



Food Brings Hope

Annual Report 2016-2017



ANNIVERSARY



Mission

Nurturing the Body, Mind and Spirit of underprivileged children in our community.

Vision

Creating a community where underprivileged school children discover their full potential.

MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR



Forough B. Hosseini
Founder and Chair

Food Brings Hope has accomplished much in the past decade. Starting at Hinson Middle School in 2007 with 27 students, now we offer KidsZone and TeenZone at 22 schools serving over 1,300 students.

In 2017, we started a campaign at FBH to become the facilitator to end child and youth hunger and homelessness in Volusia County. We titled the campaign #VCan2020: Volusia county Can be hunger and homeless free, among children and youth, by 2020! I believe this is the perfect time to begin this campaign because of a few successful initiatives in our community. Hope Place will be able to take care of homeless families and has the capacity to house 32 unaccompanied youth. The Neighborhood Center in DeLand is expanding their capacity for the homeless on the west side of Volusia County. Daytona State College instituted a 10-step plan to eradicate hunger and homelessness among all its students.

At Food Brings Hope, we believe we can build on these initiatives, and together with the other organizations in our community who serve our homeless children and youth, be able to serve every child and youth (under the age of 26), who seek help about needing a place to stay or are in need of food.

Our hearts are set on knowing that one day every child in our community is fed and has a safe place to sleep.

Won't you help us make Volusia County become the first county in our beautiful country to be HomelessLess?

Please join us in **#VCan2020**. Thank you.

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QUOTES of HOPE



My dreams have always been big, but Food Brings Hope helps me realize every dream is possible.

Johnny F., FBHonor
Mainland High

If you need help, Food Brings Hope not only helps you, but helps your family too.

Joshua G., TeenZone
Campbell Middle



Not all homeless teens are bad people. They're just people in bad circumstances. I believe everybody deserves a chance and Hope House gives me that chance.

Jared J., Resident of
Hope House



FBH Program Descriptions

KidsZone & TeenZone

KidsZone and TeenZone programs were created with the purpose of identifying homeless and underprivileged school-aged children, provide them with opportunities to discover their full potential and become productive members of our society. KidsZone targets children in grades K-5 while TeenZone includes students in grades 6-12. Components of the program include afterschool tutoring, career and cultural focused field trips, mentoring, financial management classes, student incentives and awards plus a myriad of other activities based on the individual needs of the school and the students they serve.

Farshad Babazadeh Honors Program

The Farshad Babazadeh Honors (FBHonors) program was developed during the 2011-2012 school year to meet the needs of high achieving students who are homeless or from low socioeconomic families. Targeted students are provided rigorous academic and personal enrichment opportunities engaging them in creative and analytical thinking. Embry Riddle Aeronautical University partners with FBHonors to provide experiments in various areas of STEM, which extends the students' experience beyond the normal school curriculum. FBHonors begins in 4th grade at select schools and continues through high school. All FBHonor graduates are promised a scholarship to continue their education at any college or university.

Barbara Bush Foundation for Family Literacy - Pierson Family Literacy Program

In 2016-2017, Food Brings Hope was again the recipient of the BBFL grant and was able to increase the literacy impact made on the families of Pierson. The program, which is held three days each week, includes and integrates adult literacy instruction, early literacy instruction for children and family time which includes food, activities and time to socialize. A partnership with Daytona State College was developed and the educational component strengthened with the addition of certified ESOL instructors. Graduates of the program are able to advance to DSC's GED program offered at Taylor Middle High.

Eric Christopher DeVriese, Jr. HOPE House

Established in December 2012, HOPE House is a place to call home for unaccompanied youth, girls and boys, in Volusia County. Our mission of Helping Others Prosper through Education (HOPE) has provided residents an opportunity to concentrate on studying rather than worrying about where they are going to get their next meal or sleep. Although education is the priority, residents must also be committed to having a job, helping with chores and giving back to their community.

Weekend Feed a Family Program

Food insecurity in youth is one of the most pressing problems in our society today. Through a partnership with Halifax Urban Ministries, Food Brings Hope works to eradicate hunger among all school-aged children in our community. Food bags, each containing 40-45 lbs. of food, are distributed weekly to hundreds of identified families in our program. The food is enough to feed a family for an entire weekend and removes the stress of not knowing where their next meal is coming from when school is not in session.



	<u>2007</u>	<u>2017</u>
Schools	1	22
Students	27	1,366

KIDSZONE

TEENZONE





50
Students

FBHonors

Farshad Babazadeh Honors Program



4
Schools

316% Increase in Students Enrolled in FBHonors from 2012-2017

Westside FBHonors

24

Students per Year

Campbell FBHonors

92%

Scored Above Grade Level on
English Language Arts Florida
Standards Assessment

Mainland FBHonors

Student GPA
Ranged from

3.5 - 4.0

Westside FBHonors - A Success Story



Jakyra McCloud was in 4th grade at Westside Elementary in 2012 and one of the original members of FBHonors. Jakyra never wavered in her commitment to the FBHonors program and her educational success as she continued to participate in the program at Campbell MS and into 9th grade at Mainland HS this past year. Her focus and effort paid off when she was invited to attend a Medical Conference in Boston during the summer. Unfortunately, she did not have the funds to make the trip until Food Brings Hope offered to sponsor her. Jakyra said, "It was life-changing. I cried when I was told FBH would pay for this once-in-a-lifetime experience." Her dream of becoming a cardiothoracic surgeon grew stronger as she watched a live surgery and heard medical professionals, with similar childhood backgrounds as hers, tell their stories and how they reached their goals. Jakyra stated, "I am so glad I was able to attend this conference thanks to Food Brings Hope. My heart has been set on the right path for my dream to come true."

Westside FBHonors

144

Students since FBHonors
started in 2012

Campbell FBHonors

100%

Scored Above Grade Level
in Math Florida Standards
Assessment

Starke FBHonors

STEM Based

Focused on Careers
Scientists & Engineers



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Pierson Family Literacy Program

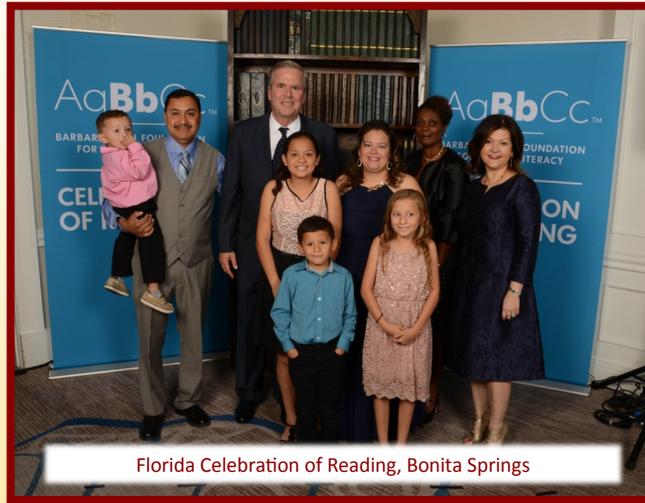


53 Total Participants

Partnership
with Daytona
State College

Established
GED
Program

10
Hours Per Week



Renteria Family
highlighted at annual
Celebration of Reading
Event

76%
Success Rate

Computer Lab
1 Day Per
Week

30
Weeks

ERIC CHRISTOPHER DEVRIESE, Jr.

HOPE House

Helping Others Prosper through Education

Opened Doors December 2012 / First Residents February 2013

Opened for Boys Christmas 2014

83% of Residents Graduated from High School

100% of Graduates Enrolled in some form of Higher Education



WEEKEND FEED-A-FAMILY PROGRAM



Over 850
Food Bags Distributed
Each Month

40-45 LBS
of Food Weekly per Family



Stellar Foundation
donated freezers to
12
Schools



Over 450,000
pounds of Food distributed in 2017
in Partnership with HUM

TIMELINE

January 2007

- ◆ TeenZone Pilot program started at Hinson Middle
- ◆ 27 students

2007-2008

- ◆ Expanded to 2 Schools
- ◆ 102 students
- ◆ Added Osceola Elementary

2008-2009

- ◆ Expanded to 5 Schools
- ◆ 245 students
- ◆ Added Westside Elementary, Campbell and New Smyrna Beach Middle

2009-2010

- ◆ Expanded to 6 Schools
- ◆ 395 students
- ◆ Added Turie T. Small Elementary School

2010-2011

- ◆ Expanded to 7 schools
- ◆ 420 students
- ◆ New Smyrna Beach High became first High School to hold a Teen-Zone Club
- ◆ Program continued to expand offering more opportunities

2011-2012

- ◆ Expanded to 9 schools
- ◆ 450 students
- ◆ Added two High Schools
- ◆ FBHonors Pilot program started at Westside
- ◆ Weekend Feed-A-Family started with 50 families

2012-2013

- ◆ Expanded to 10 Schools
- ◆ 500 students
- ◆ 5 elementary and 5 Middle and High Schools
- ◆ Expanded FBHonors to Campbell Middle
- ◆ Expanded Weekend Feed-A-Family to over 100 families

2013-2014

- ◆ Expanded to 11 schools
- ◆ 550 students
- ◆ Added Mainland High School
- ◆ Expanded FBHonors to serve two middle schools and continued at Westside
- ◆ Weekend-Feed-A-Family expanded to serve close to 200 families

2014-2015

- ◆ Expanded to 13 Schools
- ◆ 695 students
- ◆ Added Southwestern Middle and Champion Elementary
- ◆ Expanded FBHonors to students from 3 middle schools plus Westside
- ◆ Over 6,000 weekend Feed-A-Family bags distributed

2015-2016

- ◆ Expanded to 16 Schools
- ◆ 878 students
- ◆ Added McInnis Elementary, Ormond Beach Middle and Atlantic High
- ◆ 33 FBHonors student participants in two Elementary and one Middle School
- ◆ Over 8,000 weekend Feed-A-Family bags distributed

2016-2017

- ◆ Expanded to 21 Schools
- ◆ 1,366 students
- ◆ Added NSB and Seabreeze High, Enterprise and Long-street Elementary
- ◆ Expanded to Flagler County, Matanzas High School
- ◆ 50 FBHonors student participants in two Elementary, one Middle School and one High School
- ◆ Over 8,500 weekend Feed-A-Family bags distributed

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

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Numerous individuals, groups and businesses have come forth to help us accomplish the Food Brings Hope's Mission.
We would like to recognize and thank them for their unwavering support of our mission.

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LOOKING AHEAD ...



Volusia County CAN wipe out youth hunger and homelessness by **2020**.

Most people are stunned to learn that there are 2,032 children in our public schools who live with the fear and uncertainty of hunger and homelessness. These children arrive at school hungry. And when it is time to go home, they just go....somewhere. Most people agree this is unacceptable. Yet most people don't know what to do, or how to help.

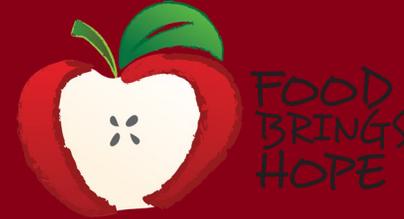
But some people have come together with a vision, a plan, a mission. Together – and with your help – youth hunger and homelessness can be eliminated in **Volusia County by 2020**.

Think #VCAN2020

No child should go to school hungry. Every child should be able to “go home” after school. Your generous donation will help make that happen.

And 100% of your donation will go directly to help feed and shelter these children: No administrative costs. **Zero**.

Give generously. Because with your help, Volusia County can eliminate youth hunger and homelessness by 2020. And that's not a minute too soon.



*We are not aiming
to change the world ...
just our own community!*

Join Us!

#VCan2020

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