



# FOOD BRINGS HOPE

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

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## FROM THE DESK OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Dear FBH Family,

The beginning of summer is always exciting as we look forward to vacations, fun and spending more time with family and friends. It is my hope that you also take some time for personal rest, relaxation and reflection.

The needs of our homeless and hungry children do not stop at the close of the school year. Several schools will be conducting summer programs with Turie T Small even providing swimming lessons to their participants. "Ahoj There, Matey! Let's Read!", a reading program procured by FBH through a Dollar General Grant, will be facilitated at an elementary school in Daytona Beach. Food bags will be made available to our families in need this summer through FBH site programs, VCS food programs and two community sites initiated through a partnership with HUM and Volusia County.

As we proceed through the summer, we will be evaluating our general and school site programs making certain adjustments are made where necessary and successes are celebrated and expanded. All information will be shared with the FBH Executive Board at our annual retreat to be held in August. Additional school sites will be decided upon at that time also. The main intent of FBH is to always produce quality programs rather than concentrating on the quantity of them.

Continue to watch for information regarding VCan2020 and our intent to eradicate youth hunger and homelessness in Volusia County.

Thank you for your continued support through these months. Enjoy your summer!

My Best to All!  
Judi



## FBH Promotes Community Service Projects



Ormond Beach Middle School gives back to the community by preparing Christmas bags (below) and providing plants for a school neighbor. Westside Elementary students continue to expand a community garden.



## Food Brings Hope Hosts Night at the BallPark

Food Brings Hope celebrated the end of the school year by inviting FBH students to a Night at the Ball Game. Over 350 students and sponsors attended an evening at Jackie Robinson Ballpark in Daytona Beach. After a ballpark hotdog meal, two students from each school received a Citizenship Award and gift card. Following the awards ceremony, the students and sponsors enjoyed a baseball game hosted by the Daytona Tortugas. Students, Zach Pham, Nadina Prestwood, Jmariayha Brown, Kristopher Mancilla, David Cherry, Joshua Turton, James Randall and Jeremiah Hall received the honor of running on the field and standing with the players during the National Anthem.



## Bolles Mission Club Reaches Out to Support Food Brings Hope



Students from The Bolles School in Jacksonville, Florida, collected and delivered a truckload of toiletry items to benefit the homeless and underprivileged students and families of Food Brings Hope. The students from the Mission Club of Bolles packed bulk items in large bins, but also organized individual toiletry bags to be given to residents of The Eric Christopher DeVriese, Jr. HOPE House, a home for unaccompanied Food Brings Hope youth. The families and young adults of Hope Place also benefitted from this huge donation of items. Students in the club follow the mission of helping those in need around the world who do not have the opportunity or ability to improve their lifestyle with their current resources and environment.

Reece Foster, a student leader from the club said, "I hope the kits we assembled help those in need and show that we care." Items collected were stored in her family garage and students met there on numerous occasions to separate items and place into bins or individual bags. It was most generous and kind for the Mission Club students, Nicole Foster, Reece Foster, Oliver Baraket, Destin Kirby, Henry Maw, John Todd, Amanda Morales, and Caroline Clements to choose Food Brings Hope as the charity for their outreach project.



## Food Brings Hope Receives Tremendous Support from ERICSA Annual Conference

The Eastern Regional Interstate Child Support Association (ERICSA) recently held their annual conference at the Plaza Resort and Spa in Daytona Beach. Prior to arrival, Michael McGuire, ERICSA VP, contacted Judi Winch, Executive Director of Food Brings Hope, with the news that FBH had been selected as the local charity to benefit from the group's Silent Auction proceeds and other personal donations. Judi had the opportunity to speak to over 400 attendees at the opening ceremony and was invited to the closing session to receive a check in the amount of \$8,863.86 for the amount collected that week. Ms. Winch stated, "The support of ERICSA was unbelievable. Those in attendance at the conference did not reside in our community; however, after hearing about the large number of homeless and hungry children and youth in Volusia County, they opened their hearts and generously donated to the Mission of Food Brings Hope. We are extremely grateful!"



## 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 ~ Printers  
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 The Eric Christopher DeVriese, Jr. 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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