

# FOOD BRINGS HOPE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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#### FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Hello Team FBH,

Thank you for making the 2017-2018 school year another fantastic year for Food Brings Hope. We were able to greatly increase our programs in 22 Volusia County schools and expand into Flagler County. As always, FBHonors exceeded expectations and the number of schools rose to five with the addition of Turie T. Small this year. It was a proud moment for all when 71 FBHonors students were each presented a tablet or laptop at the Honors Banquet held in the Mori Hosseini Center at DSC.

Our End of the Year awards will be presented at our "Food Brings Hope Night at the Ballpark" on May 24<sup>th</sup>. Each school will select two students to receive a Citizenship award. These students have shown consistent respect to others and in turn are respected by their peers and the adults who work with them. We are proud to celebrate not only these selected children, but all of our children who strived to do their best this year.

Our goal is to continuously expand the Food Brings Hope program while concentrating on increasing the quality of our services and programs. But we also search for ways to aid *all* children and youth in need who are living in Volusia County. #VCan2020 is our recent initiative and is a movement of concerned Volusia County residents who are committed to wiping out hunger and homelessness among youth and children in Volusia County. You will be hearing more about it soon, and we welcome you to the movement!

Again, I want to thank you for your personal support and wish each of you a fun-filled, relaxing summer!

Regards,

Judi Winch

# Food Brings Hope Hosted a Food Booth at the Fourth Annual Nowruz Festival sponsored by the Iranian American Society of Daytona Beach

Vic Irland and Mark Herbert, long time FBH supporters, spent the beautiful, sunny day grilling ribs and chicken to benefit Food Brings Hope. Vic and Charlene Irland and Mark and Jeannie Herbert generously donated all the meats and the side dishes enabling FBH to benefit from



100% of the sales. FBH will use the proceeds toward their new initiative, #VCan2020 with the mission of eradicating hunger and homelessness among children and youth in Volusia County by 2020.

### Food Brings Hope Benefits from Lemonade Stand



For the fourth year in a row, Cami and Evelyn Kent, with the help of family and friends, set up their stand in Ormond Beach to sell lemonade and baked goods in order to raise money for Food Brings Hope. Each year the amount donated has grown significantly with this year's

efforts totaling \$1,308. The money raised by these young philanthropists will be used to help feed homeless and underprivileged children in Volusia County Schools. Please see the picture above from left to right of Evelyn Kent, Autumn Lower, Kate Johnson, and Cami Kent.

#### **END-OF-YEAR CELEBRATION**

Food Brings Hope "Night at the Ballpark" End of Year Celebration and awards at Jackie Robinson Field on May 24th was a huge success. Over 350 students and volunteers attended the event.



## Food Brings Hope Celebrates Farshad Babazadeh Honor Students

Seventy-one FBHonors students from Starke Elementary, Turie T. Small Elementary, Westside Elementary, Campbell Middle and Mainland came together at the Mori Hosseini Center at Daytona State College to enjoy dinner and celebrate their achievements. Students Ahmad Dixon and Tharon Lewis, of Turie T. Small Elementary School, gave Words of Appreciation prior to a special dinner, Forough Hosseini, Founder and Chair, and Judi Winch, Executive Director, presented each student with a "Born to Lead" Certificate and either a laptop or a tablet. Two students from each school were also presented with a Citizenship Award and Gift Card.



STARKE ELEMENTARY

TURIE T. SMALL ELEMENTARY



WESTSIDE ELEMENTARY

CAMPBELL MIDDLE



MAINLAND HIGH

#### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

Family Literacy Program Volunteer ~ Student Mentoring ~ Clerical Work in Office ~ After School Programs Volunteer ~ Assist Handing out Food Bags ~ Hosting a Drive/Fundraiser ~ Field Trips and Events

#### **FBH Wish List**

Desktop Computers ~ Tablets ~ Laptops Coffee and End Tables ~ Lamps for Hope House ~ Cleaning Supplies ~ Toiletries Small Items for Event Goodie Bags

If you would like to donate any of the above items, please contact Mary Habarth at 386-843-1161. These items are needed for the use of children of all ages in the FBH programs and for the residents of Hope House.

#### **Our Mission**

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

Our Vision

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

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