship

Our companions relieve loneliness for isolated seniors by providing socialization, conversation and assistance with reading and personal tasks such as running errands and shopping.

Respite Care

A trained companion for your loved one to relieve caregivers for a few hours.

How to Apply

Learn more by calling us at 407-615-8987. If you meet preliminary program requirements, we will refer you to the Area Agency on Aging – Senior Resource Alliance to apply. There is a waiting list for these services**.**

Seniors First, Inc. - Meal Program (Seniors Only)

Website	https://www.seniorsfirstinc.org/services/meals-on-wheels/

Meal Programs

1 in 6 Orange County seniors struggles with hunger and may not know where their next meal will come from. That equates to about 16,000 older adults in Orange County alone, nearly enough to fill the Amway Center. Since 1973 we have offered 2 meal programs to help older adults stave off hunger. Each dietician-approved meal meets 1/3 of the recommended daily allowance and is suitable for most diabetic and low-sodium diets.

Meals on Wheels

As the sole Meals on Wheels provider for Orange County, we deliver over 350,000 meals to hundreds of seniors each year. Our volunteers’ warm smiles and friendly conversation are the highlights of many seniors’ days.

Over 300 volunteers deliver a nutritious lunch and optional cold breakfast to the homes of Orange County seniors 60+ up, Monday through Friday, up to 5 days per week. Frozen meals are served in select areas. Volunteers begin delivering at 9 or 10am depending on route and individuals must be home to receive meals. The program targets low-income seniors who have difficulty preparing food, but those with higher incomes can avoid the waitlist by purchasing meals. Case Managers provide referrals and assess seniors’ ongoing needs.

Emergency Meals on Wheels

Under the Meals on Wheels umbrella is our Emergency Meals program. Emergency Meals helps seniors who have recently been discharged from a healthcare facility or are experiencing a crisis situation by providing 30 days of nutritious meals to aid in their recovery at home. This service can be extended when circumstances warrant.

Eligibility

Program participants must be 60 years of age or older, Orange County residents, basically homebound, and have an impairment or disability that impacts their ability to grocery shop and cook meals. Seniors must be assessed to see if they qualify to participate in the free meal program.

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How it Works

Balanced meals are prepared with special attention to the dietary and nutritional needs of the aging population we serve. Meals are delivered daily Monday – Friday mornings in most areas of Orange County and seniors must be home to receive their meals. Some areas are designated to receive a weekly delivery of frozen meals.

Apply For Meals

Seniors can purchase meals or apply for the free meal program wait list for Orange County. Please call 407.615.8987 to learn more or to complete an application.

NEIGHBORHOOD LUNCH (with transportation)

For more active seniors, Neighborhood Lunch has been providing nutritionally-balanced meals and social activities at 14 donated sites throughout Orange County since 1973. We serve over 100,000 meals to hundreds of seniors annually.

The cornerstone of this program is the fellowship and camaraderie seniors feel from spending time with others their age to offset the social isolation that is so common. Orange County seniors 60+ with limited income come to our sites up to 5 days a week to enjoy a luncheon meal and engage with peers. Social activities include games, holiday and birthday celebrations, field and shopping trips, health and educational seminars, music and exercise. Roundtrip, door-to-door van service is provided to those who lack transportation. Days and times vary by location so please call to reserve your spot and apply for the lunch program today.

Locations

The program serves senior citizens residing in Orange County. Please call 407.615.8987 to learn more or to complete an application.

Contact

Meals on Wheels
T: 407-615-8982
F: 407-292-2773

Neighborhood Lunch with Transportation
T: 407-615-8970
F: 407-292-2773

Stepping Stone Medical Equipment Bank
3711 Vineland Road
Orlando, FL 32811
T: 407-649-4100
F: 407-649-4200

In-home Care
T: 407-292-0177 Orange and Seminole Counties
T: 863-519-1020 Polk County

Guardianship Program
Orange and Seminole Counties
T: 407-297-9980
F: 407-521-0577

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orlando (Orange County Conferences)

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Phone	Helpline 407.889.4706 407-481-3223
Website	https://svdporlando.org/need-help%3F

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- Disaster relief
- Emergency financial services
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- Access to our four Thrift Stores to obtain basic items of clothing, household goods, and furniture for individuals and families in need

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HOLY FAMILY - ORLANDO

https://svdpholyfamily.org/

RESURRECTION - WINTER GARDEN

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407-245-7307

1211 Winter Garden Vineland Rd., Winter Garden, Florida 34787 **ST. ANDREW -** ORLANDO

321-319-0063

801 N. Hastings St., Orlando, FL 32808

ST. JAMES CATHEDRAL - ORLANDO

407-648-9472

215 N Orange Ave Orlando, FL 32801

ST. JOHN VIANNEY - ORLANDO

407-826-4898

6200 S Orange Blossom Trl, Orlando, FL 32809

United Against Poverty

Website	https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/
Counties served	Indian River, St. Lucie

https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/ United Against Poverty is a registered 501c3 nonprofit with campuses in Indian River County, Orlando, and St. Lucie County Florida. Our mission is to serve those in poverty by providing crisis care, case management, transformative education, food and household subsidy, employment training and active referrals to other collaborative social service providers.

Emergency Food assistance

Our Member Share Grocery Program is a dignified food and household assistance program that allows members to select the nutritious food items they choose.

Here’s how it works:

Qualified Families who are living in the 200% or below Federal Poverty Level must fill out an application. Upon qualification, they receive a free Member Card. Once they are given a card, they can select any food or household product they may need for their households. This provides the basic needs, the variety and the nutritious food needed for them and their families. Our Program Members contribute a nominal handling fee per item, to cover costs of picking up donations. This contribution gives them dignity and empowerment to engage in the life changing transformational programs we offer at UP. Any proceeds from those contributions are directed back into the support of facilitating our life changing programs.

Member Share Grocery Program Hours of Operation

Monday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Tuesday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Thursday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

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Sunday: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Qualified members can save up to 70% of their household food and product budget.

Membership is free. *Check below to see if your household qualifies to be part of this nonprofit grocery program.

Household Size Annual Household Income At/Below

1 $27,180

2 $36,620

3 $46,060

4 $55,500

*For households with more than 4 people, add $8,960 for each additional person.

English Form: https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/campus/st-lucie/

Spanish Form: https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/campus/st-lucie/

Contact

UP St. Lucie
2520 Orange Avenue
Fort Pierce, FL 34947
772-468-8543

UP Orlando
150 W Michigan St
Orlando, FL 32806
(407) 650-0774

UP Indian River (North)
1400 27th Street
Vero Beach, FL 32960
772-564-9365

UP Indian River (South)
1050 Old Dixie Highway SW
Vero Beach, FL 32962
772-564-9365

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Osceola County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Orlando – Catholic Charities of Central Florida – Holy Redeemer – Multi-Ministry Service Center

Address	1603 N Thacker Ave Kissimmee, FL 34741
Phone	Phone: 407-658-1818
Website	https://cflcc.org/

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PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **Family Stability Program Who We Are**

The Family Stability Program provides homeless prevention and rapid rehousing services to men, women and families who are either experiencing homelessness or are at risk of being homeless. Financial assistance is provided to those in need who meet the eligibility criteria for various funding sources. The eligibility criteria and the amount of funding available varies by funding source, the location where assistance is needed and the situation and circumstances of those in need. A comprehensive assessment completed by a Family Stability Program case manager determines eligibility. We serve clients from the following nine counties: Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Polk, Seminole, Volusia, and Sumter counties. Click here for information on COVID-19 pandemic-related rental assistance: https://cflcc.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/11/ESG-FLYER.pdf

Meet with a Case Manager: In Osceola County, please call (407) 658-1818.

- **Agape Mission Markets Who We Are**

The Agape Mission Markets are food pantries, where those in need can receive meats, fresh fruits, vegetables, and more that best meet their nutritional and personal preferences. The Agape Mission Markets are made possible thanks to the help of Second Harvest Food Bank, Orange County Government, Publix, and the United Way. The Kissimmee Agape Mission Market is located at the Holy Redeemer – Multi-Ministry Service Center at 1603 N Thacker Ave, Kissimmee, FL 34741, and is open during the following days/hours:

- Tuesday 9:00am-12:00pm
  - Thursday 9:00am-12:00pm
- **Immigrants & Refugees**
  - **Comprehensive Refugee Services Who We Are**

Comprehensive Refugee Services provides care and compassion to eligible refugees living in Orange, Osceola and Seminole Counties through programs designed to help them integrate into the community and achieve self-sufficiency.

Federal law determines eligibility for Comprehensive Refugee Services' programs. The following category of immigrants are eligible:

Refugees who are forced to flee their home country and are granted status before they arrive in the United States.

Cuban/Haitian entrants who enter the United States due to humanitarian reasons.

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Asylees who came to the United States seeking asylum protection and have been granted asylum by immigration asylum officers or by immigration judges.

Afghan and Iraqi Special Immigrants (SIV) who worked with the United States military helping with translation, interpretation, and other skills and who were granted special immigrant status.

Certified Victims of Human Trafficking (VOT) who are foreign born victims of labor or sex trafficking in the United States.

Education

English as a Second Language (ESL) is a free, 8-week English language learning program for adults with limited English skills. The classes are designed to help students learn how to read, write, speak, and comprehend in English. Students wishing to enroll in the ESL program are required to take the CASAS (Comprehensive Adult Student Assessment Systems) placement test.

Vocational Education is a free program for adults 18 years and older who have acquired the English skills necessary to begin a technical training program. Its purpose is to assist clients in meeting their educational and career goals. Clients can continue their education through training offered by Orange Technical College–a partner of Catholic Charities of Central Florida.

Case Management

Case Management provides assistance to new-comers with referrals and follow-ups to Adult Education, Legal Services, Youth and Family Services, and Employment Services (clients must have an Employment Authorization Document). Case management also refers clients to partners including: the Florida Department of Children and Families, the health departments in our tri-county zone, and 4C/child care services.

Employment Services

The employment services team helps clients get suitable employment based on their skills, education, transportation, and language and mediates between employers and employees. Clients are also provided with employability preparation such as job interviews and practice, mock applications, resumes, and translation services. Job coaching is also available to help them complete necessary paperwork—including assisting both the employee and employer with the I-9 form.

Legal Services

The legal services provided by Comprehensive Refugee Services include assistance with obtaining Employment Authorization Documents (EAD), permanent residency applications, and other employment-related immigration status issues.

Immigration Legal Services provides low-cost legal representation to all individuals regardless of background, race, religion, country of origin or ability to pay. Our priority is to serve mainly low-income and indigent foreign-born individuals and their families.

Immigration Legal Services provides direct legal immigration services and representation in the following cases:

- Consultations
- Family Petitions
- Citizenship/Naturalization

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- Permanent Residency
- Employment Authorization
- Consular Processing
- Immigration Court Representation
- Asylum
- Deportation/Exclusion Hearings
- Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA)
- Temporary Protected Status (TPS)
- VAWA – self petitions for battered spouse and children
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- T Visa – victims of trafficking
- Religious Visas
- Certified Translations
- Interpretation

Youth Services

The Refugee Youth Program provides assistance in addressing the educational, language, and employment needs of vulnerable refugee/entrant youth who may be at risk of dropping out of high school, not meeting high school graduation requirements, or are in need of alternatives to a traditional high school education, with an overall goal of employment and integration.

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CORPUS CHRISTI – KISSIMMEE

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Palm Beach County

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach, Inc. – Boca Raton

Address	370 SW 3rd Street, Boca Raton, FL 33432
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St. Mary's Center

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- **Hunger Homeless Outreach**

Catholic Charities Hunger Homeless Outreach provides emergency services that assist individuals and families to attain economic stability and self-sufficiency through the provision of support services and appropriate referrals when necessary. Over the past year, Catholic Charities has made a strategic effort to develop and grow this program with the intention of providing more direct services to the community and those in need.

With its knowledge of the extensive range of resources available in the community, this program provides basic information and referrals but has also grown to provide the following direct services:

- Rent and utility assistance
- Assistance screening: helping to screen clients to see if they qualify for available resources including food stamps (SNAP) and Medicaid.
- Benefit Enrollment: provide help in enrolling those who qualify for assistance benefits.
- Food and transportation assistance

For assistance from this program, please call 561-345-2007. If you are experiencing homelessness, call the Senator Philip D. Lewis Homeless Resource Center at (561) 904-7900.

- **Senator Philip D. Lewis Homeless Resource Center** The Senator Philip D. Lewis Homeless Resource Center is the centralized point-of-entry for families and individuals experiencing homelessness in Palm Beach County. Adopt-A-Family proudly operates the Family Division of the HRC, navigating over 500 families with children annually. Our Family Navigators help families access the help they need – starting, first and foremost, with shelter. Families are offered a number of supportive services, including an initial assessment, housing placement, and comprehensive case management, ensuring they are connected to the aid they need the most. Several initiatives at the HRC work together in harmony to ensure housing solutions are secured for over 300 families a year: The Housing Specialists lead our Rapid Re-Housing program, which offers declining rental assistance and housing placement to families who need to secure a rental unit quickly; Diversion helps direct families to programs and resources best suited to their needs; Our

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Connecting Youth to Opportunities (CYTO), CYTO2, and Youth Establishing Stability programs serve parenting young adults ages 18-24. To reach the Homeless Resource Center, call (561) 904-7900.

- **Immigration Legal Services**

A multi-lingual, multi-cultural staff in three locations provides legal services to foreign-born individuals in need of immigration assistance. The program's focus is primarily on family reunification and includes:

- Family Petitions (I-130)
- Adjustment application before US Citizenship and Immigration Services
- Employment authorization under various programs
- Removal of conditional residence
- Fiancée Visa
- Re-entry permits
- NACARA applications
- Temporary Protective Status
- Unaccompanied Minors
- Affirmative Asylum Applications
- Naturalization applications
- Limited court representations
- VAWA (Violence Against Women Act) self petitions
- Special Immigrant Petitions (Juveniles and Religious Workers)
- Assistance with Consular process
- “U” Visa Applications for Victims of Crime
- “T” Visa Applications for Victims of Human Trafficking
- Limited Labor Certifications and Employment-Based Visas
- TPS Applications (current countries eligible; Burma (Myanmar) El Salvador, Haiti, Honduras, Nepal, Nicaragua, Somalia, Sudan, South Sudan, Syria, Venezuela, Yemen).
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Feeding South Florida

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Counties served	Broward, Miami-Dade, Monroe, Palm Beach

Feeding South Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Palm Beach, Broward, Miami-Dade, and Monroe Counties. More than 98% of all donations are put back into the community.

Through innovative direct-service programs and a network of nonprofit partner agencies, Feeding South Florida distributed nearly 176 million pounds of food (146 million meals) last year to over 1.4 million individuals.

Contact

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Pembroke Park, FL 33023
954.518.1818
contact@feedingsouthflorida.org
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Food + Benefits Assistance
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Feeding Palm Beach County
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Salvation Army – Boca Raton Service Center

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  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Salvation Army – Palm Beach Area Command

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- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide

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educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

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- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

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The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Salvation Army – West Palm Beach Center of Hope

Address	1577 N Military Trl, West Palm Beach, FL 33409
Phone	Phone: 561-682-1118
Website	https://westpalmbeach.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Website: https://westpalmbeach.salvationarmyflorida.org/

Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

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Salvation Army – West Palm Beach Corps

Address	2122 Palm Beach Lakes Blvd, West Palm Beach, FL 33409
Phone	Phone: 561-686-3530
Website	https://westpalmbeach.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Palm Beach County

Address	6801 Lake Worth Rd., Suite 216, Greenacres, FL 33467
Phone	Call (561) 444-2195 or email service@svdp-palmbeach.org. Call: (561) 697-9699
Website	https://www.svdp-palmbeach.org/
Email	service@svdp-palmbeach.org

The Society of St Vincent de Paul District Council of Palm Beach

For client assistance:

Call (561) 697-9699 (If it is busy, please leave a message. Assistance is provided by appointment)

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For administration only:

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is dedicated to aiding those less fortunate. Established in West Palm Beach we have aided the less fortunate for over 50 years. Many of those we helped were able to get back on their feet and start their lives a new.

Those in need are served by 15 local Conferences, a food distribution warehouse, a thrift store and several food pantries. The Society also supports twinning projects which assist the needy in Haiti and other areas of Latin America as well as local projects in Pahokee and Indiantown.

HOW DO WE HELP OUR FRIENDS IN NEED?

Thank you for the opportunity to present our programs. Over the last year the Society has continued to fill in the gaps which our social service agencies have not been able to cover. Over 3,000 people in need are referred to the Society by the County 211 emergency agency and other agencies each year. These families need emergency assistance with food, rent, electric, medicine and many other types of assistance.

Several times a week, we receive calls from homeless families many of whom are living in their cars. These friends in need are referred to the Lewis Center which is the County's homeless processing center. Many come back to us because the Lewis Center has a long waiting list and cannot always provide the necessary services. St. Vincent de Paul is a member of the Palm Beach County Homeless and Housing Alliance.

REQUEST ASSISTANCE

Last year the Society answered over 3,500 calls for assistance. If you are homeless, near homeless or facing some other crisis, we are here to help.

Our members will make a home visit to discuss your needs. Assistance is provided by appointment.

HOME VISITS

The most basic activity of a Conference is the home visit where the needs can be determined and assistance arranged. Visits can be arranged by calling (561) 697-9699.

OTHER ASSISTANCE

The Society members can often provide assistance with critical needs including utilities, rent, medicine and food. There is no work of charity foreign to the Society.

BULK FOOD PROGRAM

The Society delivers over 800 cases of food per month to support the needy. Food goes to our local Conferences, soup kitchens, food pantries and churches.

PALM BEACH COUNTY CONFERENCES:

Society of St. Vincent de Paul

St. Therese de Lisieux Conference

11800 Lake Worth Rd.

Wellington, FL 33449

https://www.svdp-palmbeach.org/

Society of St Vincent de Paul

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Misión Cristiana Elim Conference

3757 S Military Trl, Lake Worth, FL 33463

https://www.facebook.com/IGLESIAELIMWPB/

Service in English and Spanish

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Pasco County

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. – Pasco County (Dade City and Hudson Administrative Offices)

Address	37733 Meridian Ave., Dade City, FL 33525
Phone	Phone: (352) 521-1218 Phone: (727) 861-4840
Website	https://www.pascocountyfl.gov/services/community_development/index.php
Email	mborregowaterman@ccdosp.org

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. – Pasco County (Dade City Administrative Offices)

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40430, St. Petersburg, Florida 33743-0430

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. – Pasco County (Hudson Administrative Offices)

12139 Majestic Blvd.

Hudson, FL 34667

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40430, St. Petersburg, Florida 33743-0430

ABOUT US

Catholic Charities celebrated its 75th Anniversary in 2020! For those 75 years, Catholic Charities has worked in the Greater Tampa area providing strategic alliances, advocacy and a broad array of social services designed to support and preserve families and promote self-sufficiency.

The Agency serves all residents of Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas counties regardless of race, creed, gender, national origin, handicapping condition or socioeconomic status.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Shelters of Hope (Housing Services)** Catholic Charities provides over 1,800 units of affordable housing to qualified individuals and families. Provide shelter to over 400 individuals through 5 shelters.
- **We offer housing to:**
- Homeless men and women
- Homeless families
- Homeless veterans
- Female head of households suffering from abuse
- Female head of households with a positive HIV/AIDS diagnosis
- Low-income families
- Elderly adults with limited, fixed incomes
- Migrant farm worker families
- Immigrant families

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- **Catholic Charities Family Housing** 12 family-friendly apartment buildings with 419 units throughout Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Hernando counties. Three additional buildings (one in Citrus and two in Hillsborough counties) will add an additional 48 units by December 2022.
    - **Arbor Villa Apartments**

Eighty (80) 2 bedroom/bath apartments located in east Pasco County. Well-maintained, hidden gem nestled away in the outskirts of Port Richey, within walking distance of shopping. For information, call (727) 697-3994.

- **Bethany Family Apartments**

Twelve (12) two-bedroom apartments located in Pasco County just off S.R. 52 in historic Dade City, by the high school. It is located close to the town, schools and shopping. For information, call (813) 443-5065.

- **Palm Island**

Twenty-one (21) 2 bedroom/2 bath apartment homes in New Port Richey in east Pasco County. Newly renovated and energy efficient. Remote location that is 5-10 minutes from the heart of town via auto. For information, call (727) 697-3994.

- **Pasco Family Shelter**

Established October 2021. The Pasco Family Shelter offers shelter, clothing, food, counseling and more to nine families at any given time. We are funded by the Pasco County Community Development Department and through private donations. We work closely with the Coalition for the Homeless of Pasco County, who vet clients and direct them to the shelter and assist us in moving them to the homes we find them. We also rely on the support of the community – from meal donations (Carrabba's Italian Grill – Port Richey, Our Lady Queen of Peace, St. James the Apostle, St. Peter the Apostle and more) to donations of clothing and household items (e.g., Society of St. Vincent de Paul Thrift Store in New Port Richey) and Christmas Presents for the children (a former Catholic Charities client, Donna Miller, now a successful St. Petersburg realtor, who has been giving back to those in need for years).

- **Felicity House**

Four–month transitional shelter (28 beds) for women who are homeless. Clients are charged a nominal weekly fee. Case Managers help clients navigate services to gain employment and achieve housing stability. Referrals to outside services are provided, including mental health and substance abuse counseling, childcare referrals, employment and education assistance, life skills classes, and more. Staff are on-site 24-hours to provide assistance. How to Contact: (727) 861-4840.

- **Senior Housing (HUD 202)**

14 apartment buildings with 1,055 units for those 62 or older on a low-fixed income throughout Pinellas, Hillsborough, and Pasco counties. HUD 202 Low-Income Senior Service Housing located in Pasco, Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties. As the Management Agent we are responsible for the upkeep of the facilities, hiring and training of staff, working with the owner board, all accounting procedures, and partnering with HUD to create housing and allowing those we serve to age in place with pride and dignity.

Catholic Charities Community Development Corporation manages fourteen (14) of the Diocesan owned HUD 202 facilities with 1,055 rooms. **Contact Us**

Telephone: 727-893-1313, extension 151

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Email: mborregowaterman@ccdosp.org

Mailing Address:

905 S. Prospect Ave.

Clearwater, FL 33756

- **Financial Assistance – Pasco County**
  - **Pasco County H.E.A.R.T. 2.0 Assistance Program** The Pasco Board of County Commissioners is continuing this financial assistance program, Pasco H.E.A.R.T. Program*, for people experiencing economic hardship due to COVID-19. Pasco Community Development is partnering with several local non-profit agencies to help pay bills directly for renters in Pasco County who meet the Pasco H.E.A.R.T. Program guidelines. Bills eligible for payment include:
    - Rent (past, current and future)
      - Utilities (water & electric)

*To qualify for Pasco H.E.A.R.T. funding, you must be a U.S. citizen (or have legal status) and Pasco County resident, who meets the income guidelines of 80 percent or below of the Area Median Income and has been economically impacted by COVID-19. Those households who earn less than 50% of the Area Median Income, as well as applicants who have been unemployed for 90s days or more, will be prioritized.

Catholic Charities is no longer administering this program. However, use the link below to “learn more” and how to apply: https://www.pascocountyfl.gov/services/community_development/index.php

- **TECO Utility Assistance**

The TECO Share (click on “Share’ to learn more) program is a financial assistance program sponsored by TECO (Tampa Electric). Its goal is to pay basic home energy expenses (electric and gas) for customers who qualify. The assistance provides up to $450 to cover past due energy bills.

Apply here: https://ccdosp.jotform.com/form/202903751738155

- **For more information or questions about available financial assistance programs, contact us here: https://ccdosp.jotform.com/form/202113795121142. Your message will be forwarded to the first available Case Manager. Or you can reach us by phone: (352) 523-6958.**
  - **Catholic Charities FREE Medical Clinics What We Do:**
  - We work with volunteer medical professionals (physicians, nurses and other health and social service professionals) to provide FREE medical care, health promotion, and social services to the rural poor of eastern and southern Hillsborough County, and eastern Pasco County. Our clinics operate under the auspices of the State of Florida Department of Health Volunteer Health Care Provider Program targeting low-income households in need of healthcare coverage.

Who We Serve:

- We provide FREE services to patients who are unable to receive medical services because they are not covered by employer-provided or self-purchased insurance or other programs AND whose household income is below 200% of the Federal poverty level.

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Services *

* Primary Medical Care: follow-up & referrals * Acute Medical Care: secondary treatment for short-term illness * Routine Well Woman Exams: Gynecology Exams * Lab Work * Assist Patients Navigate Health Care System * Children's Physicals and Immunizations * Health Promotion and Disease Prevention * Health Screenings: high blood pressure & diabetes * Vision Screening * Dental referrals

* Not all services are available at each location, please call to confirm.

Contact Information

- Key Contact: Karen Pena, Clinic Administrator
- Telephone: Office: (813) 633-2576 Cell: (727) 338-8916
- Fax: (813) 970-0645
- Mailing Address:

Catholic Charities Free Medical Clinic – La Esperanza 16640 S. U.S. Hwy. 301, Ste. 1, Wimauma, FL 33598

Pasco County Clinics:

- **St. Andre Free Medical Clinic**

37733 Meridian Ave., Dade City, FL 33525 | (352) 521-1218

Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

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Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We’re here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

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Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We’re here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S’Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

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Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead,

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- **Onsite Food Pantry**

Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Pasco County

Address	7944 Grand Blvd., Port Richey, FL 34668
Phone	8014 State Road 52 Hudson, Florida 34667 Phone: (727) 819-5170
Website	https://svdppascofl.org/index.htm
Email	svdppasco@gmail.com, office@ladyqueenofpeace.org

The Society of St Vincent de Paul District Council of Pasco, Inc. (Thrift Store)

https://svdppascofl.org/index.htm Phone: 727-845-8283 FAX: 727-849-2421

Email: svdppasco@gmail.com

Our organization is made up of chapters called "conferences". Conferences are parish and/or community based groups of lay volunteers that provide direct services and referrals to the poor and needy individuals and families. By becoming personally involved in helping the poor in its community, conference members seek to grow and develop in their spiritual lives.

A conference works within the boundaries of the affiliated parish. Each parish conference determines programs that best service the needs of the community which can be limited by the number of members in a conference and the amount of donations received. Please contact the conference nearest to your place of residence.

Pasco County Conferences

Our Lady Queen of Peace Conference

5320 Shaw Street New Port Richey, Florida 34652 Phone: (727) 845-4955 Fax: (727) 841-6877

Website: www.ladyqueenofpeace.org/

Email: office@ladyqueenofpeace.org

Pantry Hours: Monday, Thursday, Friday 10am - noon Tuesday, 12 - 2pm Wednesday, Saturday, CLOSED

St Anthony of Padua Conference

32832 St Anthony Way San Antonio, Florida 33576 Phone: (352) 588-2243 Website: saopccfl.org/

Pantry Hours: Saturday, 8:30am - 11am If you are requesting financial assistance with utilities, rent, etc. please call the St. Vincent de Paul Society at (352) 588-2243. Leave a message regarding the type of assistance needed and a call-back number. A representative will return your call within 24-48 hours.

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St James the Apostle Conference

8327 Monarch Drive Port Richey, Florida 34668 Phone: (727) 862-8580 Website: www.stjamesportrichey.org/st-vincent-de-paul-society

Pantry Hours: Monday, Thursday, Friday 10am - Noon Tuesday 11:30am - 1:30pm Wednesday: CLOSED After interviewing with a staff member in our offices, we help all those living in our parish boundaries with food once a month. Once a year, we give some financial assistance for utilities, transportation, medicine and other miscellaneous aid. In speaking with our clients we share their concerns and encourage them with our prayerful spiritual support.

St Michael the Archangel Conference

Website: www.saintmichaelchurch.org/

Email: office@saintmichaelchurch.org

Pantry Hours: Monday, Thursday, Friday 10am - Noon Tuesday 11:30am - 1:30pm Wednesday: CLOSED After interviewing with a staff member in our offices, we help all those living in our parish boundaries with food once a month. Once a year, we give some financial assistance for utilities, transportation, medicine and other miscellaneous aid. In speaking with our clients we share their concerns and encourage them with our prayerful spiritual support.

- The **Resource Center** is co-located at this address in Module 5. Phone: (727) 868-8160

St Peter the Apostle Conference

12747 Interlaken Road Trinity, Florida 34655 **Phone:** (727) 807-3234 or (727) 264-8968 **Fax:** (727) 264-8969 **Website: sptatrinity.org/st-vincent-de-paul Email: office@sptatrinity.org**

Pantry Hours: Monday and Wednesday, 10am -1:00pm

The St Peter the Apostle St Vincent de Paul Society works to help people in need who live within the parish boundaries of the church. Our food pantry is open as per the listed days and times except holidays. We can also help financially with utility bills, rent, etc. for qualifying residents regardless of race, color, religion or creed.

St Thomas Aquinas Conference

8320 Old State Road #54 New Port Richey, Florida 34653 (727) 372-8600, EXT. 142 **Website: stanpr.org/st-vincent-de-paul/**

Pantry Hours: Monday, & Thursday, 9:30am - 11:00am; 1:30pm - 3:30pm If financial assistance is needed, individuals should call the listed number and leave a message indicating their name, complete address, call-back number and the type of assistance needed. A SVDP volunteer will return your call.

St Vincent de Paul Conference

5010 Mile Stretch Drive

Holiday, Florida 34690

727-942-6659

Website: www.svdpfl.com/

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Our Lady of the Rosary Conference

2348 Collier Parkway P.O. Box 1229 Land O’ Lakes, FL 34639 Phone: (813) 949-6094

Website: ladyrosary.org/svdp

Pantry Hours: Thursday 9am - 11:30am Finances permitting, the conference is able to help with payment of utility, rent and other emergency items. If a client needs help, he or she should call the above listed number, and leave a call back number and a clear message stating the help needed. A SVDP representative will return the call. Any financial assistance requires a home visit.

St Rita Conference

14404 14th Street Dade City, Florida 33523 **Phone:** (813) 713-8323 **Website:** **stritaparish.org/**

Pantry Hours: Thursday, 10am – Noon

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Pinellas County

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. – Pinellas County (Clearwater and St. Petersburg Administrative Offices)

Address	905 S. Prospect Ave., Clearwater, FL 33756
Phone	Phone: (727) 893-1313 Phone: (727) 893-1314
Website	https://pinellashope.org
Email	mborregowaterman@ccdosp.org

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. – Pinellas County (Clearwater Administrative Offices)

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40430, St. Petersburg, Florida 33743-0430

Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc. – Pinellas County (St. Petersburg Administrative Offices – NO SERVICES PROVIDED AT THIS OFFICE)

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 40430, St. Petersburg, Florida 33743-0430

ABOUT US

Catholic Charities celebrated its 75th Anniversary in 2020! For those 75 years, Catholic Charities has worked in the Greater Tampa area providing strategic alliances, advocacy and a broad array of social services designed to support and preserve families and promote self-sufficiency.

The Agency serves all residents of Citrus, Hernando, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Pinellas counties regardless of race, creed, gender, national origin, handicapping condition or socioeconomic status.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **Shelters of Hope (Housing Services)** Catholic Charities provides over 1,800 units of affordable housing to qualified individuals and families. Provide shelter to over 400 individuals through 5 shelters.
- **We offer housing to:**
- Homeless men and women
- Homeless families
- Homeless veterans
- Female head of households suffering from abuse
- Female head of households with a positive HIV/AIDS diagnosis
- Low-income families
- Elderly adults with limited, fixed incomes
- Migrant farm worker families
- Immigrant families
- **Catholic Charities Family Housing** 12 family-friendly apartment buildings with 419 units throughout Pinellas, Hillsborough, Pasco, and Hernando counties. Three additional

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buildings (one in Citrus and two in Hillsborough counties) will add an additional 48 units by December 2022.

- **Fountain View**

Ten (10) 4 bedroom/2 bath apartments located in Pinellas County near downtown St. Petersburg (Pinellas County), on 13th Avenue South just west of 4th Street. Newly renovated. For information, call (727) 399-2500.

- **Pinellas Village**

One Hundred Twenty (120) 2 bedroom/2 bath apartments for families with children located in the heart of Pinellas County. For information, call (727) 399-2500.

- **Pinellas Hope Homeless Shelter**

Pinellas Hope, a program of Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, opened on 10 acres of land provided by Bishop Robert N. Lynch and the Diocese of St. Petersburg. It was developed as a pilot program in December 2007 and continues to provide a comprehensive array of services and shelter to homeless individuals. Today, Pinellas Hope continues its mission of providing a safe living environment and the necessary support for homeless adults to become self-sufficient. Services include adult education, clothing ministry, feeding the hungry, medical respite, mental health resources, emergency shelter, and permanent supportive housing. Since its formation, Pinellas Hope has served over 15,000 people.

Contact:

5726 126th Avenue North

Clearwater, Florida 33760

https://pinellashope.org

(727) 556-6397 Office

- **Senior Housing (HUD 202)**

14 apartment buildings with 1,055 units for those 62 or older on a low-fixed income throughout Pinellas, Hillsborough, and Pasco counties. HUD 202 Low-Income Senior Service Housing located in Pasco, Pinellas and Hillsborough Counties. As the Management Agent we are responsible for the upkeep of the facilities, hiring and training of staff, working with the owner board, all accounting procedures, and partnering with HUD to create housing and allowing those we serve to age in place with pride and dignity.

Catholic Charities Community Development Corporation manages fourteen (14) of the Diocesan owned HUD 202 facilities with 1,055 rooms. **Contact Us**

Telephone: 727-893-1313, extension 151

Email: mborregowaterman@ccdosp.org

Mailing Address:

905 S. Prospect Ave.

Clearwater, FL 33756

- **Financial Assistance – Pinellas County**
  - **City of St. Petersburg – Rent & Utility Assistance**

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For individuals who require assistance due to circumstances not related to COVID-19, please complete the application here: https://www.ccdosp.org/rent-utility/

- **Duke Energy Utility Assistance**

For individuals who require utility assistance exclusively, Duke Energy has provided funds to assist you. Please complete the form here to determine if you are eligible for this assistance: https://ccdosp.jotform.com/form/202903751738155

- **Pinellas County – Rent & Utility Assistance**

None available presently. Check back at a later date.

- **TECO Utility Assistance**

The TECO Share (click on “Share’ to learn more) program is a financial assistance program sponsored by TECO (Tampa Electric). Its goal is to pay basic home energy expenses (electric and gas) for customers who qualify. The assistance provides up to $450 to cover past due energy bills.

Apply here: https://ccdosp.jotform.com/form/202903751738155

- **For more information or questions about available programs, contact us here: https://ccdosp.jotform.com/form/202113795121142. Your message will be forwarded to the first available Case Manager. Or, call (727) 893-1313.**

Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

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Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We’re here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

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Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We’re here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S’Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

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Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead,

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walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

- **Onsite Food Pantry**

Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Salvation Army – St. Petersburg Area Command

Address	340 14th Ave S., St. Petersburg, FL 33701
Phone	Phone: (727) 550-8080
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/st-petersburg/14th-ave-s/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

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St. Petersburg Bob and Margaret Keelean Sallie House and Children Shelter

The Salvation Army excels in sheltering and transitional housing, and St. Petersburg, Florida, exemplifies that excellence, offering a unique set of programs that serve a considerable need in the community.

The Sallie House, which began operation in 1990, exists as a safe haven for children up to 17 years of age who have been removed from their home because of abuse, neglect or abandonment. The physical structure operates in dormitory style in conjunction with local and state authorities, with the Army providing a place of respite for young people in need.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer

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camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Salvation Army – St. Petersburg Citadel Corps

Address	3800 9th Ave N, St. Petersburg, FL 33713
Phone	Phone: 727-323-2222
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/st-petersburg/14th-ave-s/

Website: https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/st-petersburg/14th-ave-s/

Services Offered at This Location:

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Clearwater, FL – Community Kitchen and Resource Center

Address	1345 Park Street, Clearwater, FL 33765
Website	https://www.svdpclearwaterfl.org/
Email	Christine@svdpclearwaterfl.org, Admin@svdpclearwaterfl.org

St. Vincent de Paul Community Kitchen and Resource Center

(727) 441-3790 Christine Bond, Executive Director: Christine@svdpclearwaterfl.org

Information and Support: Admin@svdpclearwaterfl.org

They come from all walks of life, from all ages and stages. Born into poverty, a few bad decisions, a job loss or furlough, a family torn apart, the death of a breadwinner, a substance abuse problem or mental illness or unexpected expenses.

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Regardless of their journey, they arrive daily at St. Vincent de Paul Community Kitchen and Resource Center. They come for nourishment, for solace, for hope, for human dignity and, perhaps…for a second chance.

Services

- **Food - 150 Meals X 365:** The day starts early. Volunteers begin arriving as early as 4:00 AM. They know that when dawn arrives, more than 150 individuals will show up - many from a night on the street. Beyond the traditional "soup kitchen" guests are treated to a full meal, a warm welcome, a place of respite and respect. Towards the end of the month, many residents who face regular food insecurity (not enough in their paychecks to cover food) also join us. Parents, too, who sacrifice their own evening meals so that there is food on the table for their children. Our programs are supported through funding from the Pinellas Community Foundation, the City of Clearwater and private donors.
- **Dignity:** We participate in the Pinellas Homeless Management Information System (PHMIS) through the Homeless Leadership Alliance, which registers clients for social services and provides identification cards. We distribute bus passes for doctor's appointments and clients seeking employment. We also provide a postal address for receiving mail and packages. We provide clothing vouchers for the SVdP Thrift Store, and toiletries and hygiene products. We connect them with resources, including addiction services, mental health counseling, medical care, housing assistance and job placement.
- **Health & Hygiene:** We provide facilities for over 5,720 hot showers a year with soap, shampoo, conditioner and towels. We offer clothing and free laundry facilities to clients to maintain personal hygiene and health. We distribute wheelchairs and glasses from community donations. We host Pinellas County Health Services' Mobile Medical Unit weekly which evaluates client health needs and provides referrals to health services available to eligible clients in the community. Additionally, medical volunteers are on-site on Tuesdays.
- **S.T.E.P. (Survive the Elements Program):** As donations and collection drives allow, the SVdP distributes items to help chronically homeless people, survive against exposure to the elements. Critical items include: socks, survival whistles, insulated thermoses, rain ponchos, used/refurbished or mended backpacks, and sleeping mats. S.T. E. P. bags containing lip balm, toothbrush, toothpaste, dental pick, deodorant, hairbrush, face/body anti-bacterial wipes, washcloth, disposable razor, and sunscreen are given to help maintain hygiene and healthier living.
- **S.T.E.P. for Seniors:** STEP (Survive the Elements) for Seniors (also weekly) provides clothing and gear to assist homeless clients in compensating for the health and safety deficits incurred by chronic exposure to environmental conditions while living outdoors. The gear provided includes insect repellent, sunblock, lip ointment, deodorant, medicated pain creams, hand sanitizer, first aid kit products and antibiotic ointment. Tarps, flashlights, ponchos and umbrellas are provided as needed. The Senior Citizens Services fund through Pinellas Community Foundation has provided grant funding for this program, as well as the Sr. Nutrition program.
- **Senior Nutrition:** A core group of our community are seniors 55 and older who suffer from poor health conditions, exposure to the elements and nutritional neglect. The Senior Nutrition program consists of weekly distributions of megavitamins and vitamin/mineral-enriched foods (protein drinks, nutrition bars, single-serve cereals, salmon/tuna, fruits, etc.) that are sustainable for a homeless senior who has no access to food storage or

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refrigeration. Thanks to a grant from Pinellas Community Foundation's Senior Citizens Services fund, we are able to provide this vital program which keeps our seniors healthy and out of local hospitals.

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Polk County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Orlando – Catholic Charities of Central Florida – Holy Spirit Catholic Church

Address	644 S 9th St Lake Wales, FL 33853
Phone	Phone: 863-676-1556
Website	https://cflcc.org/

Website: https://cflcc.org/

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **Agape Mission Markets Who We Are**

The Agape Mission Markets are food pantries, where those in need can receive meats, fresh fruits, vegetables, and more that best meet their nutritional and personal preferences. The Agape Mission Markets are made possible thanks to the help of Second Harvest Food Bank, Orange County Government, Publix, and the United Way. The Lake Wales Agape Mission Market is located at Holy Spirit Catholic Church at 644 S 9th St, Lake Wales, FL 33853 and is open during the following days/times:

- Monday 10:00am-12:00pm
- Wednesday 10:00am-12:00pm

Catholic Charities Diocese of Orlando – Catholic Charities of Central Florida – St. Joseph Catholic Church

Address	532 Ave M NW Winter Haven, FL 33881
Phone	Phone: 863-299-7983
Website	https://cflcc.org/

Website: https://cflcc.org/

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **Family Stability Program Who We Are**

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Meet with a Case Manager: Walk-ins welcome from 9:00am-11:00am. For afternoon appointments in Winter Haven, please call (863) 299-7983.

- **Agape Mission Markets Who We Are**

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The Agape Mission Markets are food pantries, where those in need can receive meats, fresh fruits, vegetables, and more that best meet their nutritional and personal preferences. The Agape Mission Markets are made possible thanks to the help of Second Harvest Food Bank, Orange County Government, Publix, and the United Way. The Winter Haven Agape Mission Market is located at St. Joseph Catholic Church at 532 Ave M NW, Winter Haven, FL 33881 and is open during the following days/times:

- Monday 9:00am-11:00am
  - Tuesday 9:00am-11:00am
  - Wednesday 9:00am-11:00am
  - Thursday 9:00am-11:00am
  - Friday 9:00am-11:00am

Catholic Charities Diocese of Orlando – Catholic Charities of Central Florida – St. Joseph – Multi-Ministry Service Center

Address	210 W Lemon St Lakeland, FL 33815
Phone	Phone: 863-686-7153 Phone Number: (863) 687-2988
Website	https://cflcc.org/
Hours	Hours: 9:00am-1:00pm (Monday-Friday)

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- Tuesday 9:00am-11:00am

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- **Healthcare (Senior Wellness Services)**

Who We Are

Senior Wellness Services offers health and wellness education and activities, exercise, daily nutrition and socialization for adults who are 55 years of age and older to help them stay engaged, avoid isolation and live independently.

Participants of Senior Wellness Services are also connected to other services like behavioral healthcare, emergency financial assistance and more through Catholic Charities of Central Florida and community partners.

In addition to the St. Joseph Multi-Ministry Service Center, Senior Wellness Services operates 12 mobile sites throughout Polk County.

- **Chair Exercise**

Chair exercise is low-impact and concentrates on stretching and balance. It can be done either seated or standing using the chair for balance.

Monday 10:00am-10:30am **Wednesday** 10:00am-10:30am **Thursday** 10:00am-10:30am

- **Fellowship Dining**

Fellowship Dining is an opportunity to enjoy breakfast and lunch with peers. Available on weekdays from 9:00am-10:00am and 11:30am-12:30pm.

- **Line Dancing**

Line Dancing is a one-hour class and led by a professional instructor from the community who teaches choreographed dance routines with a repeated sequence of steps. Schedule: Tuesdays from 12:30pm-1:30pm.

Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

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Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We’re here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

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Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

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Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

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Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

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- **Onsite Food Pantry**

Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Salvation Army – Lakeland Corps

Address	2620 Kathleen Rd, Lakeland, FL 33810
Phone	Phone: 863-853-2214
Website	https://lakeland.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

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Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
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Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high

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The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

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  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Salvation Army – Winter Haven Corps

Address	1898 Hwy 17, Winter Haven, FL 33881
Phone	Phone: 863-294-7493
Website	https://winterhaven.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Seniors First, Inc. - In-Home Care Program – Seniors Only

Counties served	Orange, Polk, Seminole

In-Home Care

If given the choice, older adults want to remain living in their own homes for as long as possible. Each year, we provide nearly 300,000 hours of care to seniors to help them remain at home and avoid or delay nursing home or similar placements.

We assist low-income, home bound seniors aged 60+ in Orange, Seminole & Polk Counties with daily activities that have become difficult due to declining mobility and health. This includes clients referred to us who are at high risk of abuse, neglect or exploitation. Clients are charged on an income-based fee scale**. Key services include the following:**

Care Management:

A custom care plan is created for each individual. A package of essential supportive services, in-home and community**-**based, is coordinated by a care manager who monitors the senior's needs on a regular basis.

Homemaker Service

Our homemakers provide light housekeeping and home management services such as laundry, shopping assistance and meal preparation.

Personal Care Assistance

Bathing, dressing, feeding, shaving and walking assistance.

Companionship

Our companions relieve loneliness for isolated seniors by providing socialization, conversation and assistance with reading and personal tasks such as running errands and shopping.

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Respite Care

A trained companion for your loved one to relieve caregivers for a few hours.

How to Apply

Learn more by calling us at 407-615-8987. If you meet preliminary program requirements, we will refer you to the Area Agency on Aging – Senior Resource Alliance to apply. There is a waiting list for these services**.**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orlando (Polk County Conferences)

Address	863-419-4819, 1001 S 10th St, Haines City, FL 33844 ST. JOSEPH/ST. MATTHEW - WINTER HAVEN
Phone	Helpline 407.889.4706 863-419-4819 863-293-6133
Website	https://svdporlando.org/need-help%3F
Email	svdpstteresalkld@gmail.com

At a Glance

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established in Central Florida in 1986 and follows a 184-year tradition of charity work based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a Catholic Lay Organization of more than 690,000 men and women throughout the world who volunteer to provide person-to-person services to the needy and suffering. Membership in the united States totals approximately 146,000 volunteers within 4,600 U.S. communities.

At St. Vincent de Paul Orlando, our group includes 24 Conferences across nine Central Florida Counties of the Orlando Catholic Diocese. These Conferences represent some 1,932 volunteer members. We proudly exist to help people by providing compassionate and spiritual support services such as:

- Home Visits
- Person-to-person support
- Food
- Medicine
- Job training/locating employment
- Transportation to meet fundamental needs/employment
- Financial assistance for housing and utilities
- Care for the elderly, infirm, and disabled
- Disaster relief
- Emergency financial services
- St. Peter Claver Prison Ministry
- Vincentian Re-Entry Organizing Project
- Access to our four Thrift Stores to obtain basic items of clothing, household goods, and furniture for individuals and families in need

All services are provided with faith-filled principles and care. Our services are provided in the following counties: Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Polk, Lake, Osceola, Volusia, Marion, and Sumter.

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Many households are just one missed paycheck from being homeless, or one unexpected emergency from being forced to choose between food and shelter. We are here to help those in need. Below is a list of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences that may be able to help.

Our Polk County St Vincent de Paul conferences are: ST. ANN - HAINES CITY

532 Ave. M North West, Winter Haven, FL 33881

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA - LAKELAND

863-644-7469

svdpstteresalkld@gmail.com

333 Terrace Way, Lakeland FL 33813

The Way Center

Address	20 North 6th Street, Haines City, FL 33845
Phone	Telephone: (863) 422-2309
Website	https://www.thewaycenter.org/programs-and-services/we-can-program/
Email	waycenter@verizon.net

The Way Home is a safe haven for women and children giving them hope for the future and the opportunity to build a firm foundation in Christ. This stable housing in conjunction with their WE-CAN Program will provide them with the ability to stay focused on education and spiritual growth while they work through financial and/or emotional crisis. Their desire is for The Way Home to be a loving and warm Christian environment for families to model long after they leave our program.

The Way Home Also Offers:

- Resource referrals
- Direction and support
- Gas cards/transport to emergency shelters
- Clothing (thrift store vouchers available for those who qualify). Includes school uniforms and career clothing.
- Basic needs such as food and hygiene products.
- Furniture and household items (vouchers for those who qualify).

Physical Address:

USA

Mailing Address:

PO Box 4364

Haines City, FL 33845

Fax: (863) 422-6624

Email: waycenter@verizon.net

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Putnam County

Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – Putnam County Office

Address	1000 Husson Avenue, Palatka, FL 32177
Phone	Phone: 386-328-2333
Website	https://www.ccbstaug.org/
Email	Info@ccbstaug.org, wbennett@ccbstaug.org

Email: Info@ccbstaug.org Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 3:00pm

ABOUT US

Since 1975, Catholic Charities St. Augustine has worked to transform lives by serving our community's most vulnerable across the St. Johns, Putnam, and Flagler county communities. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance for rural families and students, homelessness prevention, and pregnancy and adoption support, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

Over the years, Catholic Charities St. Augustine has grown into a multi-faceted agency that served more than 10,000 people in our surrounding communities in 2020. Our services are offered to all people regardless of religious affiliation, gender, race or ethnic origin.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine's emergency financial assistance program is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns counties. Our program facilitates and distributes grants from several federal and state/local agencies to serve those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
- This program is open to families with children, households that are homeless, clients referred from other agencies that have worked with the family/individual, households or individuals who have experienced domestic violence in the past 30 days and families with children that are secondary tenants. Services available include:
- Rent and mortgage assistance
- Utility payments
- Rent and utility deposits
- Rental application fees

If you are in need of emergency financial assistance, please contact us at (904) 829-6300.

- **FOOD ASSISTANCE: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
- **Food Pantry**

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Catholic Charities St. Augustine serves people of all faiths and backgrounds. We encourage any of our neighbors who may be struggling to visit our food pantry located at our office at 525 State Rd 16 STE 112, St. Augustine, FL, 32084.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine Food Pantry
- 525 State Rd 16 STE 112, St. Augustine
- Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Please bring an official form of photo identification, such as a driver's license. During holidays, please check here or call us for adjusted food distribution schedules.
- We gladly accept donations of non-perishable food items from the community. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Cereal – Hot and Cold
- Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Goods – Vegetables, fruits, soups, tuna, meats
- Dried Beans / Rice
- Diapers
- **Back Roads Program**

The Back Roads Program is a mobile food pantry operated by Catholic Charities St. Augustine that directly addresses the lack of transportation and other low-income barriers by the delivery of food to the remote parts of our three service areas (Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns).

We specifically target areas that are identified as food deserts by the USDA. Those who live in food deserts have limited access to transportation and grocery stores. Our team works alongside local libraries, community centers, churches, parishes and other outreach organizations which will help us to identify areas and individuals most in need.

To get help or donate to this program, contact Will Bennett at wbennett@ccbstaug.org or 904-829-6300, ext. 714.

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack Program addresses local food insecurity among children in a unique way inside the classroom. Each week, students discreetly receive a bag filled with nutritious kid-friendly food to take home. This ensures that they have meals and snacks to eat over the weekend, when school lunches are unavailable.
- With help from the school district staff, children in need are identified by their participation in the federal school meal assistance program. Each week, Catholic Charities St. Augustine staff organizes volunteers to help stuff recyclable bags with uniformed shelf-stable and nutritious food and other items. We then deliver these bags to the schools every Thursday so that the school can in turn distribute them before the weekend. Extra food is included on longer breaks such as three-day weekends, holidays and spring break.
- We gladly accept donations of non-perishable food items from the community. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Vienna sausage (Pop top cans)

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- Pudding (Ready to eat)
- Juice boxes
- Applesauce (Single serving)
- Fruit cup (Single serving)
- Cereal bowls
- Granola bars (No nuts)
- Protein bars (No nuts)
- Oatmeal (Single-serving packets)

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- **DISASTER ASSISTANCE: FACILITATING DIRECT SUPPORT FOR LOCAL FAMILIES IN THE WAKE OF DISASTERS**
- In the aftermath of natural disasters and other crises, Catholic Charities St. Augustine works to help stabilize our community by directly assisting individuals in need. From financial assistance to case management, our team uplifts local families when they need it most. Many of these families have lost everything - homes, cars, belongings, and even loved ones. By providing tireless support to those who need us, we live our mission of providing compassion to the community's most vulnerable.
- **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING LOCAL FAMILIES WITH DONATED GIFTS TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine partners with several local organizations to facilitate our Holiday Assistance program: Hope for the Holidays. Each year, we work together to gather toys for local children who otherwise would not have gifts to open for the holidays. We collect and distribute hundreds of these gifts to families in need each year.
- Our team opens up applications in the fall for families facing hardship to apply to become a recipient of our Holiday Assistance program. Applications typically open in October and are first come, first served. To apply, you must meet the following criteria:
- You must have children living in your home.
- You must include the following documents in your applications:
  - Proof of county residency*, such as a current electric/water/cable bill
  - Vehicle registration
  - Lease agreement and/or mortgage documentation
  - Original social security cards for parent(s) and children
  - Original birth certificate for all children in home
  - Photo ID
  - List of gift ideas for all family members prepared before arrival
  - *The program is open to Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns County. Clients must apply through their own county: Flagler County residents must register at St. Vincent De Paul Church, Putnam County residents must register through our Palatka office, and St. Johns County residents must register through Catholic Charities St. Augustine. Please contact us with any questions regarding applications.
- **CARING CHOICES: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**

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- As a licensed child placing agency, Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc., Diocese of St. Augustine has been a leader in the adoption field since the first Florida office opened in Jacksonville in 1943.
- The Adoption and Pregnancy Counseling Program provides services and advocacy for women with unplanned pregnancies. In accordance with the church's teaching to respect life, our services are designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, to provide care and nurturing for women and their children, and to assist in the building up of families through adoption.

The services of this program are:

- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals.
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child.
- Post- legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad.
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are need.
- Adoption education to the community.

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

- **SENIOR SERVICES: ASSISTING AREA SENIORS STRUGGLING WITH FOOD INSECURITY AND ISOLATION**
- **COMPASSION TO-GO** Catholic Charities works with the St. Augustine Sheriff's Department to connect homebound seniors in the St. Augustine/St. Johns County community with compassionate food assistance. In addition to receiving a bag of nutritious meals, this program offers those with limited mobility an opportunity for some often much-needed social contact.

For more information about this program, contact Will Bennett at wbennett@ccbstaug.org or 904-829-6300, ext. 714.

- **ST. JOSEPH NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER: Rebuilding our community through Faith, Hope, Love, and Knowledge!**
- Founded in 2021, St. Joseph Neighborhood Center is a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Augustine. Our mission appeared to us through prayer and discernment by creating space to discover God's call to meet the current needs of our dear neighbor. The message we received over and over was clear and simple… 'continue to defend and be a voice for those who do not have one.'
- This non-profit organization is dedicated to improving the lives of Young Single Mothers and their children.

The services of this program are:

- Empowering Young Single Mothers to Achieve Economic Independence
- Providing GED/Career Programs
- Developing Relationships with Companies to Secure Job Placement
- Teaching Development Tools to Help Women Thrive in Work and Life
- Mentoring Young Single Mothers with More Effective Parenting Skills

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Please visit the St. Joseph Neighborhood Center website or call (904) 824-1752 for more information.

Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn't an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

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Address:

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (Putnam County Conference)

Address	111 N. Francis Street, Interlachen, FL 32148
Phone	Phone: (386) 684-2797
Email	budsurratt@hotmail.com
Hours	Hours: 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (Tues., Thurs., Fri. & Sat.)

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

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Gainesville District Council (Putnam County Conference)

St. John the Evangelist Conference

Judy Surratt, President; Email: budsurratt@hotmail.com

Fax: (386) 684-2797

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food, clothing, household items and furniture. Will pick-up and deliver furniture.

Areas served: West Putnam County

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. John the Baptist Conference

Address	2725 Hwy. 17, Box 908, Crescent City, FL 32112
Phone	(386) 698-1616
Hours	Hours: 10 a.m.-1 p.m. (Tues.-Thurs.)

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Gainesville District Council (Putnam County Conference)

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. John the Baptist Conference

Al Maus, President

Services: Provides food, clothing, furniture and assistance with utilities.

Areas served: Parish and South Putnam County

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Santa Rosa County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Pensacola Office

Address	1815 North 6th Ave., Pensacola, FL 32503
Phone	Phone: 850-435-3516
Counties served	Escambia, Santa Rosa

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Feeding the Gulf Coast

Website	https://www.feedingthegulfcoast.org/
Counties served	Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington

Feeding the Gulf Coast assists families and individuals along the central Gulf Coast in many ways. More than 400 community partners are ready to provide groceries and meals to those struggling to afford food. In Florida, Feeding the Gulf Coast serves Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, and Bay Counties.

Child Nutrition Programs

- **The Backpack Program**

The Backpack Program, which began in 2004, meets the needs of chronically hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and breaks when school meals are unavailable. The Backpack Program is located at schools with a high incidence of children in need. Each backpack provides children with six meals and two snacks.

- **The School Pantry Program**

Similar to the Backpack Program, the School Pantry Program provides students with nutritious, nonperishable, and easily consumed food and other necessities. The program allows children dignity, privacy, and comfort in selecting food and other items that the student and their family need. Teachers, counselors, and school nurses identify students based on their level of need and as they demonstrate signs of hunger in the classroom. Students can visit the school pantry weekly to select nutritious, easy-to-prepare food and toiletries for personal use.

- **The Afterschool Meals Program**

The Afterschool Meals Program provides free meals and snacks to children through a variety of community locations—such as Boys and Girls Clubs, churches or public schools. This program is funded through the federal Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP). The children who attend these programs receive free meals that meet federal guidelines for nutrition.

- **The Summer Meals Program**

Similar to the Afterschool Meals Program, Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Summer Meals Program to ensure children in our region have access to free, nutritious meals during the summer when school is out for the summer along the central Gulf Coast. Sites in this program serve two meals daily (breakfast, lunch, or snacks) to children in their community. This program is funded through the federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Food Rescue Programs

- **Store Donation Program**

The Store Donation Program provides the food bank and its agencies with various fresh products, including produce, dairy, meat, and bread, by connecting the food bank with local retail grocery stores. Through the program, stores donate their wholesome but unsaleable food to the food bank. In some areas, Feeding the Gulf Coast trains and certifies select agencies to pick up food directly from these stores and distribute the donations to their clients through their feeding programs. Not only does this get food into the hands of those in

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need faster, but it also enables the food bank to use resources like trucks, employees, and monetary donations in other places. Feeding the Gulf Coast and select agencies pick up from approximately 250 stores each week, collecting nearly 1.25 million pounds of food every month.

Food Distribution Programs

- **Senior Boxes**

Nearly 5 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. After a lifetime of hard work, 63% of the households with older adults (50+) find themselves facing an impossible choice — to buy groceries or medical care. And as the baby-boom generation ages, the number of seniors facing hunger is only expected to increase.

Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP, Senior Boxes) in select Alabama and Florida counties. This program provides food to seniors in need by giving USDA-donated foods to eligible participants through a monthly food package. Seniors must be 60 years of age or older and have a household income at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Senior Boxes Improve Health

CSFP helps to combat the poor health conditions often found in food-insecure seniors. According to research*, food-insecure seniors (60+) are significantly more likely to intake lower amounts of essential vitamins, to be in poor or fair health, and to have physical limitations. Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk for:

- Increased disability
- Decreased resistance to infections
- Deteriorating mental health
- Lengthening of hospital stays
- Diabetes
- **Mobile Pantry Program**

The Mobile Pantry Program directly serves clients in areas of high need to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area. Through a mobile pantry, a truckload of food is distributed to clients in a single-day allowing us to provide a family with enough food for a week for just $10. Each mobile pantry distributes a variety of product include protein, canned or fresh produce, dairy, and grains.

Produce Drop

A produce drop distributes thousands of pounds of fresh produce to communities in need. Food deserts are areas with little access to fresh produce, or the price of fruits and vegetables is too much for families in need to afford. This single-day distribution helps eliminate the need for food to be stored at a local pantry and gets the product into the client's hands quicker.

Community Health & Nutrition

- **Nourishing Our Communities**

For people facing food insecurity, the challenge of adequate diet and nutrition, doctor visits, and medication is often unmanageable, creating a cycle of tough choices that results in otherwise manageable diseases becoming a health crisis. Feeding the Gulf Coast recognizes the parallel union proper nutrition has in combating the impacts of food insecurity on health.

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We believe no one should be without the food they need for a better life. As part of our work to address this, Feeding the Gulf Coast has established a Community Health and Nutrition department to ensure every community has access to a balanced, nutritious diet.

- **Healthcare Partnerships:** By working with healthcare providers to address food insecurity as a social determinant of health, these partnerships will expand and grow our current “Food as Medicine” initiatives seeking to improve health outcomes by increasing access to nutritious food and education.
- **Nutrition Education Classes:** These science-backed classes create an avenue of attainable steps that clients can use to inform their choices regarding diet and meal planning. Our nutrition specialists provide in-person nutrition education classes, indirect education activities, and other nutrition nudges to help families better understand the vital role nutrition plays in their health outcomes. **View online classes here.**
- **Mobile Market (Millie):**By bringing nutritious food directly to areas with limited grocery options, Millie the Mobile Market helps ensure more individuals and families can access the healthy food they need to thrive. **Find Millie here.**

Disaster Response

- **When Disaster Strikes**

The food bank swiftly shifts into disaster relief mode when a storm impacts our community while maintaining food assistance and support across the unaffected parts of our service area. Following the storm, we work with our food pantries and meal programs to begin response and recovery efforts. We continue providing relief long after other recovery efforts have ended. We coordinate efforts with local government officials, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and the American Red Cross to ensure unduplicated, efficient and timely relief.

PANHANDLE BRANCH

5709 Industrial Blvd

Milton, FL 32583

(850) 626-1332

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Sylvester Catholic Church Conference

Address	6464 Gulf Breeze Pkwy, Gulf Breeze, FL 32563
Phone	Phone: (850) 516-8927
Website	https://www.stsylv.org/
Email	svdp@stsylv.org

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The Mission of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul

Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul, a Catholic lay organization, leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in the tradition of its founder, Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, and patron, St. Vincent de Paul.

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We are part of an international society of friends united by a spirit of poverty, humility, and sharing, which is nourished by prayer and reflection, mutually supportive gatherings, and adherence to a basic Rule.

The St Vincent de Paul Conference of St Sylvester offers tangible assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. We serve individuals and families in South Santa Rosa County: Gulf Breeze, Navarre, and extending to Mary Esther up to the Main Gate of Hurlburt Field.

For questions or assistance, please call our Conference line: 850-516-8927, and leave a message as needed. Or send an email to svdp@stsylv.org.

Available assistance types may include Food, Clothing, help with Rent and Utility payments, and others. Call 850-516-8927 or email svdp@stsylv.org to confirm available assistance types.

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Sarasota County

All Faiths Food Bank

Address	8171 Blaikie Ct. Sarasota, FL 34240
Website	https://allfaithsfoodbank.org/foodfinder/
Email	info@allfaithsfoodbank.org
Hours	Office hours
Counties served	DeSoto, Sarasota

All Faiths Food Bank is the only food bank and largest hunger relief organization in Sarasota and DeSoto counties. The Food Bank was founded in 1989 by a group of individuals who, through their respective organizations, were feeding the hungry. They combined efforts to incorporate as All Faiths Food Bank, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

- **Backpacks**
- Backpacks provide students with nutritious food for the weekends at 76 schools and organizations.
- **School & Family Pantries**
- School and Family pantries provide fresh produce, meats and groceries to families at 8 schools.
- **Summer Hunger Programs**
- The Campaign Against Summer Hunger has become our community’s strongest line of defense against child hunger providing over 34,000 children with 3.2 million meals.
- **Mobile Farm Markets**
- Mobile Farm Markets distribute fresh produce at 9 locations throughout our community.
- **Mobile Pantries**
- Mobile Pantries distribute fresh produce, meats and groceries to our community at 24 locations.
- **DeSoto Food and Resource Center**
- At the DeSoto Food and Resource Center, clients can meet with staff to assess their needs, receive or be referred to services, and receive emergency food.
- **Nutrition Education**
- Nutrition Education teaches individuals and families how to shop for and prepare healthy, low-cost meals.
- **Pediatric Screening**
- In partnership with healthcare providers, our Pediatric Screening program identifies food insecurity at an early age.

Contact

All Faiths Food Bank

Monday-Thursday: 8:00 am-5:00 pm

Friday: 8:00 am-2:00 pm

Location Information: **All Faiths Food Bank does not provide food distribution from its main office at 8171 Blaikie Ct., Sarasota. Please refer to our distribution schedules at https://

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allfaithsfoodbank.org/foodfinder/ to find food near you. Free emergency food is also available at the DeSoto Food and Resource Center, located at 1021 E Oak Street, Arcadia, FL 34266.**

Warehouse delivery hours

Monday- Thursday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Friday: 8:00 am to noon

Phone: 941-379-6333

Email: info@allfaithsfoodbank.org

Website: https://allfaithsfoodbank.org/

Salvation Army – Sarasota Area Command / Sarasota Center of Hope

Address	1400 10th St, Sarasota, FL 34236
Phone	Phone: (941) 364-8845
Website	http://www.salvationarmysarasota.com/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

For those looking to escape extreme cold, intense heat, torrential rain, or just wanting a safe, quiet place to spend the night, The Salvation Army provides a nutritious meal, a warm bed and a clean shower.

- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

Along with meeting immediate physical needs of food and shelter, these establishments provide educational, counseling and vocational services to help develop vital life skills and independence for re-entry into society.

- **Family Service Programs**

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The Salvation Army assists families with temporal needs by providing food, housing, and utility assistance. Best of all, these programs enable mothers to stay with their children (boys and girls), even when placed in emergency shelters.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

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The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Salvation Army – Sarasota Corps

Address	1701 S Tuttle Ave, Sarasota, FL 34239
Phone	Phone: (727) 541-7781

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Salvation Army – Venice Corps

Address	1051 Albee Farm Rd, Venice, FL 34285
Phone	Phone: 941-484-6227
Website	http://www.salvationarmyvenice.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

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    - **VENICE SALVATION ARMY AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM:** We pick up children ages 5-12 from all the local schools and provide snack and homework help daily. We have different activities daily to help enrich your child's day.

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St. Vincent de Paul Society – Epiphany Cathedral / Our Lady of Lourdes Conference – Serving the Communities of Venice & Nokomis, FL (Sarasota County)

Address	1301 Center Road, Venice, FL 34293
Phone	941-493-2027 (941) 921-6631 (941) 625-6784
Website	https://svdpvenicefl.org/assistance/

Society of Saint Vincent de Paul

Epiphany Cathedral / Our Lady of Lourdes Conference

Members of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul are men and women who strive to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to individuals in need. The St. Vincent de Paul Society offers tangible assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. It is this personalized involvement that makes the work of the Society unique. This aid may take the form of providing guidance and through direct dollar or in-kind service. An essential precept of the Society`s work is to provide help while conscientiously maintaining the confidentiality and dignity of those who are served.

We provide emergency assistance primarily for emergency shelter, rent, mortgage assistance, utilities, food, gas, car repairs and other essentials.

Some 12 million persons are helped annually by Vincentians in the United States.

St. Vincent de Paul Society – Epiphany Cathedral / Our Lady of Lourdes Conference serves all people in need in the Venice and Nokomis area.

Call St. Vincent De Paul – Epiphany Cathedral / Our Lady of Lourdes Conference at 941-493-2027. When you call, leave a message with your name, your phone number, and a brief explanation of the assistance you require. One of our advocates will return your call within 24 hours. If you block calls from unidentified caller on your phone, our volunteers will not be able to get in touch with you. Please disable that feature from your phone.

Other Sarasota County St Vincent de Paul Conferences are:

St. Vincent de Paul – Incarnation Catholic Church Conference

2929 Bee Ridge Road

Sarasota FL 34239

Website: incarnationchurch.org/

St. Vincent de Paul – St. Charles Borromeo Catholic Church Conference

21841 Felton Avenue

Port Charlotte, FL 33952

St. Vincent de Paul – San Pedro Catholic Church Conference

14380 Tamiami Trail

North Port, FL 34287

(941) 426 3894

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St. Vincent de Paul Society – St. Thomas More Catholic Church Conference (Sarasota County)

Address	2506 Gulf Gate Drive, Sarasota FL 34231
Phone	(941) 447-8950
Website	https://www.svdpsrq.org/
Email	stmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com

St. Vincent de Paul – St. Thomas More Catholic Church Conference

Email: stmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com

Website: https://www.svdpsrq.org/

OUR VISION: Like that of its founder, Frédéric Ozanam, the vision of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) “is to embrace the world in a network of charity.”

OUR MISSION: Providing compassionate care to those in need. Inspired by Gospel values, the Society of SVdP is a Catholic lay organization, that leads women and men to join together to grow spiritually by offering person-to-person service to those who are needy and suffering in our service area.

ABOUT US . . .

- The goal of SVdP is to be a network of friends, inspired by Gospel values, growing in holiness and building a more just world through personal relationships with service to people in need.
- SVdP harnesses the power of community and partnerships to help feed, clothe, house and heal individuals and families in our community who have nowhere else to turn for help.
- As important, SVdP provides meaningful opportunities for volunteers to serve their neighbors in need with love and compassion.

WHAT WE DO . . .

- Rent/Utility Assistance - On an emergency basis, we may provide one-time rent and/or utility assistance.
- Gift Cards - On a limited basis, we provide gift cards for gasoline and sundries, and bus passes for those who have no other means of transportation.
- Referral Service - If we are unable to provide assistance in a particular situation, we will refer our clients to other agencies with relevant expertise and resources.
- Housing the Unsheltered - A home is not just a roof and four walls, but a sense of security and the ability to make a better tomorrow. We work with community partners to help the homeless and those in danger of becoming homeless. We do everything in our power to stabilize shelter residents while seeking avenues to permanent housing.

Please contact the St. Vincent de Paul Society if you are in need of assistance or if you would like volunteer information. Phone: (941) 447-8950 Email: stmstvincentdepaul@gmail.com

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Seminole County

Catholic Charities Diocese of Orlando – Catholic Charities of Central Florida – Pathways to Care (SERVES VETERANS AND OTHERS)

Address	430 Plumosa Ave., Casselberry, FL 32707
Phone	Phone: 407-388-0245
Website	https://pathwaystocare.org/

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Who We Are

Pathways to Care (PTC) is a not for profit, licensed Assisted Living Facility, which provides medical respite to people experiencing homelessness. Opening in 2003, PTC serves as a post hospital resource for patients without a safe place to heal from injury, illness, or another medical setback. Our 34-bed program is an excellent discharge solution for health care providers. We provide services to approximately 200 residents annually. We collaborate with and accept referrals from multiple hospital systems throughout Central Florida, Veteran's Administration, Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS network (HOPWA), faith-based organizations, local governments, social service agencies and other medical professionals. In 2015, we expanded our services to include a transitional housing program that promotes independence called Pathways Step2.

Referral Process

These are the forms needed to make a referral to Pathways to Care or Pathways Step2. Completed forms should be faxed to 407-388-0478. How To Refer: http://67.23.246.118/~pathwaystocare/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/Discharge_Admission-Criteria_-FINAL_4-17-2020.pdf)

1. **AHCA 1823 Required for Admission** (Please print and fax completed/ signed 1823 form to (407) 388-0478): http://67.23.246.118/~pathwaystocare/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/AHCA-Form-1823-Resident-Health-Assessment-3.2017-1.pdf
    1. **Tips on How to Complete 1823:** http://67.23.246.118/~pathwaystocare/wp-content/uploads/2020/05/1823-instructions-FINAL_Revised-4-17-2020.pdf

Other Helpful Links:

- **Admission Criteria FAQ:** https://pathwaystocare.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Admission-Criteria-FAQs-04.07.22.pdf
- **Admission Criteria to PTC:** https://pathwaystocare.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Admission-Criteria-to-PTC-04.07.22.pdf
- **Attention Case Managers:** https://pathwaystocare.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/Attention-Case-Managers.pdf

Our Services

- **Pathways to Care Assisted Living (ALF) – Healthcare Services**
    - **Medication Management –** Pathways to Care Assisted Living reinforces the doctor-prescribed medication regimen. We develop with the resident a personalized accurate medication schedule. We provide safe storage and handling of medications. During their stay, we assist residents with medication refills as one of our key objectives.

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- **Staffed 24/7 for Resident Safety and Well Being –** All Pathways to Care staff are certified in First Aid and CPR. Our facility is staffed 24/7 including weekends and holidays.
- **Connect With Community Medical Resources –** One of our main objectives at Pathways to Care is to connect our residents with primary and specialty care providers. Our goal is for residents to establish a medical home in the community that they continue with even after their successful discharge from our program. We partner with local pharmaceutical resources who provide affordable prescription and medical supply options to our residents. Our clinical services staff assist residents with appointment setting, patient-doctor dialogue, and advocacy.
- **Transportation –** Our clinical services staff arrange transportation for residents to and from medical appointments. Transportation options include use of our in-house vehicles, insurance covered transportation, or door to door public transportation for disabled and medically compromised individuals. We have a dedicated driver and our facility vehicles can accommodate manual wheelchairs and walkers.
- **Accommodate Home Health Service Providers –** These Home Health Services may include skilled nursing care, such as ostomy, catheter and wound care, and health education.
- **Nutrition –** Residents staying in our facility are provided with registered dietitian-approved meals three (3) times each day. A variety of fruits and vegetables are available daily. While staying at our facility, residents are encouraged to manage dietary requirements and restrictions.
- **Personal Care –** Pathways to Care provides toiletries and personal hygiene items to all residents. Bedding, towels and resident clothing are laundered on-site by facility staff.

- **Pathways to Care Assisted Living (ALF) – Case Management**
  - **Intake and Assessment –** One of the first things completed during intake is a social needs assessment. Case management staff complete a Service Prioritization Decision Assistance Tool (SPDAT) and an entry form for Homeless Management Information System HMIS). The objective of these assessments is to identify the individual’s needs and set goals that complement their medical recuperation. Plans are modified as goals are met and/or changed.
  - **Ongoing Case Management –** Residents meet weekly, or more frequently as needed, with case management. We help residents meet their medical, nutritional, social, behavioral health and future housing goals.
  - **Navigating Resources and Benefits –** Navigating benefit systems can be overwhelming. Case managers help residents find their way through the Social Security system, disability income applications, food stamp applications, and more. They also assist residents in obtaining a Florida ID from the DMV.
  - **Coordinate Services –** Case managers work with residents and advocate on their behalf to access community resources. They accompany residents to social service appointments and community agencies as needed.
  - **Life Skill Development –** Case managers work with residents to rebuild their life skills to include personal care, basic housekeeping and preparation for life after Pathways.

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- **Life After Pathways –** Once a resident has been deemed medically stable, a discharge plan is developed. The plan may include reconnection with family and loved ones. Additionally, referrals to employment and/or recovery programs can be made.

- **Pathways Step2**
  - **What is Pathways Step2?**

Once a resident is adequately assessed to have recovered from injury or illness in the Assisted Living Facility side at Pathways to Care, they may elect to apply to our Step2 program located on the rear side of our building. Currently, Step2 only serves males. Residents who live in Step2 have a goal to obtain housing, find gainful employment, further their education and/or wait for financial benefits to activate. Step2 residents are given more autonomy and are responsible for regular administration of their medications, making and scheduling their own medical appointments, and purchasing their own supplemental food items. Pathways to Care case mangers work with the resident in Step2 to choose and secure the most appropriate housing solution for their situation for when they are ready to leave the program. As with an exit from Pathways to Care, this housing could be independently living in an apartment, sharing a home with family or friends, a long-term medical facility, group housing, VA housing, or other type of housing opportunity.

- During their transition, case managers provide support to residents on how to better budget their expenses, run their credit reports, pay off old debts, and manage their disability income to have a greater chance of qualifying for housing. Staff also guide residents on how to properly care for and clean their living areas along with other life skills needed to live as independently as possible. Those who more able bodied are assisted by staff with job applications, interview preparation and other employment seeking tasks.
  - Step2 residents continue to have access to case management services, therapeutic activities, and meals when the dining room is open. Residents in Step2 are working towards greater overall independence as they transition out of the program completely. The average Step2 resident resides at Pathways to Care to save income and work towards housing or employment.

Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando

Address	The George & Madeline Wolly Center 2100 Lee Road Winter Park, FL 32789
Phone	Request an appointment: 407-644-7671 (Monday-Thursday 8am to 5pm) To apply call: 407-644-7593
Website	https://www.jfsorlando.org/
Email	Rabbi@JFSorlando.org
Counties served	Orange, Seminole

The mission of Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando (JFS Orlando) is to provide services that stabilize individuals & families in crisis and enhance the quality of life across generations to all members of our Central Florida community.

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We aim to move lives from crisis to stability by taking a holistic approach in assisting those in need and providing a variety of wrap-around services. Our programs cover four core areas:

- Hunger
- Mental and Emotional Stability
- Homelessness Prevention
- Aging/End of Life

Services

- **Pearlman Food Pantry:** Food pick-up is **by appointment only**. Please call (407) 644-7593 or click the button below to begin your request for an appointment with JFS Orlando's Pearlman Food Pantry. Please note, pantry hours are Monday - Thursday 9AM - 4PM. Make sure to bring a photo ID.

Request an appointment: https://www.jfsorlando.org/pantry-appointment-request-form

- **Counseling:** https://www.jfsorlando.org/counseling

The Counseling, Growth, & Development Program provides individual, couple, family and group mental health counseling in a trusting, reassuring and healing atmosphere. Clinical therapists help clients cope with major life problems in a timely and effective manner and guide people through major life transitions.

- **Family Stabilization Program:** The Family Stabilization Program (FSP) is a preventative, six-month case management program. The program is designed for families to obtain self-sufficiency by teaching them critical skills and tools to resolve crises and avoid future hardships while achieving long term stability.

ext.250 (City of Orlando or Seminole County

Ext. 236 (Orange County)

- **RIDE Program:** https://www.jfsorlando.org/ride-program

Through the RIDE (Reliable Independent Drivers for the Elderly) Program, JFS provides round-trip rides to vital medical appointments for qualifying, low-income seniors or disabled adults. Program participants are entitled to two free roundtrip rides per month within a ten-mile radius of their residence. The program is for Orange and Seminole County residents only.

Due to the Success of the RIDE program, our waitlist is temporarily closed to new clients. Please check back periodically for updated availability.

- **Chaplaincy**

The community Chaplaincy program is a pastoral outreach service that provides end of life services, burial or memorial services, and other visits, such as hospice, hospital or home visits, to the unaffiliated Jewish community. This program operates in partnership with the Greater Orlando Board of Rabbis and the Jewish Federation of Greater Orlando.

Contact Rabbi Siegel at (407) 644-7593 ext. 233 or Rabbi@JFSorlando.org

Contact

407-644-7593

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Salvation Army – Sanford Corps

Address	700 W 24th St, Sanford, FL 32771
Phone	Phone: 407-322-2642
Website	https://sanford.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

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Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

Website	https://feedhopenow.org/
Email	info@feedhopenow.org, rthomas@feedhopenow.org
Counties served	Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Volusia

About Us

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida is a partner food bank of Feeding America – the largest charitable domestic hunger-relief organization in the United States. Second Harvest secures and distributes food and grocery products to more than 870 local nonprofit feeding programs in seven Central Florida counties: Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia. With the help of food and financial donors, volunteers and a caring, committed community, the food bank distributes 300,000 meals every day to partner programs such as food pantries, soup kitchens, women's shelters, senior centers, day care centers and Kids Cafes. In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in 'better than minimum wage' jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. **Where does the Food Bank get its food?** Food comes to us from farmers, grocery stores, retailers, distributors, wholesale, and other food industry sources. In addition, kind-hearted members of our community hold food drives that bring in tons of food. Click here to learn about how food gets to our facility. **How is the food distributed?** We partner up with more than 870 local emergency food assistance programs to get food to the people who need it the most. **What else does the Food Bank do besides provide food?** In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in 'better than minimum wage' jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. Yet another important activity helps connect people who are eligible to receive SNAP food assistance benefits with the resources they need to access the program and get help. **How does the Food Bank help in a natural disaster?** Second Harvest Food Bank plays a vital role in responding to emergencies such as floods, tornadoes and hurricanes throughout the state. As an affiliate of Feeding America, Second Harvest responds to both national and local disasters that take

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place. **What is the Food Bank's connection with Feeding America?** Second Harvest Food Bank is a partner food bank of Feeding America, a nationwide network of more than 200 food banks that helps feed people across the country. Click here to learn more about this network of food banks.

Food Assistance

How do I get food? If you need immediate assistance, please call us at 407-295-5009. You can also fill out our food assistance form and we will get back to you with a list of feeding programs near you. If you need assistance during the weekends, please call United Way's 2-1-1. 211 provides free and confidential information and can also help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling and more.

Food Locator: https://feedhopenow.org/find-help/food-finder/

Please call before visiting to make sure that their hours & location has not changed. Por favor asegúrese de llamar antes de visitar para asegurarse que las horas o ubicación no hayan cambiado. **How can I apply for SNAP?** You can apply online for SNAP benefits here. Second Harvest's Benefit Connection team can also help out with SNAP application assistance. Click here to view where our Benefits Connection team will be located in Orange and Brevard County.

Second Harvest Facilities

Main Facility

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 411 Mercy Drive Orlando, FL 32805 Phone: 407-295-1066 Fax: 407-295-5299 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Mercy Kitchen

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3702 Mercy Star Ct. Building 3 Suite 130 Orlando, FL 32808 Phone: 407-514-1002 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Volusia Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 320 North Street Daytona Beach, FL 32114 Phone: 386-257-4499 Fax: 386-257-4134 Contact: Robert Thomas, Volusia Operations Manager Phone: 386-257-4499 Email: rthomas@feedhopenow.org

Brevard Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3125 Skyway Circle Melbourne, FL 32934 Phone: 321-733-1600 Contact: Jorge Ortiz, Brevard Operations Manager Phone: 321-733-1600 Email: jortiz@feedhopenow.org

Marion Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 4045 NE 36th Ave. Ocala, FL 34478 **Mailing Address:** Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida Marion Branch PO Box 699 Ocala, FL 34478 Phone: 352-732-5500 Fax: 352-732-4197 Contact: Peter Del Toro Email: PDelToro@feedhopenow.org

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Seminole County – The Sharing Center

Website	https://thesharingcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Financial-Assistance-Application-English-revised-November-2024.pdf
Email	inquiry@thesharingcenter.org

The Christian Sharing Center is an inter-denominational ministry providing assistance for local families in need through coordination of aid from more than 60 churches in Seminole County, Florida, and northeast Orange County. Assistance is provided free of charge. Depending on individual needs and available resources, help provided by The Christian Sharing Center may include, but is not limited to: Food, Clothing, Rent or Mortgage Payment, Utilities, Bus Tokens and other Transportation Needs, Vouchers for Prescription Medicines, Referral for Job Training, Financial Counseling or Other Assistance. For more information, call (407) 260-9155.

Who We Are

The Sharing Center has been loving our neighbors since 1986. We are more than just a singular resource for those facing difficult circumstances.

We address immediate needs, as well as provide extended support through programs that lead those experiencing poverty toward a better future and long-term stability.

Hunger Relief

Nourishing families and individuals with dignity. Through The Pantry, we offer one of the largest free food assistance resources in Seminole County to alleviate hunger.

Center for Hope

Hope starts here. We see to it that families and individuals experiencing hardships, hunger, and homelessness receive comprehensive services from the moment they arrive to when they depart.

Preventing Homelessness

The Oasis, our homeless respite center, is the only place in Seminole County that provides showers, laundry service, housing guidance, internet access, mail service, and haircut services. A place of refuge and restoration for all. The Oasis is open for all experiencing a season of homelessness. If you are in need of a helping hand, please visit us.

Need Rent or Mortgage Assistance?

We’re able to provide life-changing essentials to our neighbors in need.

Learn More and Apply

The most comprehensive social services hub in Seminole County.

It is The Sharing Center’s mission to help families and individuals experiencing poverty receive compassionate care. Our team works to provide emergency financial assistance, groceries, clothes, showers, and other essential resources. We address immediate needs, as well as provide extended support through programs that lead individuals and families toward a better future and long-term stability.

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Key Programs

- **Families In Crisis:** With Families In Crisis, we offer financial assistance, tax preparation, rental assistance, and vouchers for clothing and shoes.

Did you know, nearly 40% of families in Seminole County are struggling to make ends meet? According to a recent report, thousands of our neighbors are living in crisis-mode all year long. Our Families in Crisis program offers relief with urgently needed support to help keep the lights on, a roof over their heads, and food on the table. It is our belief that every person deserves dignity and compassion, especially when experiencing a lack of funds or food.

Through Families in Crisis, our case managers are able to provide life-changing essentials to our neighbors in need.

How We Help

We serve Seminole County families and individuals who are experiencing challenging circumstances. Last year, over 20,000 individuals received financial assistance, groceries, clothing, and other support helping to prevent hunger and homelessness.

Providing Basic Essentials

We consider a basic essential as anything we need to live in our world today – a home, food, clothing, electricity and water, and resources to thrive. Those we serve are able to receive a helping hand when their crisis threatens their stability.

Compassionate Support

Every person who walks through our doors and receives assistance, is compassionately met by a case manager to provide additional support such as budgeting, benefits help, and employment referrals. This additional support helps thousands turn their situation from despair into hope.

Now Accepting Rent/Mortgage and Utility Assistance Applications

If you live in Central Florida, and are seeking financial assistance, please complete the form by clicking below.

Please read a few guidelines carefully before submitting your application:

- At this time, we are accepting applications for rent/mortgage and utilities assistance.
  - Please provide only copies; originals will not be returned if submitted.
    - Only complete applications will be reviewed. Please ensure you have provided all requested documentation in the application.
    - Completed applications/documents can be dropped off between 9:00 am and 12:00 pm or between 1:00 pm and 4:00 pm

Seeking Rent And/Or Utility Assistance? Download Financial Assistance Application: https://thesharingcenter.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/10/Financial-Assistance-Application-English-revised-November-2024.pdf

BlessOurSoles: Blessing children with the gift of shoes.

Children, aged 4 – 18, of families in need, are now eligible to receive a $25 Shoe Carnival gift card to purchase a brand new pair of shoes for Christmas. Gift cards are available for up to

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600 school age children. Sign up to receive one gift card per child is open Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. The following documents are required to qualify:

- Driver’s License or Picture I.D. for all adult household members (must be original)
  - Original Birth Certificates for all children under 18
    - Proof of Residence (document mailed to you within the last 30 days)
    - Proof of income (earned and unearned) including Food Stamps
    - Social Security Card for all primary household members
  - **The Pantry:** Through The Pantry, we offer one of the largest free food assistance resources in Seminole County to help alleviate hunger.
  - **The Oasis:** Our homeless respite center, The Oasis, provides showers, laundry service, housing guidance, internet access, mail service, and haircut services. The Sharing Center is here to provide more than just the resources needed to survive, but to thrive. Ultimately, it is our goal to help those experiencing homelessness find stability in their lives and hope in their hearts. We focus on serving those who are currently living in camps, cars, or streets as well as families on the verge of homelessness.

Through our program, The Oasis, we are wrapping our arms around the most vulnerable to lift them up, out of desperation and into stability. The Oasis is the only drop-in resource center in Seminole County for those experiencing hunger and homelessness. At The Oasis, those experiencing hardships can come take a warm shower and receive laundry service, hot meals, hair cuts, and on-the-go food, as well as committed, compassionate support.

- **ProjectRISE:** Our workforce development program serves the under- and unemployed with the skills necessary to reach financial mobility, self-sufficiency, and employment.

Address: 600 North Highway 17-92, Suite 130, Longwood, FL 32750

Phone: (407) 260-9155

Email: inquiry@thesharingcenter.org

Hours:

- The Pantry: Monday to Friday, 9:00am - 12:00pm
  - Families in Crisis: Monday to Friday, 9:00am - 12:00pm
  - The Oasis: Monday to Friday, 8:00am - 12:00pm
  - Corporate Office: Monday to Friday, 8:30am - 5:00pm
  - The Distribution Center: Monday to Friday, 10:00am - 4:00pm
  - Village Shoppes (Thrift Store): Monday to Saturday, 9:30am – 5:00pm; Accepting Donations from 10:00am – 4:00pm

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Website: https://thesharingcenter.org/

Seniors First, Inc. - In-Home Care Program – Seniors Only

Counties served	Orange, Polk, Seminole

In-Home Care

If given the choice, older adults want to remain living in their own homes for as long as possible. Each year, we provide nearly 300,000 hours of care to seniors to help them remain at home and avoid or delay nursing home or similar placements.

We assist low-income, home bound seniors aged 60+ in Orange, Seminole & Polk Counties with daily activities that have become difficult due to declining mobility and health. This includes clients referred to us who are at high risk of abuse, neglect or exploitation. Clients are charged on an income-based fee scale**. Key services include the following:**

Care Management:

A custom care plan is created for each individual. A package of essential supportive services, in-home and community**-**based, is coordinated by a care manager who monitors the senior's needs on a regular basis.

Homemaker Service

Our homemakers provide light housekeeping and home management services such as laundry, shopping assistance and meal preparation.

Personal Care Assistance

Bathing, dressing, feeding, shaving and walking assistance.

Companionship

Our companions relieve loneliness for isolated seniors by providing socialization, conversation and assistance with reading and personal tasks such as running errands and shopping.

Respite Care

A trained companion for your loved one to relieve caregivers for a few hours.

How to Apply

Learn more by calling us at 407-615-8987. If you meet preliminary program requirements, we will refer you to the Area Agency on Aging – Senior Resource Alliance to apply. There is a waiting list for these services**.**

Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orlando (Seminole County Conferences)

Address	407-330-4400, 301 W. 8th Street, Sanford, FL 32771
Phone	Helpline 407.889.4706 407-330-4400
Website	https://svdporlando.org/need-help%3F

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At a Glance

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established in Central Florida in 1986 and follows a 184-year tradition of charity work based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a Catholic Lay Organization of more than 690,000 men and women throughout the world who volunteer to provide person-to-person services to the needy and suffering. Membership in the united States totals approximately 146,000 volunteers within 4,600 U.S. communities.

At St. Vincent de Paul Orlando, our group includes 24 Conferences across nine Central Florida Counties of the Orlando Catholic Diocese. These Conferences represent some 1,932 volunteer members. We proudly exist to help people by providing compassionate and spiritual support services such as:

- Home Visits
- Person-to-person support
- Food
- Medicine
- Job training/locating employment
- Transportation to meet fundamental needs/employment
- Financial assistance for housing and utilities
- Care for the elderly, infirm, and disabled
- Disaster relief
- Emergency financial services
- St. Peter Claver Prison Ministry
- Vincentian Re-Entry Organizing Project
- Access to our four Thrift Stores to obtain basic items of clothing, household goods, and furniture for individuals and families in need

All services are provided with faith-filled principles and care. Our services are provided in the following counties: Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Polk, Lake, Osceola, Volusia, Marion, and Sumter.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

Many households are just one missed paycheck from being homeless, or one unexpected emergency from being forced to choose between food and shelter. We are here to help those in need. Below is a list of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences that may be able to help.

Our Seminole County St Vincent de Paul conferences are:

ALL SOULS - SANFORD

ANNUNCIATION - ALTAMONTE SPRINGS

407-215-7669

1020 Montgomery Rd., Altamonte Springs, FL 32714

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The Christian Sharing Center, Inc.

Address	600 North Highway 17-92, Suite 130, Longwood, FL 32750
Phone	Phone: (407) 260-9155
Website	https://thesharingcenter.org/
Email	inquiry@thesharingcenter.org
Hours	Hours

https://thesharingcenter.org/

Seminole County’s Largest Free Food Pantry

Through The Pantry, we offer one of the largest free food assistance resources in Seminole County to help alleviate hunger. Families and individuals who visit the Pantry are cared for with dignity and respect. Each family receives two bags of hand-selected, nutritionally balanced groceries for each member of the family.

Homeless neighbors who are without adequate food storage, receive enough food to last two or three days or as much as they can carry.

The Pantry is open weekly, Monday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Contact

Email: inquiry@thesharingcenter.org

Monday - Friday

Corporate Office: 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Client Services: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

The Oasis: 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Monday - Saturday

Stores: 9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

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St. Johns County

Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc. – Diocese of St. Augustine – St. Augustine Regional Office

Address	525 SR 16, Unit 111-112, St. Augustine, FL 32084
Phone	Phone: 904-829-6300
Website	https://www.ccbstaug.org/
Email	Info@ccbstaug.org, wbennett@ccbstaug.org
Counties served	Flagler, St. Johns

Email: Info@ccbstaug.org Office Hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00am – 3:00pm

ABOUT US

Since 1975, Catholic Charities St. Augustine has worked to transform lives by serving our community's most vulnerable across the St. Johns, Putnam, and Flagler county communities. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance for rural families and students, homelessness prevention, and pregnancy and adoption support, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

Over the years, Catholic Charities St. Augustine has grown into a multi-faceted agency that served more than 10,000 people in our surrounding communities in 2020. Our services are offered to all people regardless of religious affiliation, gender, race or ethnic origin.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine's emergency financial assistance program is a recognized and proven way to prevent homelessness in Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns counties. Our program facilitates and distributes grants from several federal and state/local agencies to serve those in our community who are struggling to pay utility bills, rent/mortgage payments or need food assistance. By aiding them with these basic needs, we ensure they can stay safely in their homes.
- This program is open to families with children, households that are homeless, clients referred from other agencies that have worked with the family/individual, households or individuals who have experienced domestic violence in the past 30 days and families with children that are secondary tenants. Services available include:
- Rent and mortgage assistance
- Utility payments
- Rent and utility deposits
- Rental application fees

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If you are in need of emergency financial assistance, please contact us at (904) 829-6300.

- **FOOD ASSISTANCE: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
- **Food Pantry**

Catholic Charities St. Augustine serves people of all faiths and backgrounds. We encourage any of our neighbors who may be struggling to visit our food pantry located at our office at 525 State Rd 16 STE 112, St. Augustine, FL, 32084.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine Food Pantry
- 525 State Rd 16 STE 112, St. Augustine
- Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- Please bring an official form of photo identification, such as a driver's license. During holidays, please check here or call us for adjusted food distribution schedules.
- We gladly accept donations of non-perishable food items from the community. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Peanut Butter and Jelly
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Cereal – Hot and Cold
- Pasta and Spaghetti Sauce
- Canned Goods – Vegetables, fruits, soups, tuna, meats
- Dried Beans / Rice
- Diapers
- **Back Roads Program**

The Back Roads Program is a mobile food pantry operated by Catholic Charities St. Augustine that directly addresses the lack of transportation and other low-income barriers by the delivery of food to the remote parts of our three service areas (Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns).

We specifically target areas that are identified as food deserts by the USDA. Those who live in food deserts have limited access to transportation and grocery stores. Our team works alongside local libraries, community centers, churches, parishes and other outreach organizations which will help us to identify areas and individuals most in need.

To get help or donate to this program, contact Will Bennett at wbennett@ccbstaug.org or 904-829-6300, ext. 714.

- **WEEKEND HUNGER BACKPACK PROGRAM: HELPING PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH NUTRITIOUS MEALS SO THEY CAN FOCUS ON LEARNING**
- The Weekend Hunger Backpack Program addresses local food insecurity among children in a unique way inside the classroom. Each week, students discreetly receive a bag filled with nutritious kid-friendly food to take home. This ensures that they have meals and snacks to eat over the weekend, when school lunches are unavailable.
- With help from the school district staff, children in need are identified by their participation in the federal school meal assistance program. Each week, Catholic Charities St. Augustine staff organizes volunteers to help stuff recyclable bags with uniformed shelf-stable and nutritious food and other items. We then deliver these bags to

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the schools every Thursday so that the school can in turn distribute them before the weekend. Extra food is included on longer breaks such as three-day weekends, holidays and spring break.

- We gladly accept donations of non-perishable food items from the community. The following are some of our most urgently needed items:
- Vienna sausage (Pop top cans)
- Pudding (Ready to eat)
- Juice boxes
- Applesauce (Single serving)
- Fruit cup (Single serving)
- Cereal bowls
- Granola bars (No nuts)
- Protein bars (No nuts)
- Oatmeal (Single-serving packets)

To get help or donate to this program, contact Will Bennett at wbennett@ccbstaug.org or 904-829-6300, ext. 714.

- **DISASTER ASSISTANCE: FACILITATING DIRECT SUPPORT FOR LOCAL FAMILIES IN THE WAKE OF DISASTERS**
- In the aftermath of natural disasters and other crises, Catholic Charities St. Augustine works to help stabilize our community by directly assisting individuals in need. From financial assistance to case management, our team uplifts local families when they need it most. Many of these families have lost everything - homes, cars, belongings, and even loved ones. By providing tireless support to those who need us, we live our mission of providing compassion to the community's most vulnerable.
- **HOLIDAY ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING LOCAL FAMILIES WITH DONATED GIFTS TO CELEBRATE THE SEASON**
- Catholic Charities St. Augustine partners with several local organizations to facilitate our Holiday Assistance program: Hope for the Holidays. Each year, we work together to gather toys for local children who otherwise would not have gifts to open for the holidays. We collect and distribute hundreds of these gifts to families in need each year.
- Our team opens up applications in the fall for families facing hardship to apply to become a recipient of our Holiday Assistance program. Applications typically open in October and are first come, first served. To apply, you must meet the following criteria:
- You must have children living in your home.
- You must include the following documents in your applications:
  - Proof of county residency*, such as a current electric/water/cable bill
  - Vehicle registration
  - Lease agreement and/or mortgage documentation
  - Original social security cards for parent(s) and children
  - Original birth certificate for all children in home
  - Photo ID
  - List of gift ideas for all family members prepared before arrival
  - *The program is open to Flagler, Putnam and St. Johns County. Clients must apply through their own county: Flagler County residents must register at St. Vincent De Paul Church, Putnam County residents must register through our Palatka office, and

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St. Johns County residents must register through Catholic Charities St. Augustine. Please contact us with any questions regarding applications.

- **CARING CHOICES: CONNECTING FAMILIES WITH PREGNANCY COUNSELING AND ADOPTIVE SERVICES**
- As a licensed child placing agency, Catholic Charities Bureau, Inc., Diocese of St. Augustine has been a leader in the adoption field since the first Florida office opened in Jacksonville in 1943.
- The Adoption and Pregnancy Counseling Program provides services and advocacy for women with unplanned pregnancies. In accordance with the church's teaching to respect life, our services are designed to help preserve and protect the life of the child, to provide care and nurturing for women and their children, and to assist in the building up of families through adoption.

The services of this program are:

- Life-affirming pregnancy counseling to clients that may include education and referrals.
- Adoption services to pregnant women and adoptive families with the focus on securing the best parenting plan for the child.
- Post- legal adoption services including lifetime counseling to birth mother as needed and search assistance as requested by any member of the adoption triad.
- Home Studies to couples that are seeking adoption with other adoption agencies and attorneys are need.
- Adoption education to the community.

Please visit the Caring Choices website or call (866) 901-9647 for more information.

- **SENIOR SERVICES: ASSISTING AREA SENIORS STRUGGLING WITH FOOD INSECURITY AND ISOLATION**
- **COMPASSION TO-GO** Catholic Charities works with the St. Augustine Sheriff's Department to connect homebound seniors in the St. Augustine/St. Johns County community with compassionate food assistance. In addition to receiving a bag of nutritious meals, this program offers those with limited mobility an opportunity for some often much-needed social contact.

For more information about this program, contact Will Bennett at wbennett@ccbstaug.org or 904-829-6300, ext. 714.

- **ST. JOSEPH NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER: Rebuilding our community through Faith, Hope, Love, and Knowledge!**
- Founded in 2021, St. Joseph Neighborhood Center is a ministry of the Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Augustine. Our mission appeared to us through prayer and discernment by creating space to discover God's call to meet the current needs of our dear neighbor. The message we received over and over was clear and simple… 'continue to defend and be a voice for those who do not have one.'
- This non-profit organization is dedicated to improving the lives of Young Single Mothers and their children.

The services of this program are:

- Empowering Young Single Mothers to Achieve Economic Independence
- Providing GED/Career Programs

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- Developing Relationships with Companies to Secure Job Placement
- Teaching Development Tools to Help Women Thrive in Work and Life
- Mentoring Young Single Mothers with More Effective Parenting Skills

Please visit the St. Joseph Neighborhood Center website or call (904) 824-1752 for more information.

Feeding North East Florida

Address	5245 Old Kings Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32254
Phone	Phone: 904-513-1333
Website	https://feedingnefl.org/find-food-now/
Hours	Hours of Operation
Counties served	Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam, St. Johns

Feeding Northeast Florida is the largest, most efficient food bank serving Baker, Bradford, Clay, Duval, Flagler, Nassau, Putnam & St. Johns Counties. We work with retail partners, manufacturers, and farms to rescue high-quality food for those in need. Thanks to the generosity of our community, we are able to purchase additional food resources to meet the needs of Northeast Florida families and individuals who struggle to put food on the table. The support of our partners and individuals like you enables our work to serve over 85,000 of our neighbors in need every day.

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While many of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

I do not have a car or a food pantry close to me. How do I get help?

If there isn't an easily accessible pantry near you, many of our food pantry partners may still be able to assist. If you reach out to us, we may be able to connect you with agencies in your area who can arrange for home delivery in extenuating circumstances or who may offer SNAP applications. Applying for SNAP may expand your grocery budget and help you access food benefits in your area.

If you have any questions call the distribution center at 904-513-1333.

Receiving hours: 7 am - 2 pm

Warehouse Hours: 8 am - 4 pm

(Visits by Appointment Only)

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Address:

Salvation Army – St. Augustine Corps

Address	1425 Old Dixie Hwy, St. Augustine, FL 32084
Phone	Phone: 904-824-6956
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/usa-southern-territory/florida/northeast-florida-area-command/

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Services Offered at This Location:

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.
- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Youth Services

Children are most likely to commit or experience criminal activity between 3:00 – 6:00 p.m. on weekdays. This behavior includes vandalism, sexual misconduct, and cigarette, drug, and alcohol consumption. The Salvation Army offers a wide array of community programs to help cultivate brighter futures. Along with community centers dedicated to supporting the physical, emotional, and spiritual growth of moms, dads, and kids, we provide summer

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camps for kids, after-school programs for students of all ages, summer programs for high school students, and numerous music, art, and athletic programs for aspiring youth. While free summer camp invites kids to experience the world in a new way, extracurricular activities give families access to programs they might not otherwise be able to afford.

The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That's why The Salvation Army's annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Augustine (St. Johns County Conferences)

Address	282 San Marco Ave., St. Augustine, FL 32084
Phone	Phone: (904) 217-8097 Thrift Store Phone: (904) 824-3333 Phone: (904) 330-0153 ext. 4
Email	svdpstaug@hotmail.com, svdpsjdr@gmail.com
Hours	Hours: 9 a.m.- 5 p.m. (Mon.-Sat.)

How We Help

Typical support from a conference may include:

Financial assistance for housing, utilities, and other family needs. Food assistance, clothing, furniture, and other household goods.

"No work of Charity is foreign to the Society", so some Conferences may provide unique, or specialized, services depending on the needs of the community, or the individuals, that the Conference serves. Interaction with other charitable, service, or community organizations may also affect the amount and scope of resources that a Conference is able to provide to those in need.

The St. Augustine Diocesan Council is organized with three geographically oriented District Councils to provide administration and support to the Conferences located in the Catholic Diocese of St. Augustine.

Gainesville District Council (St. Johns County Conference)

St. Augustine Conference

Charlie Naber, President

Email: svdpstaug@hotmail.com

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Services: Provides clothing, household items & furniture. Will pick up & deliver household items & furniture.

Areas served: St. Johns County

Oceanside District Council (St. Johns County Conference)

St. John Paul II Conference

127 Stonemason Way

Ponte Vedra, FL 32081

Riverside District Council (St. Johns County Conference)

San Juan del Rio Conference

John Donnelly, President

1718 State Road 13 N.

St. Johns, FL 32259

Phone: (904) 412-3899

Email: svdpsjdr@gmail.com

Hours: 24 hours through voicemail

Services: Assistance with rent and utilities and provides food and limited clothing, household items & furniture.

Areas served: Parish

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St. Lucie County

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach, Inc. – Fort Pierce

Address	1119 Delaware Avenue, Fort Pierce, FL 34950
Phone	Phone (Program Information): (561) 345-2000 Phone (Administration & Donations): (561) 775-9560 Phone (Counseling Services Intake): (844) 848-6777
Website	https://www.ccdpb.org/

ABOUT US

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Palm Beach is a comprehensive nonprofit family service organization with offices located in Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, and Okeechobee counties.

Established in 1984 as the social service arm of the Palm Beach Diocese, Catholic Charities implements the charitable vision of our Most Reverend Gerald M. Barbarito, Bishop of the Diocese of Palm Beach. That is, to serve and advocate on behalf of those persons who do not have a voice or power to help themselves. Our mission is serving people in need and creating hope in all stages of life.

The services of Catholic Charities are available to all residents of the service area who qualify for the particular program. As the specific needs of the community change and the population rises, the services offered by Catholic Charities also change in response to those needs. Catholic Charities does not discriminate based on a client's religion, nor on any other classification protected under applicable federal, state or local discrimination laws. The agency serves more than 7,000 people in need every year throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach which includes the counties of Palm Beach, St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee. Catholic Charities currently provides services through 15 programs and ministries.

Our Catholic Charities' mission is rooted in the fundamental belief that every person has the right to be treated with dignity and that every human life is sacred. Integral to our mission and vision are Catholic Charities' core values of Faith, Respect and Service. These values underscore "why, how and what we do" within Catholic Charities. Our recognition that "God is in our midst" when we serve our clients, determines the moral strength of our agency. The time, care, dignity and professionalism that we offer each individual client and each other defines us as an exceptional agency.

PROGRAMS & SERVICES

- **In-Person and Virtual Counseling Services**

Currently offering virtual counseling sessions through a HIPAA compliant online portal

Call 844-848-6777 for an appointment.

The Catholic Charities Counseling Program provides confidential, professional counseling for adults, children, families, couples and groups in seven locations throughout the Diocese of Palm Beach. Our team of professional therapists address issues such as marital/relationship discord, child and family dynamics, depression, loneliness, outpatient level addiction recovery, infant loss grief support, grief and loss, anxiety/trauma, stressful relationships,

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child and adolescent problems and other life stressors. Bilingual services are also available (Spanish, German, and Dutch).

The Counseling Program offers its services to clients on a sliding scale based on household income as well as through insurance or employee assistance programs (EAP).

Other services the program offers include:

- Psychoeducational groups to the community
- Mental Health First Aid Training
- Therapy groups in the community
- Crisis debriefing/intervention services

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Treasure Coast Council

Address	697 SW Biltmore St., Port St. Lucie, FL 34983
Phone	Phone: (772) 344-1341 Phone: 772-879-1559 Phone (Help Line): (772) 878-8474 (Messages Only)
Website	https://www.holyfamilyccpsl.com/
Hours	Hours: Monday- Sat: 9AM - 3PM; Sun: Closed

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Treasure Coast Council Office and Thrift Store/Food Pantry

Persons in need can apply for assistance inside this thrift store. Some of the services we provide:

- Home Visits
- Food Pantry (located in our thrift store)
- Assistance with utilities, rent, clothing, furniture, prison visits, etc.
- Community resources and networking assistance
- Compassion and love for those we serve

When things get difficult and you have nowhere to turn please call your local parish based Saint Vincent de Paul Conference:

Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton Church Conference

930 SW Tunis Ave.

Port St. Lucie, FL 34953

St. Lucie Catholic Church Conference

425 SW Irving St

Port St Lucie, FL 34983

Saint Bernadette Catholic Church Conference

350 NW California Blvd.

Port St. Lucie, FL 34986

Phone: 772-344-1233

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Holy Family Catholic Church Conference

2330 SE Mariposa Avenue

Port St. Lucie, FL 34952

https://www.holyfamilyccpsl.com/

Phone (Hotline): 772-335-8621

Do you need help?

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. This aid may take the form of intervention, consultation, or through direct dollar or in-kind service.

All information is kept confidential and your personal dignity is respected.

Members and volunteers assist people in need and do not discriminate against cultural, religious or political beliefs.

Please call the Hotline at 772-335-8621. Your initial phone call will be answered by voicemail. Leave your name, a phone number, and a brief description of your request, and please speak clearly. Someone will call you back within 48 hours. When we call back, our call may show as "Restricted" on your caller ID.

If you have an urgent need that must be answered sooner, please call 211 for help.

If you are experiencing an emergency, please call 911.

Saint Anastasia Catholic Church/Saint Mark Conference

407 South 33rd Street

Fort Pierce, FL 34947

https://stanastasiachurch.org/st-vincent-de-paul-society

Phone: 772-465-4551

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to those in need on a

person-to-person basis. It is this personalized involvement that makes the work of the Society unique. This aid may take the form of intervention, consultation or often through direct dollar or in-kind service.

An essential precept of the Society's work is to provide help while conscientiously maintaining the confidentiality and dignity of those who are being served. The Society recognizes that is must assume, also, a role of advocacy for those who are defenseless or voiceless.

Saint Anastasia Parish has a collection for our local St. Vincent de Paul Society four times annually. There are permanent bins outside the Parish Center for food donations as well as a

Door Box located at the back of the Church. All donations are sent directly to our local

St. Vincent de Paul Society.

For more information, please contact the local Society office at 772-465-4551.

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Treasure Coast Food Bank

Website	https://stophunger.org/food-finder/
Email	orderahead@tcfoodbank.org, info@tcfoodbank.org
Counties served	Indian River, Martin, Okeechobee, St. Lucie

Treasure Coast Food Bank supports a network of emergency food assistance programs in Indian River, Martin, St. Lucie, and Okeechobee Counties. If you are in need of food, please contact one of our listed agency partners. For further assistance, contact the Treasure Coast Food Bank Partner Relations Department at 772-489-3034 between the hours of 8:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday. You will be directed to the nearest emergency food provider in your area.

For a list of partner emergency food assistance programs sorted by distance from your location, visit https://stophunger.org/food-finder/.

Please register for Emergency Food Assistance here: https://stophunger.org/find-support/. We will review all requests for help. A Benefits Outreach Specialist will contact you. Thank you.

OrderAhead

Concerned your groceries won't make it through the end of the month? OrderAhead is a fast, private & easy way to order free groceries online.

Getting Started

Getting the help you need has never been easier. In three easy steps, you'll be on your way to securing nutritious food for you and your family.

Download PDF Instructions: https://stophunger.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/01/Order-ahead-treasurecoast-food-bank.pdf

STEP 1: SELECT

- Click here to place your order now: https://www.orderahead.org/
- You will be redirected to OrderAhead's website.
- Visit orderahead.org and select your pickup date and location. Use zip code 34947 to find location.
- Before you order…Remember that OrderAhead customers are limited to two orders per month. Please visit our agency locator if you are seeking additional assistance.

STEP 2: CHOOSE

- Shop online and choose from a changing selection of groceries.

STEP 3: CLAIM

- Register or login, check out, and visit the pick-up site to claim your groceries.

Have more questions about OrderAhead?

We're here to help. For questions about how OrderAhead works, feel free to contact our director of client services, Sherry Siegfried **orderahead@tcfoodbank.org**

Market Fresh on the Move

Market Fresh on the Move is a fully self-contained "roving grocery store on wheels" deployed across identified food desert micro-neighborhoods across Indian River, St. Lucie, Martin and

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Okeechobee counties, offering convenient access to healthy, fresh food options for food insecure households on the Treasure Coast.

By utilizing data to strategically target know-food deserts, and to identify gaps in existing services and food access points, Market Fresh on the Move is an innovative solution working directly to address hunger on the frontlines across the Treasure Coast.

Stocked like a grocery store, Market Fresh on the Move provides first-quality food products including fresh fruits and vegetables, dairy, eggs, and meat, as well as a variety of dry and canned products. The program accepts cash, credit, or SNAP EBT cards for payment and offers many specials helping neighbors' dollars go further.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/marketfresh/

Health & Nutrition Outreach

Through a number of collaborative partnerships, TCFB provides direct food assistance, nutrition education, health management, and medical prescreening for chronic illnesses. We manage a Diabetes Awareness Program assisting clients with management of their condition through diet and education.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

SNAP-Ed Nutrition Education Program

In partnership with Florida Nutrition Ed, Treasure Coast Food Bank offers nutrition education classes to help SNAP-eligible Florida residents incorporate more nutritious foods into their diet, adopt an active lifestyle, and improve their quality of life. The program provides free nutrition education classes in St. Lucie, Indian River, Martin and Okeechobee counties.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

Programs for Kids

Treasure Coast Food Bank offers a variety of programs year-round for children at risk of food insecurity at partnering schools and community centers.

- **School Pantry Program** – Provides a variety of shelf-stable food directly to children and families in need. This is a progression of the Backpack Program by serving the whole family, rather than just one child.
- **Summer Meals Program** – Ensures that children in low- income areas receive nutritious meals during the summer months when they do not have access to free or reduced meals through their school's free or reduced meal program. Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/summer-meals-program/
- **After School Meals Program** – A nationally sponsored partnership program to provide free, nutritious meals and snacks to low-income children through a variety of community locations where children already congregate in safe, after-school environments.
- **Happy Baby Diaper Bank** – Provides diapers and other essential items for babies and toddlers to families in need through a collaborative partnership with organizations serving parents and infants in Southeast Florida.
- **Teen Pantry Program** – Impacts the lives of young adults by providing personal hygiene items to middle through high school aged adolescents, as well as appetite fulfilling breakfast and snack items.

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- **Farm 2 School** – Through a partnership with the St. Lucie County School District, Treasure Coast Food Bank stores and transports farm-fresh offerings to all St. Lucie County students in each of St. Lucie County's 42 public schools.
- **BackPack Program** – Provides children from low-income families with nutritious, easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and holidays when they don't have access to free and reduced lunch at school.

Programs for Seniors

Treasure Coast Food Bank programs focus on the improvement of our older neighbors' overall health and nutritional well-being.

- **Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP)** – This program aims to improve the health and nutritional well-being of elderly individuals, 60 years and older, who are vulnerable to malnutrition and are income eligible.
- **Healthy Options Program for the Elderly (H.O.P.E.)** – Working with community partners such as public housing, senior centers, and medical clinics, this program provides 30+ pound boxes of shelf-stable food as a supplement to our senior population.
- **Senior Mobile Pantry Program** – Weekly community distributions throughout the Treasure Coast providing 60+ pounds of nutritious food and other essentials to seniors.
- **Veterans' Outreach** – This initiative targets homeless veterans in our four-county area by providing them with boxes packed at our Distribution Center. In those boxes are nutritious food items suitable for outdoor living as well as sunscreen, shampoo, and conditioner.

Job Training Programs

Treasure Coast Food Bank's job training programs support self-sufficiency, address the root causes of hunger, and provide job readiness opportunities for unemployed or underemployed individuals interested in entering growing career fields.

We actively offer programs in culinary training, supply chain management, CDL certifications, hospitality, and barista training.

All programs include life skills training and professional preparedness training, which encompass resume writing, interview skills, and soft skills training alongside industry standardized courses.

Eligible individuals who qualify can attend our courses free of charge.

See available programs and learn more: https://stophunger.org/umbrella/job-training-programs/

Benefits Outreach Program

Our Benefits Outreach team reaches out to eligible low-income people who are not currently participating in SNAP, Medicaid, Florida Kid Care, and TANF and shares information about the benefits of the program to help them make an informed participation decision. The program also includes nutrition education, health & wellness workshops, economic mobility presentations, senior programs, child nutrition programs, and more. It provides individuals and families with the tools they need to achieve independence, health, and financial stability and is available in English, Spanish, and Creole.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/snaped/

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Whole Child Connection Program

Whole Child Connection is designed to provide a simple, straight-forward way to connect local families with the help that they need. It is available to all Martin County children and their families, ensuring anonymity while giving them access to a wide range of community services. The goal is to help families lead a healthier, more fulfilling life.

Learn More: https://stophunger.org/program/whole-child-connection/

Contact Treasure Coast Food Bank

401 Angle Rd. Ft. Pierce, FL 34947 Phone: 772.489.3034

Fax: 772.489.5673

Email: info@tcfoodbank.org

Website: https://stophunger.org/

United Against Poverty

Website	https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/
Counties served	Indian River, St. Lucie

https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/ United Against Poverty is a registered 501c3 nonprofit with campuses in Indian River County, Orlando, and St. Lucie County Florida. Our mission is to serve those in poverty by providing crisis care, case management, transformative education, food and household subsidy, employment training and active referrals to other collaborative social service providers.

Emergency Food assistance

Our Member Share Grocery Program is a dignified food and household assistance program that allows members to select the nutritious food items they choose.

Here's how it works:

Qualified Families who are living in the 200% or below Federal Poverty Level must fill out an application. Upon qualification, they receive a free Member Card. Once they are given a card, they can select any food or household product they may need for their households. This provides the basic needs, the variety and the nutritious food needed for them and their families. Our Program Members contribute a nominal handling fee per item, to cover costs of picking up donations. This contribution gives them dignity and empowerment to engage in the life changing transformational programs we offer at UP. Any proceeds from those contributions are directed back into the support of facilitating our life changing programs.

Member Share Grocery Program Hours of Operation

Monday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Tuesday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Wednesday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Thursday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Friday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. – 6 p.m.

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Sunday: 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Qualified members can save up to 70% of their household food and product budget.

Membership is free. *Check below to see if your household qualifies to be part of this nonprofit grocery program.

Household Size Annual Household Income At/Below

1 $27,180

2 $36,620

3 $46,060

4 $55,500

*For households with more than 4 people, add $8,960 for each additional person.

English Form: https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/campus/st-lucie/

Spanish Form: https://unitedagainstpoverty.org/campus/st-lucie/

Contact

UP St. Lucie
2520 Orange Avenue
Fort Pierce, FL 34947
772-468-8543

UP Orlando
150 W Michigan St
Orlando, FL 32806
(407) 650-0774

UP Indian River (North)
1400 27th Street
Vero Beach, FL 32960
772-564-9365

UP Indian River (South)
1050 Old Dixie Highway SW
Vero Beach, FL 32962
772-564-9365

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Sumter County

Community Food Bank | Feed352

Address	5259 W Cardinal Street, Homosassa, FL 34446
Phone	Phone: 352-628-3663
Website	https://feed352.org
Email	info@feed352.org
Hours	Hours: Mon - Fri: 6am - 2pm
Counties served	Citrus, Hernando, Sumter

Website: https://feed352.org

Email: info@feed352.org

- **Our Organization**

Founded in 2013, the Community Food Bank (CFB) is a lifeline for individuals and families throughout Citrus, Hernando, and Sumter counties who are facing food insecurity. Our sole purpose is to ensure no one goes hungry. Hunger is hurting our entire community as thousands of young men, women, and senior citizens who have never sought food assistance in the past find they are unable to feed themselves or their families.

The CFB raises funds, collects food, and provides tangible resources to 60+ food pantries, soup kitchens, shelters, senior centers, ministries, and other resource agencies to help them serve individuals and families throughout our community. Our efforts enable area agencies to provide food assistance to more than 70,000 people each month. We're on track to distribute more than five (5) million pounds of food in 2022.

- **Find Help**

Our agencies consist of food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters that provide food to those in need.

The Community Food Bank is a centralized operation providing food, support, and resources to the vast network of public service organizations listed below. Our agencies consist of food pantries, soup kitchens and shelters that provide food to those in need.

Find a Food Relief Agency near you: https://feed352.org/food-agencies/

Click the map, then select a location by clicking the icon on the top left bar of the map window and scrolling down the list or just select a point on the map. This will provide you with a name, address, and phone number to a location.

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Feeding Tampa Bay

Address	3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619
Phone	Phone: (813) 254-1190 Email: info@feedingtampabay.org
Website	https://ftb.org/
Email	info@feedingtampabay.org, feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org
Counties served	Citrus, Hardee, Hernando, Highlands, Hillsborough, Manatee, Pasco, Pinellas, Polk, Sumter

Where We Serve

Feeding Tampa Bay provides food assistance for 10 counties across West Central Florida - with 3 physical locations in Hillsborough and Pinellas counties. Feeding Tampa Bay serves Citrus, Sumter, Hernando, Pasco, Pinellas, Hillsborough, Polk, Manatee, Hardee, and Highlands counties.

Find Food & Resources: https://ftb.org/findfood

We have a variety of food assistance options available across our 10-county region, like mobile grocery locations, food pantries, benefits assistance, and a job training program.

Get Free Groceries For The Week: https://ftb.org/findfood

Receive fresh groceries from one of the neighborhood sites below, free of charge. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code** to narrow your search. **Click on a calendar line item** to find details, such as address and time.

Note: Some of the food we distribute is provided through government grants. Any sites distributing this product require completion of a form upon receipt.

Find A Pantry: https://ftb.org/findfood

We partner with 400+ pantries across Tampa Bay. **Select your County from the drop-down menu or enter your zip code**. Select **A Hot Meal Today** for all soup kitchens or meal sites, or **A Box of Fresh Groceries** for all food pantries in your area. Click on a site to find location details and call to verify hours of operation.

Application Process/Documents Required:

Is any paperwork required to get food from a pantry?

While the majority of our distributions do not require paperwork to receive food, some do. Paperwork is required for distributions that provide food from government programs. This information is used to determine how much food our area will receive through future government programs. Any information or paperwork our food pantry partners gather may differ by site. Similarly, paperwork is requested at some of our FTB distributions in hopes of understanding the impact of our services and may look more like a survey. This paperwork is used to alter our operations and better serve you.

If you ever feel uncomfortable with what is being asked or would like clarification on use of information, please do not hesitate to ask for a staff member or volunteer in charge at any pantry.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Causeway Center

Causeway Center Hours: 8:00 AM-5:00 PM, Monday to Friday

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The Bistro at Causeway Center Hours: Mondays 11:00am - 2:00pm / Wednesdays 11:00am - 2:00pm

Website: https://ftb.org/causeway

Location Information: Currently, the closest HART bus stop is located 2.2 miles from Causeway Center at the intersection of 50th Street and Palm River Road for Route 8. Once you make the turn off of Causeway Blvd, there will be directional signs guiding you around the facility. Please follow the parking lot signs to park your vehicle in the area appropriate for your reason for visiting FTB. To access services upon arrival, look for The Entryway signage where you will enter and be directed to a variety of services, including groceries in The Market, a hot meal in The Bistro, or resource connections in The Neighborhood.

Community Resources

Our Neighbor Services team can help connect you to the services you need most including Benefits Navigation and on-site Community Partners for your convenience. We're here to help. Talk with one of our navigators and connect to resources like food assistance, benefits navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Our team can assist over the phone in any language and provide resources across our 10 county service territory.

Services Offered

Our team collaborates with local partners to provide the following services.

- **SNAP Assistance:**

Connect to benefits that allow you to purchase the foods your family needs most

- **Food Assistance:**

Identify the food service programs that are most convenient for you

- **Benefits Navigation:**

Simplify confusing or complex government processes by working with an FTB Navigator

- **Crisis Intervention:**

Meet with a trauma-informed FTB Navigator to stabilize overwhelming situations

- **Advocacy:**

Talk with our team to learn about and overcome barriers to success

- **Information & Referrals:**

Receive training, education, or referrals to helpful resources

Community Place at Causeway Center

Community Place refers to the collection of services offered at our new Tampa facility, the Causeway Center. here you can find a quick-service restaurant, a grocery store, and onsite connections to various social services – like food assistance, resource navigation, family services, and financial assistance. Learn more about each service below.

3624 Causeway Blvd Tampa, FL 33619

The Neighborhood

Have questions about food assistance, SNAP, or other benefits? We're here to help you. Get connected to the services you need most over the phone or in person at our new Causeway Center.

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Walk-ins and appointments available:

Monday – Thursday: 9 am – 4 pm

All services are available for walk-ins on a first come, first served basis. Some services are also available by appointment.

Schedule your visit: https://waitwhile.com/locations/feedingtampabay-part/welcome

The Market

This program provides essential fresh and frozen items. **Shoppers can come once per month and MUST have an appointment.**

Senior Market Mondays:

Stop by the Neighborhood and ask about joining S'Well, a shopping program just for seniors.

General Market Shopping:

Tuesday – Thursday: 1 pm to 7 pm by appointment only

Learn more about the Market

If this shopping location is too far from your home, explore our 400+ locations to Find Food closer to you.

The Bistro

The bistro, a concept of Trinity Cafe, is our new quick service restaurant that will bring hot meals and small bites to community members on campus. All are welcome, free of charge.

Hours:

Mondays: 11am – 2pm Wednesdays: 11am – 2pm

Additional dates to be added in the new year.

The Learning Zone

The Learning Zone includes 3 dedicated classrooms and meeting space designed to connect you with additional support and assistance. Feeding Tampa Bay, alongside our partners, will offers free community classes each month. Class schedules change month to month, so check out our calendar to learn more about class topics and sign up today.

June Class Schedule: https://ftb.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/05/Neighbor_20Services_20Calendar_20_20June_202025.pdf.pdf

Nutrition Education

Tips and recipes to eat healthy every day.

Learn more: https://ftb.org/health-wellness/nutrition-education

Adult Education

ESOL: Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 1:30pm Monday - Thursday: 5:30 - 8:30pm

GED: Tuesdays & Thursdays 8:30am - 1:30pm

For questions, contact Clearview Adult Education Center at 727-450-9746.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Trinity Cafe Nebraska

2801 N Nebraska Ave Tampa, FL 33602

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Hours: M – F: 11:30am - 12:30pm / Sat – Sun: 9:00am – 10:00am

Website: https://ftb.org/groceries-meals/trinity-cafe

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

Feeding Tampa Bay – Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center & Trinity Cafe

6330 54th Ave N St. Petersburg, FL 33709

Trinity Café Hours: M - F: 11:30am - 12:30pm

Food Pantry Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

Email: feedingpinellas@feedingtampabay.org

Phone: 813.710.6269

Website: https://ftb.org/feeding-pinellas

- **Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center**

Bringing services and support directly into the heart of Pinellas County. Find all resources, programs, and ways to get involved at our Feeding Pinellas Empowerment Center.

- **Trinity Cafe at Feeding Pinellas**

Trinity Cafe is our free, full-service restaurant for those in need of a healthy meal today. 365 days a year, our chef prepares fresh, nutritious dishes for our guests. No need to call ahead, walk-in and enjoy a 3-course meal with us on-site or collect a meal to go at one of our Hillsborough or Pinellas locations.

- **Onsite Food Pantry**

Our free on-site grocery store where you can shop for essential fresh, frozen, and shelf-stable items. Guests can shop on a first-come-first-served basis.

Operating Hours: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays, 1:30 – 4:30 pm

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Salvation Army – Sumter County Service Center

Address	870 N Main St, Bushnell, FL 33513
Phone	Phone: 352-568-2284
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/bushnell/e-dade-ave/

Request Assistance: https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/bushnell/e-dade-ave/

Emergency Services Salvation Army social service programs help meet the basic needs of daily life for those without the resources to do so themselves. Most often, the programs provide food, clothing, financial assistance to pay utilities, and other necessities. Services provided may vary by location. All Emergency family and individual assistance is provided with dignity and respect.

Emergency Services Offered at This Location:

- **Seasonal Services**
  - Seasonal services are special services to help families and children in need at specific times during the year. Seasonal services offered include the many special Christmas

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giving programs such as holiday food distribution, toy giving programs for needy children, and adopt-a-family initiatives. Beyond Christmas, seasonal services include weather related assistance like fan distribution in the hot summer months and heat assistance in the winter. Back-to-school is another time of special services including specific material assistance such as backpacks, school clothing and school supplies. Services offered vary by community needs and location.

- **Casework Services**
  - The Salvation Army offers case management services in a variety of settings. Social workers and caseworkers work one-on-one with program participants in partnership to offer opportunities to better their lives. This occurs through an assessment process followed by goal planning in applicable areas. Regular casework sessions provide support and accountability.
- **Food Pantry**
  - Social Service corps, institutions, programs and canteens meet a basic human need for food and nutrition targeted to specific populations. These mass and congregate feeding programs, mobile meals and commodities distributions serve children, homeless persons, seniors and families in various configurations including seasonal food assistance, food pantries and banks, soup kitchens, day camps, snacks served and home delivered meals.

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – St. Vincent de Paul Catholic Church Conference

Address	5323 E CR 462, Wildwood, FL 34785
Phone	Sherri England (Food Pantry); Phone: (352) 748-0778 Barbara McManus (Soup Kitchen); Phone: (352) 299-6494 Sheila Duffy (Outreach); Phone: (352) 689-0129
Website	https://sumtercatholic.org/contact-us/community-support-directory/
Email	churchoffice@sumtercatholic.org

Phone: (352) 330-0220

Email: churchoffice@sumtercatholic.org

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Suwannee County

Catholic Charities Lake City

Address	553 NW Railroad Street, Lake City, FL 32055
Phone	Phone: 386-754-9180
Website	https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/
Email	suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org, Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org
Counties served	Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Suwannee, Union

Fax: 386-754-5325 Email: suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/catholiccharitieslc

Administrative Hours: Monday – Friday, 7:30am to 3:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 22 years, Catholic Charities Lake City has served the local communities of Columbia, Suwannee, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Union counties with charity rooted in compassion. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, disaster relief, and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** Our Emergency Assistance Program is recognized and leads the way as the go to agency for one stop shop! We assist with helping families prior to becoming homeless as well as when they become behind on a potential utility, rent or mortgage payment. In addition, our Stellar Food Pantry is open 5 days a week sunny, rainy, hot, or cold from 7:30am to 11:30am Monday – Friday. We assist all our financial clients with a friendly, experienced case manager to assist with the initial assessment and together working a personalized case plan with his family for self sufficiency – providing referrals and connecting with other agencies as we all partner together for the greater good of our clients. Our service area is vast and wide to the Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Union, and Columbia counties. Four of the five are food deserts, and all five of these counties have NO PUBLIC transportation at all. Please email Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org for more information.
- **FOOD PANTRY: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
  - **Catholic Charities Food Pantry** The Catholic Charities Lake City team has operated a food pantry located at our office for decades. We offer food staples such as:
    - Mac & cheese
    - Canned tuna or canned chicken
    - Juice boxes Peanut butter (no glass)

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        - Rice & dried beans
        - Pasta & spaghetti sauce
        - Dry cereal
        - Canned veggies
        - Canned soups
        - Any Pop-Top foods
        - Low sodium items

We also distribute non-food items such as:

- Diapers (all sizes)
    - Toilet paper
        - Toothpaste (small tubes)
        - Toothbrushes
        - Quart, Gallon size zip lock storage bags
        - 18 qt. trash bags

Please visit our Facebook page for the most up-to-date hours and any changes during the holiday season. For other questions, please contact Suzanne Edwards at Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.com.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

Catholic Charities Lake City

553 NW Railroad Street

Lake City, FL 32055

Monday-Friday 7:30am - 11:30am

Phone: 386-755-5683

- **Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach Program** Our Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach program serves five counties in Florida, none of which have public transportation. We use our refrigerated truck to bring fresh groceries to rural areas where people have no ability to get to our Food Pantry. We provide canned food, fresh produce, dairy, meats, bread, and pastries to those in need. Please look out for Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach announcements, which are posted 2 weeks prior to our events on our Facebook page.
    - **Partner Food Pantries**

If you are struggling with food insecurity, check out our food pantry hours or visit one of our 60 partner locations throughout Columbia, Hamilton, Suwanee, and Union counties.

County	Name	Physical Address	City	Phone Number
Columbia	Bethlehem United Methodist	712 SW Bethlehem Ave	Fort White	386-856-1826
Columbia	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad Street	Lake City	386-754-9180
Columbia	Christian Service Center	421 NW Washington St.	Lake City	386-755-1770
Columbia	Evangel Deliverance Miracle	256 NW Carol Place	Lake City	386-365-8424
Columbia	LuLu Baptist Church	160 SE Gillen Terrace	LuLu	904-703-9567
Columbia	Olivet Missionary Baptist Church	541 NE Davis Avenue	Lake City	386-752-1990
Columbia	Partners of HOPE	217 SW Dyal Avenue	Lake City	386-867-0628
Columbia	Trinity UMC	310 NE Martin Luther King S	Lake City	386-752-3701
Columbia	Word in Power	5888 NW US Highway 41	Lake City	386-984-8607

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Columbia	Young Marines of NCF	464 SW Amiel Ct.	Fort White	386-867-1380
Hamilton	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Hamilton	New Bethel AME Church	604 SW 6th St.	Jasper	386-855-1997
Suwannee	African Baptist Church	502 Walker Ave. SW	Live Oak	386-362-8860
Suwannee	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Suwannee	Evergreen Baptist Church	2509 224th St.	Lake City	386-628-1692
Suwannee	First Baptist Church	401 W. Howard St.	Live Oak	904-412-1811
Suwannee	Mt. Gilead Baptist Church	18305 56th St.	Live Oak	386-209-4252
Suwannee	O'Brien Baptist Church	9544 E CR 349	O'Brien	386-288-3768
Suwannee	Power For Living	22880 SR 247	Lake City	386-365-2862
Suwannee	San Juan Catholic Mission	304 Plant Avenue SE	Branford	386-935-2632
Suwannee	St. Francis Xavier Catholic	928 Howard St. East	Live Oak	386-364-1108
Suwannee	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	1391 11th St. SW	Live Oak	386-362-1837
Suwannee	Wellborn Church of God	3330 E. US Highway 90	Wellborn	386-963-4988
Suwannee	Wellborn United Methodist	12005 CR. 137	Wellborn	386-963-2324
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Taylor County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Tallahassee Office

Address	1380 Blountstown Hwy., Tallahassee, FL 32304
Phone	Phone: 850-222-2180
Counties served	Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

A visit for emergency assistance at any of our four regional offices is often the first contact individuals have with Catholic Charities.

Catholic Charities helps in emergencies with such basic needs as financial assistance for housing, utilities, prescriptions, and food. Our staff is acutely aware of services provided within our agency and community at large and is knowledgeable about researching new resources that can benefit those in need.

The target population is families in crisis who live in our 18-county service area across Northwest Florida (Escambia County, Santa Rosa County, Okaloosa County, Walton County, Washington County, Holmes County, Bay County, Jackson County, Calhoun County, Gulf County, Gadsden County, Liberty County, Franklin County, Leon County, Wakulla County, Jefferson County, Madison County, and Taylor County). Caseworkers prioritize and assist potential clients according to needs, housing status, and family composition.

Catholic Charities attempts to assist as many applicants as possible with the emergency situation they face by providing financial counseling and referrals to other resources as appropriate. Catholic Charities does not have income eligibility restrictions for most programs.

Many families are facing multiple problems. Although one problem may be presented, generally financial in nature, our caseworkers are able to assess other possible needs and problems of the family. Appointments are assessed and referred to the appropriate case manager or community resource.

Information needed to apply:

- Photo ID for all adults in the household
- Birth certificates for all children in the household
- Proof of emergency hardship
- Social Security Cards for all household members
- Verification of all income for all household members
- Receipts of any and all payments/expenses made in the last 30 days
- Screenings are accepted on a weekly basis. Please contact your local office for appointment and screening information.

ARE YOU IN NEED OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE? PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THIS IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

Screenings for emergency assistance are by appointment only and are available until all appointment times are filled. You may call your local office Monday through Friday and the screening process will be explained to you. Please understand that we receive a very high volume of calls and appointment times fill up quickly.

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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

Website	https://fightinghunger.org/
Email	melissa@fightinghunger.org
Counties served	Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

Second Harvest is a nonprofit food bank that collects and distributes food to hunger-relief charities, and also through specialized programs and mobile food distributions undertaken with community partners. We are dedicated to reducing hunger and malnutrition, and we function as the warehouse for millions of pounds of food and other essential products that go out to the community. We are a member of Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic food relief organization, and one of three Feeding America food banks in Florida designated for disaster/crisis response.

Our Feeding America service area is 9,000 square miles and includes 11 counties: Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla.

Additionally, under contract with other north Florida food banks, we serve five more counties: Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwanee.

The food bank operates from a 41,000-square-foot facility located in Tallahassee, FL. The facility includes seven shipping docks, 12,000 square feet of freezer and cooler space, and a fleet of 13 vehicles including box trucks, tractors, trailers, two Sprinter vans

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
  - Second Harvest of the Big Bend is a member of the Feeding America network, which is the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization, comprising 200 food banks throughout the country.
  - Food collected by Second Harvest food bank is distributed through our network of 135 partner agencies, including other nonprofit charities and faith-based organizations. These range from soup kitchens that serve daily, to food pantries that distribute food weekly, and to residential programs for the homeless.
  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
  - Seniors are served at participating Second Harvest Partner Agencies in Gulf, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties.
  - All seniors 60 or older qualify for our Senior Grocery Program. Eligible seniors can enroll at one of the 14 participating distribution sites listed below.
    - Innovative Charities
    - Jackson County

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- Elder Care Services
- Jackson County
- Jefferson County Senior Center
- Jefferson County
- Flipper Chapel AME Church
- Leon County
- Georgia Bell Dickenson
- Leon County
- Liberty County Senior Center
- Liberty County
- Faith Baptist Church
- Madison County
- Good News Outreach
- Leon County
- Big Bend Cares-CarePoint Leon County
- Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement
- Leon County
- Fellowship Baptist Church
- Taylor County
- Pioneer Bay
- Gulf County
- Lee Community Complex
- Hamilton County
- IFAS Community Center
- Lafayette County

For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

850-562-3033 (ext. 212)

- **Child Nutrition Programs**

Backpack Program

- Our Backpack Program provides children with a bag of food each Friday to ensure their nutritional needs are met over the weekend. Each food bag includes six components: milk, protein, ready-to-eat, fruit, vegetable and grain, and fits into a child's backpack.
  - The program provides 4,500 bags of food every week to children in Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties, serving children who rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their meals.
  - For the 2020/2021 school year, we distributed 125,000 backpacks, or 750,000 meals, through our backpack program.

Kid's Cafe Program

- The Kid's Cafe Program helps feed Leon County children after school at community centers and churches during the school months of August through June. This program

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helps bridge the gap for children who receive most of their meals from school and may not have a nutritious dinner when they go home.
    - During the 2020/2021 school year, we have seven parks and recreation center distribution sites.
    - Additionally, our **“Food on the Move Afterschool” program** delivers free food for kids in Leon County at designated underserved neighborhoods throughout the school year.

Summer BreakSpot Program

- The Summer BreakSpot Program provides kids a free, nutritious meal and snack at sponsored sites during the summer months, ensuring children have a stable source of food for their nourishment and growth when school is out.
    - Our 2022 Summer Feeding Program includes eight Summer BreakSpot locations in Leon and Madison counties, providing free breakfast, lunch and/or supper to kids 18 and under.
    - Find a Summer Feeding site near you anywhere in the State of Florida: https://www.fna.usda.gov/sfsp
    - If you are interested in becoming a Summer Food Service Program site, please complete the online registration: https://forms.office.com/r/t5rPhsrrtr

Food on the Move

- The Food on the Move program helps bridge the gap during summer months for kids who rely on school for most of their meals. Second Harvest’s “Food on the Move” van is delivering free food to kids 18 and under at nine Tallahassee locations, Monday-Friday, June 6-July 29.

School Pantry Program

- The School Pantry Program provides a large bag or box of food to accommodate a family for a few days. Currently this program operates at the following Leon County schools, and FSU:
    - Rickards High School
        - Amos P. Godby High School
        - Augusta Raa Middle School
        - Pineview Elementary School
        - W.T. Moore Elementary School
        - Oak Ridge Elementary School
        - Chaires Elementary School
        - Fairview Middle School
        - Nims Middle School
        - FSU Food for Thought pantry
- **Disaster Relief**
    - Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank serves as one of Feeding America’s three emergency food distribution hubs in Florida. As such, we contribute to the statewide coordination of emergency food and water in response to disasters.
    - As part of the Big Bend COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) which includes the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Operations Center, Volunteer Leon, Big Bend 211 and others, Second Harvest provides food, water and other

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necessities both before and after a crisis or disaster. Second Harvest also works in conjunction with Feeding Florida and its other 11- member food banks to cover disaster situations throughout the entire state of Florida.
    - In our 41,000-square-foot warehouse, we are able to stage supplies for our fellow COAD members to supplement their supply chains. In conjunction with Feeding Florida, Second Harvest also stores disaster relief product for the Florida Department of Emergency Management.
- **Mobile Pantry Program**
    - Mobile pantries are Second Harvest of the Big Bend food distributions funded by grants and donations and conducted jointly with one of our Agency Partners located throughout our 11-county service area, often in a church or nonprofit's parking lot, at an announced date and time.
    - Between 100 and 900 people will typically receive food distributions, including dry goods, fresh produce and frozen meat. All active partners in good standing are eligible to host a mobile pantry.
    - Benefits of Mobile Pantry
        - Besides offering flexibility of delivery, mobile pantries offer a quick and effective way to distribute food and maintain an atmosphere of dignity. A mobile pantry also serves some very specific needs:
        - Targets underserved areas, removing barriers to access and therefore expanding capacity, building community and creating access.
        - Takes food directly to clients in a timely manner allowing a farmer's market-style distribution encouraging greater interaction between volunteers and clients, encouraging everyone to share recipes, family traditions and life experiences.
        - Provides the opportunity for religious and charitable organizations to partner with local governments, businesses, and universities to manage the distribution. A one-time distribution can develop into a long-term partnership to provide necessary services for the needy in the community.

Here's what you can expect when you visit one of our partner pantries:

- You will see signage outside the pantry directing you to the right place
- You will be asked how many people live in your household so we can give you enough food
- You may need to present your ID to show you live within the county
- You may need to fill out a form to self-report your income and how many people live in your home (this only needs to be done once a year)
- You can always expect supportive staff to help get you support when you need it.

If you would like more information about Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank and the services we provide, please use the contact information below.

Our Location: 4446 Entrepot Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32310.

Phone: 850-562-3033 Fax: 850-562-6176

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Salvation Army – Perry and Taylor County Service Unit

Address	604 W Julia St, Perry, FL 32347
Website	https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/perry/w-julia-st/

Request Assistance: https://www.salvationarmyusa.org/fl/perry/w-julia-st/

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Emergency Services Offered at This Location:

- **Emergency Shelter**
  - Group homes, emergency shelters, and transitional & permanent supportive housing projects provide housing for varying amounts of time. While in our programs, residents are required to meet regularly with a case manager. Case managers use these meetings to collaboratively create a plan for achieving a more permanent housing solution for each resident. Often times these programs also provide educational, counseling and vocational services to address long-term specific issues that may present as barriers to our program participants. In some instances, residential programs are designed to target specific barriers such as; substance abuse, mental illness and domestic abuse.
    - **Emergency Shelters**

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- **Group Homes and Transitional Living Centers**

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- **Casework Services**
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Union County

Catholic Charities Lake City

Address	553 NW Railroad Street, Lake City, FL 32055
Phone	Phone: 386-754-9180
Website	https://www.catholiccharitieslakecity.org/
Email	suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org, Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org
Counties served	Columbia, Hamilton, Lafayette, Suwannee, Union

Fax: 386-754-5325 Email: suzanne@catholiccharitieslakecity.org

Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/catholiccharitieslc

Administrative Hours: Monday – Friday, 7:30am to 3:30pm

ABOUT US

For more than 22 years, Catholic Charities Lake City has served the local communities of Columbia, Suwannee, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Union counties with charity rooted in compassion. Our fundamental belief is that we have a responsibility to care for those in need by meeting basic human needs, restoring dignity, and assisting toward self-sufficiency.

By providing emergency financial assistance, food assistance, community outreach services, disaster relief, and housing assistance, we are putting our beliefs into action to transform lives.

PROGRAMS AND SERVICES:

- **EMERGENCY FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE: PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS TO THOSE ON THE BRINK OF HOMELESSNESS** Our Emergency Assistance Program is recognized and leads the way as the go to agency for one stop shop! We assist with helping families prior to becoming homeless as well as when they become behind on a potential utility, rent or mortgage payment. In addition, our Stellar Food Pantry is open 5 days a week sunny, rainy, hot, or cold from 7:30am to 11:30am Monday – Friday. We assist all our financial clients with a friendly, experienced case manager to assist with the initial assessment and together working a personalized case plan with his family for self sufficiency – providing referrals and connecting with other agencies as we all partner together for the greater good of our clients. Our service area is vast and wide to the Hamilton, Suwannee, Lafayette, Union, and Columbia counties. Four of the five are food deserts, and all five of these counties have NO PUBLIC transportation at all. Please email Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.org for more information.
- **FOOD PANTRY: MEETING THE MOST BASIC HUMAN NEED BY FEEDING THE HUNGRY**
  - **Catholic Charities Food Pantry** The Catholic Charities Lake City team has operated a food pantry located at our office for decades. We offer food staples such as:
    - Mac & cheese
    - Canned tuna or canned chicken
    - Juice boxes Peanut butter (no glass)

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        - Rice & dried beans
        - Pasta & spaghetti sauce
        - Dry cereal
        - Canned veggies
        - Canned soups
        - Any Pop-Top foods
        - Low sodium items

We also distribute non-food items such as:

- Diapers (all sizes)
    - Toilet paper
        - Toothpaste (small tubes)
        - Toothbrushes
        - Quart, Gallon size zip lock storage bags
        - 18 qt. trash bags

Please visit our Facebook page for the most up-to-date hours and any changes during the holiday season. For other questions, please contact Suzanne Edwards at Suzanne@CatholicCharitiesLakeCity.com.

- **FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION & HOURS**

Catholic Charities Lake City

553 NW Railroad Street

Lake City, FL 32055

Monday-Friday 7:30am - 11:30am

Phone: 386-755-5683

- **Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach Program** Our Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach program serves five counties in Florida, none of which have public transportation. We use our refrigerated truck to bring fresh groceries to rural areas where people have no ability to get to our Food Pantry. We provide canned food, fresh produce, dairy, meats, bread, and pastries to those in need. Please look out for Feed-A-Family Mobile Outreach announcements, which are posted 2 weeks prior to our events on our Facebook page.
    - **Partner Food Pantries**

If you are struggling with food insecurity, check out our food pantry hours or visit one of our 60 partner locations throughout Columbia, Hamilton, Suwanee, and Union counties.

County	Name	Physical Address	City	Phone Number
Columbia	Bethlehem United Methodist	712 SW Bethlehem Ave	Fort White	386-856-1826
Columbia	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad Street	Lake City	386-754-9180
Columbia	Christian Service Center	421 NW Washington St.	Lake City	386-755-1770
Columbia	Evangel Deliverance Miracle	256 NW Carol Place	Lake City	386-365-8424
Columbia	LuLu Baptist Church	160 SE Gillen Terrace	LuLu	904-703-9567
Columbia	Olivet Missionary Baptist Church	541 NE Davis Avenue	Lake City	386-752-1990
Columbia	Partners of HOPE	217 SW Dyal Avenue	Lake City	386-867-0628
Columbia	Trinity UMC	310 NE Martin Luther King S	Lake City	386-752-3701
Columbia	Word in Power	5888 NW US Highway 41	Lake City	386-984-8607

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Columbia	Young Marines of NCF	464 SW Amiel Ct.	Fort White	386-867-1380
Hamilton	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Hamilton	New Bethel AME Church	604 SW 6th St.	Jasper	386-855-1997
Suwannee	African Baptist Church	502 Walker Ave. SW	Live Oak	386-362-8860
Suwannee	Catholic Charities	553 NW Railroad St.	Lake City	386-754-9180
Suwannee	Evergreen Baptist Church	2509 224th St.	Lake City	386-628-1692
Suwannee	First Baptist Church	401 W. Howard St.	Live Oak	904-412-1811
Suwannee	Mt. Gilead Baptist Church	18305 56th St.	Live Oak	386-209-4252
Suwannee	O'Brien Baptist Church	9544 E CR 349	O'Brien	386-288-3768
Suwannee	Power For Living	22880 SR 247	Lake City	386-365-2862
Suwannee	San Juan Catholic Mission	304 Plant Avenue SE	Branford	386-935-2632
Suwannee	St. Francis Xavier Catholic	928 Howard St. East	Live Oak	386-364-1108
Suwannee	St. Luke's Episcopal Church	1391 11th St. SW	Live Oak	386-362-1837
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Volusia County

Salvation Army – Daytona Beach Corps

Address	1555 LPGA Blvd, Daytona Beach, FL 32117
Phone	Phone: 386-236-2020
Website	https://daytonabeach.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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Services Offered at This Location:

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Youth Services

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The Salvation Army Helps Children Thrive Through:

- **CHARACTER-BUILDING PROGRAMS:** With more than 400 after-school programs nationwide, we foster an environment of learning long after the school day ends. By providing a safe place to study, read, learn, connect with friends, play sports, and enrich the mind, we give at-risk kids a healthy alternative to less-desirable after-school options.
  - **SUMMER CAMP FOR KIDS:** Many children from low-income families rarely experience life outside their immediate neighborhood. That’s why The Salvation Army’s annual summer camp programs are so important. Every year, thousands of kids get a fresh perspective on life as they meet new friends, discover new activities, and get a taste of the great outdoors. As campers learn to swim, play sports, create music, make art, and scout, their trained counselors help them navigate the complicated emotions and struggles often associated with their lives back home.

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Salvation Army – West Volusia Corps

Address	1240 S High St, DeLand, FL 32720
Phone	Phone: 386-738-2406
Website	https://westvolusia.salvationarmyflorida.org/

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- **Pathway of Hope**
  - Pathway of Hope expands the scope of social service casework through a plan of increasingly enhanced services that enable clients to grow from emergency service recipients to healthy, interdependent members of their communities. Pathway is grounded in a strengths based case management model and an increased network of resources through community collaboration. Participants in the Pathway initiative commit to an extensive program of personal development that, guided closely by social service caseworkers, is intended to stabilize their present and sustain their futures.
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Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

Website	https://feedhopenow.org/
Email	info@feedhopenow.org, rthomas@feedhopenow.org
Counties served	Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Volusia

About Us

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida is a partner food bank of Feeding America – the largest charitable domestic hunger-relief organization in the United States. Second Harvest secures and distributes food and grocery products to more than 870 local nonprofit feeding programs in seven Central Florida counties: Brevard, Lake, Marion, Orange, Osceola, Seminole and Volusia. With the help of food and financial donors, volunteers and a caring, committed community, the food bank distributes 300,000 meals every day to partner programs such as food pantries, soup kitchens, women's shelters, senior centers, day care centers and Kids Cafes. In addition to helping feed the line of our neighbors who need help, Second Harvest also transforms dozens of lives directly every year. Economically-challenged adults who graduate from our 16-week culinary training program are placed in 'better than minimum wage' jobs that set them and their families on a path to self-sustainability. **Where does the Food Bank get its food?** Food comes to us from farmers, grocery stores, retailers, distributors, wholesale, and other food industry sources. In addition, kind-hearted members of our community hold food drives that bring in tons of food. Click here to learn about how food gets to our facility. **How is the food distributed?** We partner up with more

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Food Assistance

How do I get food? If you need immediate assistance, please call us at 407-295-5009. You can also fill out our food assistance form and we will get back to you with a list of feeding programs near you. If you need assistance during the weekends, please call United Way's 2-1-1. 211 provides free and confidential information and can also help with food, housing, employment, health care, counseling and more.

Food Locator: https://feedhopenow.org/find-help/food-finder/

Please call before visiting to make sure that their hours & location has not changed. Por favor asegúrese de llamar antes de visitar para asegurarse que las horas o ubicación no hayan cambiado. **How can I apply for SNAP?** You can apply online for SNAP benefits here. Second Harvest's Benefit Connection team can also help out with SNAP application assistance. Click here to view where our Benefits Connection team will be located in Orange and Brevard County.

Second Harvest Facilities

Main Facility

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 411 Mercy Drive Orlando, FL 32805 Phone: 407-295-1066 Fax: 407-295-5299 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Mercy Kitchen

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3702 Mercy Star Ct. Building 3 Suite 130 Orlando, FL 32808 Phone: 407-514-1002 Email: info@feedhopenow.org

Volusia Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 320 North Street Daytona Beach, FL 32114 Phone: 386-257-4499 Fax: 386-257-4134 Contact: Robert Thomas, Volusia Operations Manager Phone: 386-257-4499 Email: rthomas@feedhopenow.org

Brevard Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 3125 Skyway Circle Melbourne, FL 32934 Phone: 321-733-1600 Contact: Jorge Ortiz, Brevard Operations Manager Phone: 321-733-1600 Email: jortiz@feedhopenow.org

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Marion Branch

Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida 4045 NE 36th Ave. Ocala, FL 34478 **Mailing Address:** Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida Marion Branch PO Box 699 Ocala, FL 34478 Phone: 352-732-5500 Fax: 352-732-4197 Contact: Peter Del Toro Email: PDelToro@feedhopenow.org

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Society of St. Vincent de Paul Orlando (Volusia County Conferences)

Address	386-279-6307, 1310 Maximilian St, Deltona, FL 32725
Phone	Helpline 407.889.4706 386-279-6307
Website	https://svdporlando.org/need-help%3F

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At a Glance

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul was established in Central Florida in 1986 and follows a 184-year tradition of charity work based upon the teachings of Jesus Christ. We are a Catholic Lay Organization of more than 690,000 men and women throughout the world who volunteer to provide person-to-person services to the needy and suffering. Membership in the united States totals approximately 146,000 volunteers within 4,600 U.S. communities.

At St. Vincent de Paul Orlando, our group includes 24 Conferences across nine Central Florida Counties of the Orlando Catholic Diocese. These Conferences represent some 1,932 volunteer members. We proudly exist to help people by providing compassionate and spiritual support services such as:

- Home Visits
- Person-to-person support
- Food
- Medicine
- Job training/locating employment
- Transportation to meet fundamental needs/employment
- Financial assistance for housing and utilities
- Care for the elderly, infirm, and disabled
- Disaster relief
- Emergency financial services
- St. Peter Claver Prison Ministry
- Vincentian Re-Entry Organizing Project
- Access to our four Thrift Stores to obtain basic items of clothing, household goods, and furniture for individuals and families in need

All services are provided with faith-filled principles and care. Our services are provided in the following counties: Orange, Seminole, Brevard, Polk, Lake, Osceola, Volusia, Marion, and Sumter.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

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Many households are just one missed paycheck from being homeless, or one unexpected emergency from being forced to choose between food and shelter. We are here to help those in need. Below is a list of St. Vincent de Paul Conferences that may be able to help.

Our Volusia County St Vincent de Paul conferences are:

OUR LADY OF THE LAKES - DELTONA

ST. BERNADETTE - ORMOND BEACH

386-265-1963

1648 Oceanshore Boulevard, Ormond Beach, FL 32176

ST. GERARD - EDGEWATER

386-426-0882

3171 S Ridgewood Ave, Edgewater, FL 32141

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Wakulla County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Tallahassee Office

Address	1380 Blountstown Hwy., Tallahassee, FL 32304
Phone	Phone: 850-222-2180
Counties served	Franklin, Gadsden, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

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Feeding Florida - Second Harvest of the Big Bend

Website	https://fightinghunger.org/
Email	melissa@fightinghunger.org
Counties served	Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Hamilton, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, Wakulla

Second Harvest is a nonprofit food bank that collects and distributes food to hunger-relief charities, and also through specialized programs and mobile food distributions undertaken with community partners. We are dedicated to reducing hunger and malnutrition, and we function as the warehouse for millions of pounds of food and other essential products that go out to the community. We are a member of Feeding America, the nation's largest domestic food relief organization, and one of three Feeding America food banks in Florida designated for disaster/crisis response.

Our Feeding America service area is 9,000 square miles and includes 11 counties: Calhoun, Franklin, Gadsden, Gulf, Jackson, Jefferson, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Taylor, and Wakulla.

Additionally, under contract with other north Florida food banks, we serve five more counties: Columbia, Dixie, Hamilton, Lafayette, and Suwanee.

The food bank operates from a 41,000-square-foot facility located in Tallahassee, FL. The facility includes seven shipping docks, 12,000 square feet of freezer and cooler space, and a fleet of 13 vehicles including box trucks, tractors, trailers, two Sprinter vans

OUR PROGRAMS

- **Food Bank Operations**
  - Second Harvest of the Big Bend is a member of the Feeding America network, which is the nation's largest domestic hunger relief organization, comprising 200 food banks throughout the country.
  - Food collected by Second Harvest food bank is distributed through our network of 135 partner agencies, including other nonprofit charities and faith-based organizations. These range from soup kitchens that serve daily, to food pantries that distribute food weekly, and to residential programs for the homeless.
  - Our partner agencies are located throughout our 11-county Big Bend service area, including Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Franklin, Gulf, Jefferson, Jackson, Liberty, Taylor, Madison and Wakulla Counties. We deliver to each county at least twice monthly, and partner agencies also can pick up food at our warehouse.
- **Senior Grocery Program – Seniors Only**
  - Through the Senior Grocery Program we help feed low-income seniors in our community at the end of the month when their financial resources have been exhausted. Currently, the program provides food to more than 1,200 seniors each month, including cereal, canned fruits and vegetables, proteins and grains, fresh bread and produce.
  - Seniors are served at participating Second Harvest Partner Agencies in Gulf, Hamilton, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, and Taylor counties.
  - All seniors 60 or older qualify for our Senior Grocery Program. Eligible seniors can enroll at one of the 14 participating distribution sites listed below.
    - Innovative Charities
    - Jackson County

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- Elder Care Services
- Jackson County
- Jefferson County Senior Center
- Jefferson County
- Flipper Chapel AME Church
- Leon County
- Georgia Bell Dickenson
- Leon County
- Liberty County Senior Center
- Liberty County
- Faith Baptist Church
- Madison County
- Good News Outreach
- Leon County
- Big Bend Cares-CarePoint Leon County
- Frenchtown Neighborhood Improvement
- Leon County
- Fellowship Baptist Church
- Taylor County
- Pioneer Bay
- Gulf County
- Lee Community Complex
- Hamilton County
- IFAS Community Center
- Lafayette County

For more information about our Senior Grocery Program, contact:

Melissa Hill, Programs Coordinator

melissa@fightinghunger.org

850-562-3033 (ext. 212)

- **Child Nutrition Programs**

Backpack Program

- Our Backpack Program provides children with a bag of food each Friday to ensure their nutritional needs are met over the weekend. Each food bag includes six components: milk, protein, ready-to-eat, fruit, vegetable and grain, and fits into a child's backpack.
  - The program provides 4,500 bags of food every week to children in Leon, Gadsden, Calhoun, Liberty, Jackson, Jefferson, Madison, Taylor and Wakulla counties, serving children who rely on school breakfasts and lunches for their meals.
  - For the 2020/2021 school year, we distributed 125,000 backpacks, or 750,000 meals, through our backpack program.

Kid's Cafe Program

- The Kid's Cafe Program helps feed Leon County children after school at community centers and churches during the school months of August through June. This program

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helps bridge the gap for children who receive most of their meals from school and may not have a nutritious dinner when they go home.
    - During the 2020/2021 school year, we have seven parks and recreation center distribution sites.
    - Additionally, our **“Food on the Move Afterschool” program** delivers free food for kids in Leon County at designated underserved neighborhoods throughout the school year.

Summer BreakSpot Program

- The Summer BreakSpot Program provides kids a free, nutritious meal and snack at sponsored sites during the summer months, ensuring children have a stable source of food for their nourishment and growth when school is out.
    - Our 2022 Summer Feeding Program includes eight Summer BreakSpot locations in Leon and Madison counties, providing free breakfast, lunch and/or supper to kids 18 and under.
    - Find a Summer Feeding site near you anywhere in the State of Florida: https://www.fna.usda.gov/sfsp
    - If you are interested in becoming a Summer Food Service Program site, please complete the online registration: https://forms.office.com/r/t5rPhsrrtr

Food on the Move

- The Food on the Move program helps bridge the gap during summer months for kids who rely on school for most of their meals. Second Harvest’s “Food on the Move” van is delivering free food to kids 18 and under at nine Tallahassee locations, Monday-Friday, June 6-July 29.

School Pantry Program

- The School Pantry Program provides a large bag or box of food to accommodate a family for a few days. Currently this program operates at the following Leon County schools, and FSU:
    - Rickards High School
        - Amos P. Godby High School
        - Augusta Raa Middle School
        - Pineview Elementary School
        - W.T. Moore Elementary School
        - Oak Ridge Elementary School
        - Chaires Elementary School
        - Fairview Middle School
        - Nims Middle School
        - FSU Food for Thought pantry
- **Disaster Relief**
    - Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank serves as one of Feeding America’s three emergency food distribution hubs in Florida. As such, we contribute to the statewide coordination of emergency food and water in response to disasters.
    - As part of the Big Bend COAD (Community Organizations Active in Disasters) which includes the Red Cross, Salvation Army, the Emergency Operations Center, Volunteer Leon, Big Bend 211 and others, Second Harvest provides food, water and other

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necessities both before and after a crisis or disaster. Second Harvest also works in conjunction with Feeding Florida and its other 11- member food banks to cover disaster situations throughout the entire state of Florida.
    - In our 41,000-square-foot warehouse, we are able to stage supplies for our fellow COAD members to supplement their supply chains. In conjunction with Feeding Florida, Second Harvest also stores disaster relief product for the Florida Department of Emergency Management.
- **Mobile Pantry Program**
    - Mobile pantries are Second Harvest of the Big Bend food distributions funded by grants and donations and conducted jointly with one of our Agency Partners located throughout our 11-county service area, often in a church or nonprofit's parking lot, at an announced date and time.
    - Between 100 and 900 people will typically receive food distributions, including dry goods, fresh produce and frozen meat. All active partners in good standing are eligible to host a mobile pantry.
    - Benefits of Mobile Pantry
        - Besides offering flexibility of delivery, mobile pantries offer a quick and effective way to distribute food and maintain an atmosphere of dignity. A mobile pantry also serves some very specific needs:
        - Targets underserved areas, removing barriers to access and therefore expanding capacity, building community and creating access.
        - Takes food directly to clients in a timely manner allowing a farmer's market-style distribution encouraging greater interaction between volunteers and clients, encouraging everyone to share recipes, family traditions and life experiences.
        - Provides the opportunity for religious and charitable organizations to partner with local governments, businesses, and universities to manage the distribution. A one-time distribution can develop into a long-term partnership to provide necessary services for the needy in the community.

Here's what you can expect when you visit one of our partner pantries:

- You will see signage outside the pantry directing you to the right place
- You will be asked how many people live in your household so we can give you enough food
- You may need to present your ID to show you live within the county
- You may need to fill out a form to self-report your income and how many people live in your home (this only needs to be done once a year)
- You can always expect supportive staff to help get you support when you need it.

If you would like more information about Second Harvest of the Big Bend food bank and the services we provide, please use the contact information below.

Our Location: 4446 Entrepot Boulevard, Tallahassee, FL 32310.

Phone: 850-562-3033 Fax: 850-562-6176

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Walton County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Fort Walton Beach Office

Address	11 First St. SE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548
Phone	Phone: 850-244-2825
Counties served	Okaloosa, Walton

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Feeding Florida - Feeding the Gulf Coast

Website	https://www.feedingthegulfcoast.org/
Counties served	Bay, Escambia, Holmes, Okaloosa, Santa Rosa, Walton, Washington

Feeding the Gulf Coast assists families and individuals along the central Gulf Coast in many ways. More than 400 community partners are ready to provide groceries and meals to those struggling to afford food. In Florida, Feeding the Gulf Coast serves Escambia, Santa Rosa, Okaloosa, Walton, Holmes, Washington, and Bay Counties.

Child Nutrition Programs

- **The Backpack Program**

The Backpack Program, which began in 2004, meets the needs of chronically hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and breaks when school meals are unavailable. The Backpack Program is located at schools with a high incidence of children in need. Each backpack provides children with six meals and two snacks.

- **The School Pantry Program**

Similar to the Backpack Program, the School Pantry Program provides students with nutritious, nonperishable, and easily consumed food and other necessities. The program allows children dignity, privacy, and comfort in selecting food and other items that the student and their family need. Teachers, counselors, and school nurses identify students based on their level of need and as they demonstrate signs of hunger in the classroom. Students can visit the school pantry weekly to select nutritious, easy-to-prepare food and toiletries for personal use.

- **The Afterschool Meals Program**

The Afterschool Meals Program provides free meals and snacks to children through a variety of community locations—such as Boys and Girls Clubs, churches or public schools. This program is funded through the federal Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP). The children who attend these programs receive free meals that meet federal guidelines for nutrition.

- **The Summer Meals Program**

Similar to the Afterschool Meals Program, Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Summer Meals Program to ensure children in our region have access to free, nutritious meals during the summer when school is out for the summer along the central Gulf Coast. Sites in this program serve two meals daily (breakfast, lunch, or snacks) to children in their community. This program is funded through the federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Food Rescue Programs

- **Store Donation Program**

The Store Donation Program provides the food bank and its agencies with various fresh products, including produce, dairy, meat, and bread, by connecting the food bank with local retail grocery stores. Through the program, stores donate their wholesome but unsaleable food to the food bank. In some areas, Feeding the Gulf Coast trains and certifies select agencies to pick up food directly from these stores and distribute the donations to their clients through their feeding programs. Not only does this get food into the hands of those in

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need faster, but it also enables the food bank to use resources like trucks, employees, and monetary donations in other places. Feeding the Gulf Coast and select agencies pick up from approximately 250 stores each week, collecting nearly 1.25 million pounds of food every month.

Food Distribution Programs

- **Senior Boxes**

Nearly 5 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. After a lifetime of hard work, 63% of the households with older adults (50+) find themselves facing an impossible choice — to buy groceries or medical care. And as the baby-boom generation ages, the number of seniors facing hunger is only expected to increase.

Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP, Senior Boxes) in select Alabama and Florida counties. This program provides food to seniors in need by giving USDA-donated foods to eligible participants through a monthly food package. Seniors must be 60 years of age or older and have a household income at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Senior Boxes Improve Health

CSFP helps to combat the poor health conditions often found in food-insecure seniors. According to research*, food-insecure seniors (60+) are significantly more likely to intake lower amounts of essential vitamins, to be in poor or fair health, and to have physical limitations. Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk for:

- Increased disability
- Decreased resistance to infections
- Deteriorating mental health
- Lengthening of hospital stays
- Diabetes
- **Mobile Pantry Program**

The Mobile Pantry Program directly serves clients in areas of high need to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area. Through a mobile pantry, a truckload of food is distributed to clients in a single-day allowing us to provide a family with enough food for a week for just $10. Each mobile pantry distributes a variety of product include protein, canned or fresh produce, dairy, and grains.

Produce Drop

A produce drop distributes thousands of pounds of fresh produce to communities in need. Food deserts are areas with little access to fresh produce, or the price of fruits and vegetables is too much for families in need to afford. This single-day distribution helps eliminate the need for food to be stored at a local pantry and gets the product into the client's hands quicker.

Community Health & Nutrition

- **Nourishing Our Communities**

For people facing food insecurity, the challenge of adequate diet and nutrition, doctor visits, and medication is often unmanageable, creating a cycle of tough choices that results in otherwise manageable diseases becoming a health crisis. Feeding the Gulf Coast recognizes the parallel union proper nutrition has in combating the impacts of food insecurity on health.

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We believe no one should be without the food they need for a better life. As part of our work to address this, Feeding the Gulf Coast has established a Community Health and Nutrition department to ensure every community has access to a balanced, nutritious diet.

- **Healthcare Partnerships:** By working with healthcare providers to address food insecurity as a social determinant of health, these partnerships will expand and grow our current “Food as Medicine” initiatives seeking to improve health outcomes by increasing access to nutritious food and education.
- **Nutrition Education Classes:** These science-backed classes create an avenue of attainable steps that clients can use to inform their choices regarding diet and meal planning. Our nutrition specialists provide in-person nutrition education classes, indirect education activities, and other nutrition nudges to help families better understand the vital role nutrition plays in their health outcomes. **View online classes here.**
- **Mobile Market (Millie):**By bringing nutritious food directly to areas with limited grocery options, Millie the Mobile Market helps ensure more individuals and families can access the healthy food they need to thrive. **Find Millie here.**

Disaster Response

- **When Disaster Strikes**

The food bank swiftly shifts into disaster relief mode when a storm impacts our community while maintaining food assistance and support across the unaffected parts of our service area. Following the storm, we work with our food pantries and meal programs to begin response and recovery efforts. We continue providing relief long after other recovery efforts have ended. We coordinate efforts with local government officials, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and the American Red Cross to ensure unduplicated, efficient and timely relief.

PANHANDLE BRANCH

5709 Industrial Blvd

Milton, FL 32583

(850) 626-1332

Society of St. Vincent de Paul – Santa Rosa Beach (Walton County Conference)

Address	22 Saint Rita Lane, Santa Rosa Beach, FL 32459
Phone	Phone: (850) 267-2558
Website	https://www.saintritaparish.org/
Email	office@saintritaparish.org
Hours	Office Hours: Monday-Thursday, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Call Saint Rita Catholic Church for financial assistance and leave a message. Only serves Santa Rosa Beach, DeFuniak Springs, Freeport, and Destin. All in-home visits currently suspended.

Saint Rita Catholic Church Conference

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ABOUT US

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The Society of St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to the poor. This aid may take the form of intervention, advocacy, consultation or direct financial aid. A unique feature of the Society of SVDP is its commitment to “home visit” those who ask for our help. By visiting the poor in their homes, we offer a listening ear and friendship. This allows us to ascertain other family needs that a family may not have expressly sought.

St. Vincent can provide social services and emergency aid. This includes clothing and furniture, help with food, prevent homelessness by assisting with paying rent or utility bills, provide free or discounted transportation, and the charity can assist in many other ways. While funds are limited and can fluctuate throughout the year, they take on challenges of all types, and do what they can to help the people of Leon and nearby counties.

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Washington County

Catholic Charities of Northwest Florida – Panama City Office

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The Backpack Program, which began in 2004, meets the needs of chronically hungry children by providing them with nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends and breaks when school meals are unavailable. The Backpack Program is located at schools with a high incidence of children in need. Each backpack provides children with six meals and two snacks.

- **The School Pantry Program**

Similar to the Backpack Program, the School Pantry Program provides students with nutritious, nonperishable, and easily consumed food and other necessities. The program allows children dignity, privacy, and comfort in selecting food and other items that the student and their family need. Teachers, counselors, and school nurses identify students based on their level of need and as they demonstrate signs of hunger in the classroom. Students can visit the school pantry weekly to select nutritious, easy-to-prepare food and toiletries for personal use.

- **The Afterschool Meals Program**

The Afterschool Meals Program provides free meals and snacks to children through a variety of community locations—such as Boys and Girls Clubs, churches or public schools. This program is funded through the federal Child and Adult Care Feeding Program (CACFP). The children who attend these programs receive free meals that meet federal guidelines for nutrition.

- **The Summer Meals Program**

Similar to the Afterschool Meals Program, Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Summer Meals Program to ensure children in our region have access to free, nutritious meals during the summer when school is out for the summer along the central Gulf Coast. Sites in this program serve two meals daily (breakfast, lunch, or snacks) to children in their community. This program is funded through the federal Summer Food Service Program (SFSP).

Food Rescue Programs

- **Store Donation Program**

The Store Donation Program provides the food bank and its agencies with various fresh products, including produce, dairy, meat, and bread, by connecting the food bank with local retail grocery stores. Through the program, stores donate their wholesome but unsaleable food to the food bank. In some areas, Feeding the Gulf Coast trains and certifies select agencies to pick up food directly from these stores and distribute the donations to their clients through their feeding programs. Not only does this get food into the hands of those in

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need faster, but it also enables the food bank to use resources like trucks, employees, and monetary donations in other places. Feeding the Gulf Coast and select agencies pick up from approximately 250 stores each week, collecting nearly 1.25 million pounds of food every month.

Food Distribution Programs

- **Senior Boxes**

Nearly 5 million senior citizens currently face hunger in our country. After a lifetime of hard work, 63% of the households with older adults (50+) find themselves facing an impossible choice — to buy groceries or medical care. And as the baby-boom generation ages, the number of seniors facing hunger is only expected to increase.

Feeding the Gulf Coast operates the Commodity Supplemental Food Program (CSFP, Senior Boxes) in select Alabama and Florida counties. This program provides food to seniors in need by giving USDA-donated foods to eligible participants through a monthly food package. Seniors must be 60 years of age or older and have a household income at or below 130% of the Federal Poverty Level.

Senior Boxes Improve Health

CSFP helps to combat the poor health conditions often found in food-insecure seniors. According to research*, food-insecure seniors (60+) are significantly more likely to intake lower amounts of essential vitamins, to be in poor or fair health, and to have physical limitations. Without proper nutrients, seniors are at risk for:

- Increased disability
- Decreased resistance to infections
- Deteriorating mental health
- Lengthening of hospital stays
- Diabetes
- **Mobile Pantry Program**

The Mobile Pantry Program directly serves clients in areas of high need to supplement other hunger-relief agencies in that area. Through a mobile pantry, a truckload of food is distributed to clients in a single-day allowing us to provide a family with enough food for a week for just $10. Each mobile pantry distributes a variety of product include protein, canned or fresh produce, dairy, and grains.

Produce Drop

A produce drop distributes thousands of pounds of fresh produce to communities in need. Food deserts are areas with little access to fresh produce, or the price of fruits and vegetables is too much for families in need to afford. This single-day distribution helps eliminate the need for food to be stored at a local pantry and gets the product into the client's hands quicker.

Community Health & Nutrition

- **Nourishing Our Communities**

For people facing food insecurity, the challenge of adequate diet and nutrition, doctor visits, and medication is often unmanageable, creating a cycle of tough choices that results in otherwise manageable diseases becoming a health crisis. Feeding the Gulf Coast recognizes the parallel union proper nutrition has in combating the impacts of food insecurity on health.

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We believe no one should be without the food they need for a better life. As part of our work to address this, Feeding the Gulf Coast has established a Community Health and Nutrition department to ensure every community has access to a balanced, nutritious diet.

- **Healthcare Partnerships:** By working with healthcare providers to address food insecurity as a social determinant of health, these partnerships will expand and grow our current “Food as Medicine” initiatives seeking to improve health outcomes by increasing access to nutritious food and education.
- **Nutrition Education Classes:** These science-backed classes create an avenue of attainable steps that clients can use to inform their choices regarding diet and meal planning. Our nutrition specialists provide in-person nutrition education classes, indirect education activities, and other nutrition nudges to help families better understand the vital role nutrition plays in their health outcomes. **View online classes here.**
- **Mobile Market (Millie):**By bringing nutritious food directly to areas with limited grocery options, Millie the Mobile Market helps ensure more individuals and families can access the healthy food they need to thrive. **Find Millie here.**

Disaster Response

- **When Disaster Strikes**

The food bank swiftly shifts into disaster relief mode when a storm impacts our community while maintaining food assistance and support across the unaffected parts of our service area. Following the storm, we work with our food pantries and meal programs to begin response and recovery efforts. We continue providing relief long after other recovery efforts have ended. We coordinate efforts with local government officials, Voluntary Organizations Active in Disaster and the American Red Cross to ensure unduplicated, efficient and timely relief.

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