



FOOD
BRINGS
HOPE



Annual Report 2017-2018



Forough B. Hosseini
Founder and Chair



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

The 2017-2018 school year was a milestone for FBH as we celebrated our 10th anniversary. We started with a pilot program at Hinson Middle in 2007 with 27 students and expanded throughout the past decade to serve 24 schools enrolling over 1,500 students. Our ultimate goal is to be able to reach out to all the schools in Volusia and Flagler counties with high numbers of homeless or economically disadvantaged students.

The afterschool programs KidsZone, TeenZone, and FBHonors tailored for the highest achieving students, involved tutoring and due to FBH's focus on academics, our students, on average, do better than the general school population. FBHonors students concentrate on STEM activities and spend even more time on academics getting them ahead and making sure they are challenged academically. The tutoring sessions, combined with field trips and other learning opportunities, adding weekly food bags to remove the stress of food insecurity, allows the FBH students to compete with their peers on a level field.

Over the past year, we have worked diligently to finalize the VCan2020 initiative so we can launch formally in January of 2019. We are excited that Ms. Mary Cortez will be heading the VCan2020 initiative. Mary was the sponsor of TeenZone when we launched the program in 2007! Just this past month, FBH hired Mary to become the Director of VCan2020. We are very much looking forward to working with Mary and love how this has come a full circle!

HOPE House has provided the needed shelter for homeless high school students. The current house manager, Sabrina Blue, was a resident of Hope House. She lived at the house until she graduated from Mainland in 2017 and enrolled at DSC. She moved out of Hope House and rented an apartment. When the Hope House manager decided to move to another job, she stepped up to become the house manager. Sabrina has been hired to start working for FBH starting in January. Talk about another full circle!

We expanded our board by two dynamic members; Mr. Ed Noseworthy, CEO of Florida Hospital and Mr. Samir Naran, COO of Premier Resorts & Management. Both Ed and Samir have brought new ideas and bright energy to the FBH's board. We are deeply excited to work with them.

Food Brings Hope and VCan2020 are structured to fill the gaps. So many great organizations are doing incredible work in our community. We are indebted to every one of them for doing so much for our homeless children and poverty stricken families. FBH looks for gaps that other organizations' initiatives and services don't cover. We are indebted to great organizations which help FBH achieve our mission. We are grateful to Halifax Urban Ministries for helping us with food bags so our neediest students don't go hungry. Because HUM pays for half of the cost of the bags delivered to FBH schools, we are able to serve twice as many families! Other amazing organizations, companies and supporters provide school supplies

FBH BOARD and STAFF



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QUOTES of HOPE

I feel honored to be a part of FBH. Many of my accomplishments and becoming a member of the National Junior Honor Society have come from the push and support FBH has given me.

Edward Butts, TeenZone
Campbell Middle



FBH has given me many opportunities to reach my full potential. Without FBH and FBHonor ... I don't know where I would be.

Jaykira McCloud, FBHonor
Mainland H.S.

KIDSZONE

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KZTZ

Includes students
in grades K-5

81% of **FBH** students have less than
15 absences per year ... including excused absences.

2007 Schools **1**
2007 Students **27**

Volusia County - 22 Schools



ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

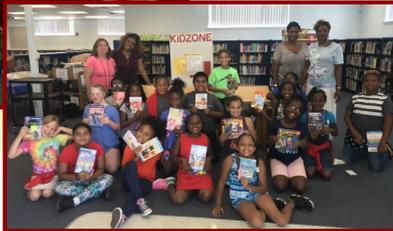
Starke Elementary



Westside Elementary



Turie T Small
Summer Reading Program



Pierson Elementary



FIELD TRIPS

McInnis Elementary - Deleon Springs



Pierson students ride the Sunrail



Turie T Small - Robotics Expo

KidsZone and TeenZone programs were created with the purpose of identifying homeless and underprivileged school-aged children, providing them with opportunities to discover their potential.

2017-18 Schools 24

2017-18 Students 1,369

Flagler County - 2 Schools

FBH programs are hosted in schools with the most number of homeless students.

Includes students in grades 6-12

Nurturing the Spirit

DSC Cosmetology



Campbell Middle
Women in Engineering Day



CAREER BUILDING

Plantation Bay - Many Hands of New Home Construction



Ormond Beach Middle prepares Christmas bags and provides plants to a school neighbor



Atlantic High visits Veterans Home



Components of both TZ & KZ programs 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.



83
Students

FBHonors

Farshad Babazadeh Honors Program



5
Schools

592% Increase in Students Enrolled in FBHonors from 2012-2018

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 guaranteed a scholarship to continue their education.

Food Brings Hope and FBHonors have done so much for me. It has allowed me to pursue my dreams of owning a restaurant by offering me a scholarship.

Sydney White, Mainland High



Nurturing the Mind



FBH Celebrates FBHonors Students



Starke Elem FBHonors Academic Celebration

FBHonors

Farshad Babazadeh Honors Program

All FBHonors programs outperformed their school's achievement level on the Florida State Assessment in English Language Arts.

- ◆ **4** out of **5** FBHonors schools outperformed their school average in ELA Learning Gains.
- ◆ **100%** of Campbell Middle School and Mainland High School students received a Learning Gain on the English Language Arts Florida State Assessment.
- ◆ **100%** of the FBHonors programs outperformed their school's Florida State Assessment Achievement Level in math.
- ◆ **100%** of the FBHonors schools outperformed their school average in Math Learning Gains on the Florida State Assessment.
- ◆ All FBHonors students at Campbell Middle School and Mainland High School earned an A or B in math for their final grade.



Excelling in Academics



Campbell Middle School
Academic Achievement



Starke FBHonors, Key Largo Marine Lab

Pierson Family Literacy Program

Every *Success* Story Starts With A *Dream*

Jamell Bueno Mejia's success story began about a year ago, when she joined her mother, Anabel Mejia in the Pierson Family Literacy Program. She diligently attended the program for three hours every Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday. Jamell first came to the ESL program with a goal of improving her English and her listening, speaking, and reading skills.

What sets Jamell apart from other students in the program, is her determination and strong sense of duty and obligation. FBH/DSC teachers describe her as an exemplary student who had perfect attendance every semester. They also noted her superior academic performance, her motivation, and enthusiasm to succeed.

Jamell quickly moved from Pierson's ESOL classes to the GED/Adult Education Classes offered at Taylor Middle-High School. Given the support she needed to feel confident enough to take the GED test, Jamell passed the first time she took it. Her hard work paid off! Since earning her GED, Jamell now wants to further her education. She continues to attend Pierson's ESOL classes to improve her English, and plans to enroll in DSC's Dental Assisting Program.

She cites Pierson Family Literacy Program as key to her success. Jamell is a testament to the successes and opportunities hard work, dedication and sacrifice can bring.



We're enrolled in the Family Literacy Program in Pierson. Our children are glad that we're learning English and are looking forward to a better future for our family.

Augustina/Juan Lopez, Family Literacy Program



Pierson Family Literacy Program

In 2017-2018, 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.

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FOR FAMILY LITERACY

4 Adults transitioned into DSC Taylor High School GED Program.

1 Successfully Completed GED Program

86% of the Students

successfully completed the Adult Program



89% of the Children

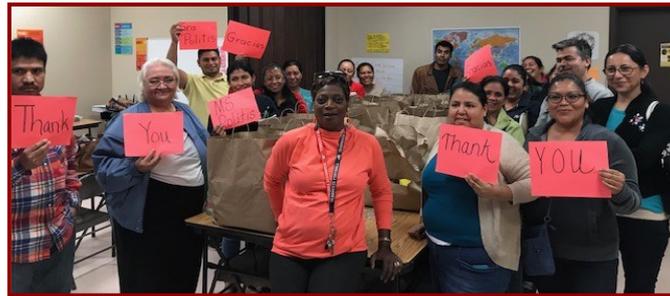
completed the KidsZone Program

59 Total Participants includes Parents & Students

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 opportunities to socialize.



24 out of **34** showed gains (**71%**) in at least one skill.



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

Helping Others Prosper through Education

Opened Doors December 2012 / First Residents February 2013

Opened for Boys Christmas 2014

88% of Residents Graduated from High School

75% of Graduates Enrolled in some form of Higher Education

88% currently Employed



FBH has made an important impact on my life. As a former Hope House resident it enabled me to move on with my aims and dreams for the future.

Sabrina Blue
Hope House Manager
Daytona State College

It's good to know that you have someone to help you overcome obstacles and deeply cares about you.

Donald Castellano
Resident of 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.

FEED-A-FAMILY PROGRAM



Nurturing the Body

Over 1,000

Food Bags Distributed
Each Month



40-45 LBS

Food Weekly per Family

4-6 LBS of frozen food



Stellar Foundation
donated freezers
to **15** Schools in
the past two years

Over 540,000

pounds of food distributed in 2017-18
in Partnership with HUM

CULTURALLY SENSITIVE PANTRY

Opened April 2018 for families and residents of Pierson



In conjunction with the efforts of Second Harvest, Food Brings Hope organizes and facilitates the Pierson Culturally Sensitive Pantry stocking it each week with foods specific to the culture of the community. Since its opening in the Spring of 2018, 35 families benefited from this outreach program.

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, FBH works to eradicate hunger among all school-aged children in our community. 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.

VCan2020

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**.

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

Join Us! VCan2020



V CAN 2020



COPPER BOTTOM

Fundraising event for VCan2020



Think **V CAN 2020**

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.

You **CAN** make a difference!



VISION: *Create a community where children and youth are empowered to reach their full potential*

MISSION: *Eradicate hunger and homelessness among children and youth in Volusia County by 2020*

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 Longstreet 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

2017-2018

- ◆ Expanded to 22 Volusia and 2 Flagler County Schools
- ◆ 1369 students
- ◆ Added Wadsworth and Bunnell Elementary schools in Flagler
- ◆ 83 FBHonors student participants in three Elementary, one Middle and one High School
- ◆ Over 350 Families were served through the Weekend Feed-A-Family Program

EXPRESSIONS OF GRATITUDE

Sponsors ♦ Contributors ♦ Partnerships

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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and other needed items for our students so they always have what they need for their school work. Every year Sodexo sponsors multiple events for FBH. They sponsored us when we only had a few students and they still sponsor us now that our events host 700-800 students. We are deeply indebted to them.

We thank FBH principals, sponsors, superintendents, bus drivers, coaches and other supporters for allowing us to work with this very special population making sure they are provided every opportunity to become the best person they can be and we are grateful to supporters in believing in FBH's work and helping us grow so much, enabling our team to serve the most vulnerable members of our community. We empower our children to be successful in life so they can contribute to their community as adults.