



# Food4Thought

People Helping People's Monthly Newsletter

April 2021

## Many Hands Make Light Work

I like to tell people that PHP is comprised of 99.99% volunteers! I'm so proud to be with an organization where the volunteer teams go above and beyond to help the community and bring food to those who need it!

Each volunteer brings their own special skill set and qualities to PHP and I'd like to tell you about a few of them.

Our Weekend Blessings team is comprised of so many volunteers it's hard to recognize them all, but these groups are led by Barbara Nassar, our volunteer WB Director. Barbara is so dedicated that not only does she organize all the groups taking food to the school students, she's brought in thousands of dollars in grants to help pay for the food!

Neighborhood Blessings is another program that wouldn't work without all our volunteers. Mary Tokar takes

food and necessities out to those who can't come here every Friday and Ellen Frank is here to not only help with that program, but will fix you lunch if you ask her!

One of newer volunteers, Angela Porterfield coordinates the Sunday Blessings dinners with David & Chris Tharp and Gerry & Georgeann Morrone. And our donation drives are led by Dona Gilbody, Joyce Greco and Jason Matheson. They are all so good at getting the food to PHP from donations around the county.

Jason is also one who is always ready to help around the Center or help someone in need. He and Juan Hazoury are always "fixing" things around here.

Speaking of helping those in need, on March 30, PHP's medical volunteers, led by Maureen Soliman, RN, helped Pinebrook Pharmacy administer Moderna COVID Vaccines to 62 people. Her team also has a free clinic every Tuesday.

And we certainly couldn't function without Mary Adams, who keeps our budget and financing in check, besides volunteering on Fridays and Sundays!

Sunday Blessings are run by an efficient crew who continued to give



*A big thanks to Katie Stroman from Career Source for bringing a crew of young people to help with our mobile food distribution!*

out meals this past year during Covid without missing a beat!

Besides his other duties, our Board President Doug Brainard, has decided to head up the Senior Blessings.

And I can't forget the gardening team, led by Doug, and Linda and Jeff Weiner. Come by and see all the greenery!

Thinking about all the hours these wonderful people work puts me in awe!

Needless to say, PHP couldn't operate without all these dedicated people and I am grateful to work with them!

*~Becky Burton, Executive Director*

*If you know of a Senior citizen who has transportation and is in need of groceries, they may qualify for a Feeding Tampa Bay's program. Please have them call PHP at 352-686-4466 and leave their name and phone number and someone will get back to them.*

## What's on the calendar:

Tues. April 13, 10am-1pm: Free Clinic  
Tues. April 27, 10am-1pm: Free Clinic  
Tues, April 27: Pine Brook Pharmacy administering second COVID vaccine  
Wed. April 28, 10:30: Mobile Food Dist.  
Tues., May 11, 10am-1pm: Free Clinic  
Tues. May 25, 10am-1pm: Free Clinic  
Wed., May 26, 10:30: Mobile Food Dist.

Lunch is available every Tues. & Friday at 11:30 am, and a hot meal is served Sundays at 3:30 pm.

Want to know what's going on at People Helping People?

Our Calendar is online - view it here:  
<https://phphernando.org/calendar>

## Our Next Mobile Food Distribution

Wednesday, April 28

Begins at 10:30 am

Location: HELP Center

1396 Kass Circle, Spring Hill

To volunteer, call 352-686-4466



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# WITHOUT ALL OF YOU, WE ARE NOT POSSIBLE!

Cash donations enable us to buy those food items that we do not get in donations. Thank you to those who contributed financially during the month of March.

Frank & Jean Andreae  
 Anthony & April Artemisio  
 Linda M Bixby  
 Catherine Buonemani  
 Margo Castellana  
 Barry & Phyllis Church  
 Dustin Clark  
 P Ronald & Sara Cohen  
 Community Bag and Giving Program  
 Crystal Motor Car Employees  
 Stuart Deutsch  
 James A Distefano  
 John Dorgan  
 Sabryna Hammond  
 Bryon Holz  
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 Marquita Leonard  
 Mary McClelland  
 Brenda Motter  
 James M & Debra J Peary  
 Victor & Barri Schledt  
 Richard Sweade  
 Nicole Waters  
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## **Thank you to all who provided in-kind donations during March:**

Brookridge  
 Deltona Elementary  
 Denise Lolljfe  
 Donna Habig  
 Hernando HS FFA  
 High Point  
 Holy Trinity Orthodox Church  
 Robert Kwarren family  
 Timber Pines  
 Wellington  
 Westside Elementary  
 Linda & Jeff Weiner

## **IN NEED OF FOOD?**

PHP's volunteers have comprised a list of available food pantries and programs around Hernando County. If you know someone in need of food, please share the list with them. [phphernando.org/resources](http://phphernando.org/resources)

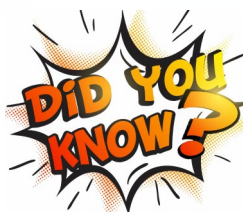


## **March Sunday Blessings meal sponsors**

Pam & Bob Yonker  
 Hallcrest Eagles 4497



## **Weekend Blessings**



Any child residing in Hernando County is eligible to receive kid-friendly food for the weekend.

Our Weekend Blessings bags can be picked up Fridays, 11am - 2pm at People Helping People's HELP Center. If you have any questions, please call Barbara at 352-686-4466.



If you have news or a photo of interest to share, please send it to Becky at [admin@phphernando.org](mailto:admin@phphernando.org).



*If you are in need of bread, a hot meal, (and sometime produce), please come by Sundays at 3:30 pm. We'll fill the tummies of you and your family!*

## **Buy a bag at Winn-Dixie**

For the month of April, People Helping People will receive a \$1 donation from the purchase of each \$2.50 reusable Community Bag at the Winn-Dixie stores located at 2240 Commercial Way and 4221 Mariner Blvd.



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