MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2022

FROM THE DESK OF OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear FBH Family,

Spring has arrived and renewed energy and enthusiasm is being shared throughout the FBH Community. We are excited to once again be partnering with ICI Homes in exposing our middle and high school students to various career opportunities in the home building industry. The Mosaic Tour of Homes is scheduled for Friday, April 29th. This year over 150 TeenZone students and sponsors have already registered to attend. Please contact Diane@foodbringshope.org if you can volunteer between 9:30am - 1:00pm for this valuable hands-on learning experience. Students will visit home sites and learn about career opportunities at each one. The culminating activity is a scavenger hunt in a model home, and the students are always in awe when they see the beautiful décor and hear about the job qualifications and responsibilities of the interior designer.

Florida Statewide Assessments have begun. Food Brings Hope offers much needed support, rewards, and incentives during this time. We know our KidsZone and TeenZone students can and will be successful on the state assessments. This is indeed a stressful time for not only our students, but also our teachers, administrators and FBH sponsors. Please offer words of encouragement, a note or even a card to any child you may know or lives in your neighborhood. As a retired principal, I have often witnessed the difference it makes in a student's attitude and willingness to try their best on a test after receiving positive reinforcement.

Good luck to our KidsZone, TeenZone, and FBHonors students. We believe in YOU! Finish the year STRONG!

My Best,

Judi

The American Land Title Association (ALTA) Good Deeds Foundation, a

HBH - RECIPIENT OF \$6000 ALTA GOOD DEEDS AWARD

registered 501(c)(3) charitable organization founded by ALTA, recently awarded \$6,000 to Homes Bring Hope. Shelley Stewart, president of Southern Title in Daytona Beach, nominated the nonprofit to receive the grant because of the organization's efforts to provide homeownership opportunities for hard-working families. Homes Bring Hope is one of 21 nonprofit organizations across the United States that received a grant this month from the ALTA Good Deeds Foundation. The Foundation announced the recipients of the 2022 spring grants during the ALTA SPRINGBOARD event in Tampa.

"We are honored to be the recipient of this grant from the ALTA Good Deeds Foundation," said Kathy Clark, Executive Director of Homes Bring Hope. "Our organization will use this grant to help 32114 residents realize the dream of homeownership."

Homes Bring Hope is grateful for the support of Shelley Stewart, President/CEO of Southern Title. Under her leadership, Southern Title has adopted a culture of caring that is helping the community.



EARL W. & PATRICIA B. COLVARD CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, INC. DONATES \$10,000 TO FBH

Food Brings Hope recently received a generous donation from the Earl W. and Patricia B. Colvard Charitable Foundation, Inc. Earl Colvard, owner of 39 Boulevard Tire locations in Florida and 2 in Georgia, presented FBH Executive Director, Judi Winch, with a \$10,000 check to Food Brings Hope. The Earl W. and Patricia B. Colvard Charitable Foundation has annually supported FBH's mission by partnering with FBH since 2017 to assist underprivileged children reach their full potential. 100% of the donation will support FBH's programs. "Their long-time commitment to the students and families in our community is greatly appreciated." – Judi Winch, Executive Director.





Golf Series! This Series presents a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to participate and compete with your handicap index on a live leaderboard alongside Patrick Cantlay. Qualifying is easy!

Food Brings Hope is excited to partner with the Joan L. Kidd, MD Fight for Life

Visit https://chipdin.com/pages/food-brings-hope and

register for the Spring Golf Series. Questions? Email Diane Smith at Diane@FoodBringsHope.org for more details.

Thank you for your support of Food Brings Hope!

Our sincerest thanks to the many volunteers who help our programs grow . Without your dedication and willingness to support our efforts,

we would not be as successful! FBH recognizes an outstanding volunteer and community partner each month. FEBRUARY VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH - FELICE FREEMAN FEBRUARY COMMUNITY PARTNER - KIDDS ARE FIRST

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS



such as the ERAU Basketball Games, Tour of Homes, End-of-Year celebration and many more. She shows up to fill bags, counts t-shirts and sweatshirts and distributes food bags during FBH's drive-through food distributions. Food Brings Hope is grateful to Felice for her willingness to share her time and talents. She is a treasure to our organization! Congratulations on your recognition, Felice! FBH appreciates you!

students of poverty who reportedly lost 12 months of growth over the past year.



Community Partner of the Month plaque to Rachel Arazahvili, Executive Director of Kidds Are First.

Mamie Oatis, FBH Operations

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Director,

Hope for the Holidays celebration. Natalie McCall, Founder, makes families in need of clothing a priority. Natalie, Rachel Arazashvili, Executive Director and their volunteer team ensure that children who need clothing receive several outfits and shoes when they visit the store. Students are able to choose their own clothing rather than having a bag of clothing pre-selected for them. This gives the children a sense of ownership. They experience shopping for clothes even though there is no cost to the family. Thank you Kidds Are First for your generous support!

Month. Kidds Are First has continually supported FBH at the annual Pierson

PROSPERITY formunity organization



poverty creating a community in which hard-working people can prosper, FBH has added a new initiative, FBH Prosperity (FBHP). Recent government reports identified there are over 829,000 children living in poverty in Florida's 983 zip codes. Florida Chamber Foundation research shows half of them live in just 150, or 15%, of Florida's zip codes. One of those zip codes is 32114. Focusing on the root causes of poverty, identified by the Florida Chamber

Foundation, FBHP seeks to end generational poverty by helping to identify individual hurdles blocking participant's path to prosperity and provide tailored solutions. The goal is to reduce poverty in the 32114-zip code community by 10% by 2030. To qualify for the Homes Bring Hope program, individuals must be referred by one of ten identified major FBH Community, Inc. partners or presently live in the 32114 zip code. All participants must be willing to purchase a home in the 32114-zip code, have not previously owned a home and an adult member is employed, or on

disability for a period of one to three years. Participants who are facing barriers in purchasing a home due to low credit score, credit repair, low income or other

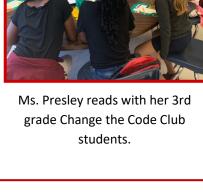
financial hardships work with FBHP staff to eliminate those obstacles. The FBHP seeks to foster economic growth for families by enhancing education, workforce development, employment, health and wellness and homeownership. Once those obstacles have been eliminated, participants move on to work with Homes Bring Hope and enter their final steps to homeownership. FBH TEAM VISITS CHANGE THE CODE SCHOOLS TO KICK OFF THE LAST QUARTER OF SCHOOL

students during instruction and provide additional incentive to motivate them to finish the school year strong.

The FBH Team visited the Change the Code Clubs at Palm Terrace Elementary and Turie T. Small Elementary this month. The purpose of the visits was to observe

The primary goal of Change the Code is to create an afterschool tutoring program for targeted students that fits the unique needs of an FBH Prosperity Initiative School. The second goal is to change the academic success of the students participating bringing CHANGE to the 32114 zip code: CHANGE THE CODE CLUB.

With the CHANGE THE CODE CLUB, THE FBH Community looks to make a measurable difference in the lives and educational success of these elementary school





GEORGE MARKS KIDSZONE MAKING STRIDES IN MATH AND READING



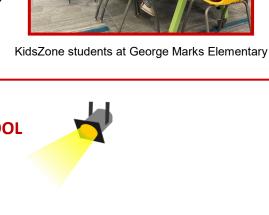
Diane Smith recently visited the George Marks KidsZone program. After enjoying a snack provided by VC School Way Café, the students separated into groups. During this visit, students were practicing math skills on i-Ready. They also



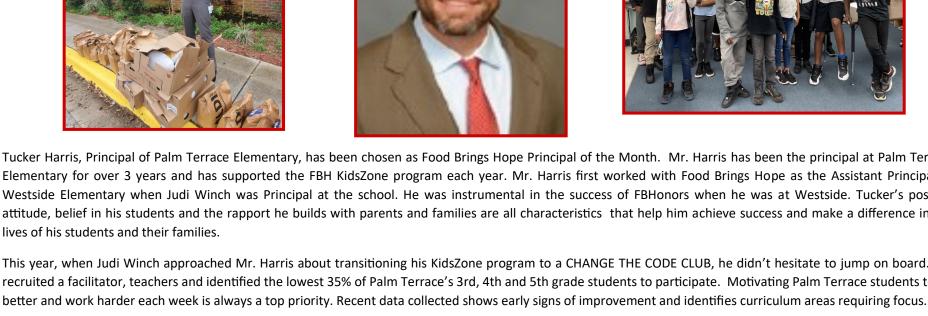
discussed the chapters read that day. One group was reading "Because of Winn Dixie", a favorite among that age group. After finishing the book, the students will have a book celebration and watch the movie. Lori Rosekelly reported that students have posted improved scores this year due to the extra time they have afterschool honing their math and

reading skills. Three students showed great growth on their i-Ready reading scores. One student increased from 419 to 515, another from 490 to 537, and the third from 545 to 591. Great job! PRINCIPAL HIGHLIGHT - PALM TERRACE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL **TUCKER HARRIS**

use i-Ready for reading practice. The students enjoy challenging themselves during this session. After i-Ready, students moved to book groups. These sessions were set up in a book club format. Students took turns reading and then









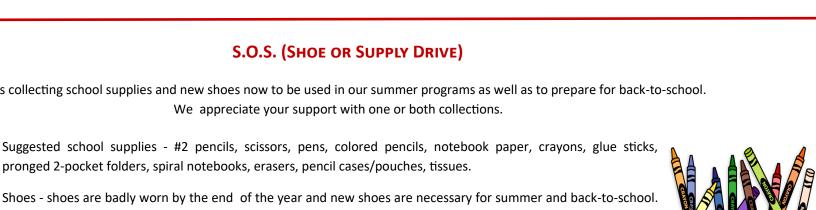
Congratulations, Mr. Harris, on your recognition. FBH appreciates your efforts on behalf of your students! WINN DIXIE'S BLOOMIN' FOR GOOD PROGRAM

This promotion is at the Winn Dixie located at 4024 South Nova Road, Port Orange. Please stop by during the month of April, treat yourself to a beautiful floral bouquet, and support Food Brings Hope!

Winn Dixie is sponsoring a fundraiser for Food Brings Hope during the month of April. The Bloomin' 4 Good program is an innovative program that works to fight hunger in local communities. In this program, for every \$12.99 Bloomin' 4 Good bouquet sold, Winn Dixie

donates \$1 to Food Brings Hope. These bouquets are easily identified by a bright red sticker.

S.O.S. (SHOE OR SUPPLY DRIVE) FBH is collecting school supplies and new shoes now to be used in our summer programs as well as to prepare for back-to-school. We appreciate your support with one or both collections.



pronged 2-pocket folders, spiral notebooks, erasers, pencil cases/pouches, tissues.

will be sent food delivery requests based on one's availability. Within this year, VCan has delivered over 120 food bags filled with non-perishable food items and frozen meat to family homes or hotels. No child should ever go hungry. Your support and involvement can prevent hunger across our county! To learn more and sign up as a volunteer, contact

Shoes - shoes are badly worn by the end $\,$ of the year and new shoes are necessary for summer and back-to-school. School shoes must be closed toe; however, we will accept sandals for summer play. All sizes are needed from age 5 to 18.







Look for the **red** sticker when you purchase a \$12.00 bouquet!

VCan food bags ready for delivery

school children discover their full potential.

Our Mission

Our Vision

VCan food delivery volunteer, Thom Mannebach

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