



2018 ANNUAL REPORT



VOLUNTEER FLORIDA

STRENGTHENING FLORIDA'S COMMUNITIES FOR OVER 20 YEARS



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AUTUMN KARLINSKY

Volunteer Florida Commission Chair



DAVID MICA, JR.

Chief Executive Officer

Partners and Friends,

We are pleased to present Volunteer Florida's 2018 Annual Report! 2018 marked several turning points for Volunteer Florida. We are proud of our impact across the state, from granting funds to serve rural students to Hurricane Michael response efforts.

Volunteer Florida staff deployed to the State Emergency Operations Center and throughout the impacted areas following Hurricane Michael. Since then, Volunteer Florida has raised over \$5.3 million for the Florida Disaster Fund and coordinated more than 707,663 volunteer hours in affected areas - a value of \$16.5 million.

In 2018, Volunteer Florida awarded \$11.3 million in federal AmeriCorps funding to Florida non-profits, schools, education foundations and service organizations. Thanks to this funding, 1,331 AmeriCorps members provided 1.5 million hours of service during the 2017-2018 program year, a value of \$36 million.

We continue to work to serve Florida's future leaders. In fact, Florida's AmeriCorps members served 50,115 students in 248 schools this year. Sixty-seven percent of students tutored and tested improved their academic skills.

As we reflect on 2018 and enter into 2019, we extend our heartfelt gratitude to Volunteer Florida Commissioners, Foundation Board members, staff, partners and sponsors who continue to support our efforts. We could not **#ServeFL** without you!

Sincerely,


Autumn Karlinsky
Commission Chair


David Mica, Jr.
Chief Executive Officer

VOLUNTEER FLORIDA

In 1994, Volunteer Florida was established in Florida Statutes to manage national service programs, such as AmeriCorps, and advocate for volunteerism throughout Florida. Since then, Volunteer Florida has evolved to serve as the state's principal agency for mobilizing volunteers and coordinating donations before, during and after disasters. Through these duties, Volunteer Florida is engaging Floridians, transforming communities and making the state a better place to live.

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*Volunteer Florida administers over **\$66 million** in federal, state, local and private funding to deliver high-impact national service and volunteer programs in Florida.*

Every dollar invested by the State of Florida is leveraged to secure \$66 in non-state funding.

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NATIONAL SERVICE





AMERICORPS **FLORIDA**

As Florida's lead agency for volunteerism and national service, one of our most important responsibilities is administering AmeriCorps funding for Florida students, schools and families. Volunteer Florida administers federal, state and local funding to deliver high-impact service programs across the state. This funding allows local organizations to put AmeriCorps members to work in schools and non-profits.

AmeriCorps members dedicate a year of their life in service to local organizations and gain invaluable job skills in preparation to enter the workforce or continue their education. Many AmeriCorps members attend college in the area in which they serve, providing a direct investment in Florida's colleges and universities.

Volunteer Florida's 2017-2018 AmeriCorps grantees are as follows:

- ▶ Arc Jacksonville
- ▶ Big Brothers Big Sisters Reads
- ▶ Boys and Girls Club of North Central Florida
- ▶ Branches
- ▶ CareerSource Broward
- ▶ Centro Campesino
- ▶ Children of Inmates
- ▶ Children's Forum (planning grant)
- ▶ City of Orlando
- ▶ City Year, Inc. - Jacksonville
- ▶ City Year, Inc. - Miami
- ▶ City Year, Inc. - Orlando
- ▶ Communities In Schools of Jacksonville
- ▶ Communities In Schools of Miami
- ▶ Firewall Centers, Inc.
- ▶ Florida Department of Environmental Protection
- ▶ Goodwill Industries Big Bend, Inc.
- ▶ Heart of Florida United Way
- ▶ Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County
- ▶ Metropolitan Ministries, Inc.
- ▶ Miami Dade College
- ▶ Northwest Florida State College
- ▶ Peacemakers
- ▶ Polk Education Foundation
- ▶ Reading and Math, Inc.
- ▶ Seniors in Service
- ▶ Teach for America Jacksonville
- ▶ Teach for America Orlando
- ▶ University of North Florida
- ▶ Up2Us, Inc.
- ▶ Worknet Pinellas

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Value of volunteer time provided by IndependentSector.org



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in 248 Florida schools



67% of students tutored and tested improved academically



AMERICORPS SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

NORTHWEST FLORIDA ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDS



AMERICORPS MEMBERS
PROVIDED STEM BASED
EDUCATION TO MORE THAN
**1,950 THIRD AND FIFTH
GRADERS**
IN 18 ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

AS A RESULT OF AMERICORPS
STEM EDUCATION SERVICES,
1,619 STUDENTS
INCREASED THEIR KNOWLEDGE
OF ENVIRONMENTAL
STEWARDSHIP

AMERICORPS MEMBERS
TREATED AND IMPROVED
16 ACRES
OF THE CHOCTAWHATCHEE
BASIN WATERSHED

Volunteer Florida grantee, Northwest Florida State College, supports the Northwest Florida Environmental Stewards AmeriCorps program, which utilizes AmeriCorps members to implement the Grasses in Classes curriculum in 18 Okaloosa and Walton County schools. The program provides STEM-based education to third and fifth grade students. At the conclusion of the AmeriCorps curriculum, students transplant grasses grown in classes to the Choctawhatchee Basin to support watershed restoration. This unique and exemplary program was named the 2017-2018 Program of the Year by Volunteer Florida.



DR. G. DEVIN STEPHENSON

President, Northwest Florida State College

"We are very proud and fortunate to partner with Volunteer Florida. The NWF Environmental Stewards AmeriCorps program is the best in educating and engaging AmeriCorps members, students and volunteers in service projects to inspire environmental stewardship along the Emerald Coast. Additionally, Volunteer Florida was a tremendous resource and partner during Hurricane Michael recovery efforts by helping to staff the emergency shelter located at Raider Arena on our campus."

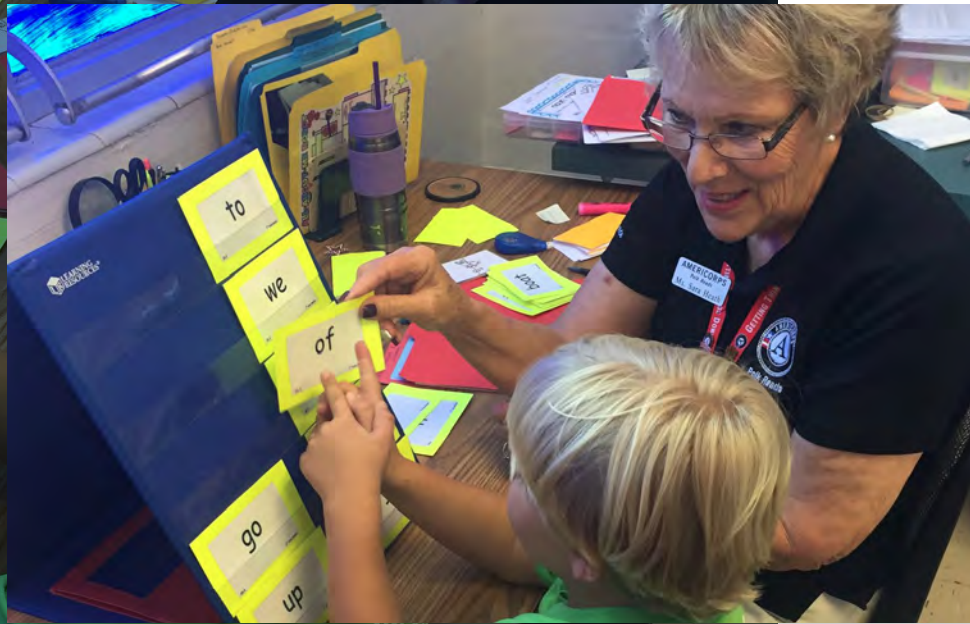
AMERICORPS SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

AMERICORPS POLK READS

AMERICORPS MEMBERS PROVIDED TUTORING TO **503 ECONOMICALLY-DISADVANTAGED STUDENTS** IN 10 POLK COUNTY ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

AMERICORPS SERVICE LED TO **368 STUDENTS** EXPERIENCING A GAIN IN LITERACY

DURING HURRICANE IRMA **23 MEMBERS** SERVED **386 HOURS** SUPPORTING A LOCAL VOLUNTEER RECEPTION CENTER



Volunteer Florida grantee, Polk Education Foundation, engages AmeriCorps members in ten Polk County schools, serving over 500 economically disadvantaged students who are reading below grade level. AmeriCorps members work with students to improve students' academic success in literacy. AmeriCorps members tutor kindergarten through third grade students in reading, using phonemic awareness, phonics, vocabulary development, reading fluency and reading comprehension strategies.

SUSAN COPELAND

Executive Director, Polk Education Foundation



"The Polk Education Foundation has been proud to partner with Volunteer Florida for many, many years, helping thousands of elementary students become better readers! There is no greater gift than the gift of reading, it will help these students be successful, graduate high school, then go on to be productive community members. AmeriCorps Polk Reads changes lives!"



VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND

Volunteer Florida is proud to administer the federal Volunteer Generation Fund (VGF) in Florida. VGF focuses on increasing the capacity of organizations to recruit, manage and retain skills-based volunteers to serve in high-value volunteer assignments. Skills-based volunteerism expands the impact of community organizations by leveraging the skills of professionals, such as accountants, IT consultants, attorneys and teachers.

VGF grantees are in the heart of communities across the state, putting volunteers to work to provide STEM education opportunities, help job-seekers find employment and teach financial literacy, work readiness and entrepreneurship skills to Floridians.

In 2018,
Volunteer Florida's
15,488
skills-based
VGF volunteers

provided
293,524
hours of service
in Florida

A value of
\$6.8 million.

Value of volunteer time provided by IndependentSector.org

Opioid focused VGF volunteers were able to:

Host community awareness days

Act as mentors to vulnerable populations

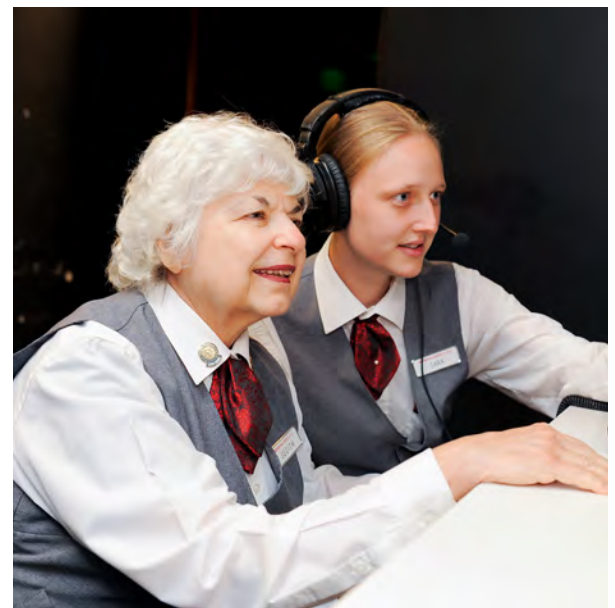
Conduct opioid abuse and prevention trainings

Provide care in substance abuse residential treatment facilities

Research laws on the epidemic,
alternative medical uses and patients' rights

Volunteer Florida's 2017-2018 Volunteer Generation Fund grantees are as follows:

- ▶ Broward Education Foundation
- ▶ Caridad Center Inc
- ▶ Catholic Volunteers In Florida Incorporated
- ▶ Changing Homelessness Inc
- ▶ Feeding America Tampa Bay
- ▶ Girls On The Run Of The Big Bend Inc
- ▶ Gulf Coast Jewish Family And Community Services Inc
- ▶ Habitat For Humanity International Inc (WV Affiliate)
- ▶ Jewish Family And Community Services Of Southwest Florida
- ▶ Junior Achievement Of North Florida
- ▶ Learning for Success
- ▶ Lightner Museum Of Hobbies
- ▶ Monticello Opera House Inc
- ▶ New Hope for Kids
- ▶ Parker Street Ministries
- ▶ Performing Arts Center Trust Inc (aka Arsht Center)
- ▶ Rebuilding Together Tampa Bay Inc
- ▶ Schott Memorial Center Inc
- ▶ Seniors on a Mission, Inc.
- ▶ Speak Up For Kids Of Palm Beach County Inc
- ▶ United Way of Palm Beach County
- ▶ United Way of the Florida Keys



VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

LEARNING FOR SUCCESS



**SKILLS-BASED
VOLUNTEERS**
PROVIDED OVER
42,000 HOURS
OF SERVICE

PROVIDED
255 WORK FIELD TRIPS
TO **6,575 STUDENTS**
IN MIAMI-DADE, BROWARD AND
MONROE COUNTY SCHOOLS

Learning for Success, Inc. manages the Kids And The Power of Work (KAPOW) program throughout South Florida. The program began in 1991 with one partnership between Burger King Corporation and Cutler Ridge Elementary School. Today KAPOW is a national network of business and elementary school partnerships which introduces students to career awareness through professionally-designed lessons taught by business volunteers in the classroom and visits to work sites. The KAPOW volunteer program utilizes 500 business, community and school volunteers annually who conduct career-awareness and workplace skills lessons and coordinate field trips to work sites so students can experience jobs firsthand.

ENGAGED
**1,769 SKILLS-BASED
VOLUNTEERS** TO TEACH CAREER
DEVELOPMENT AND WORKPLACE
SKILLS LESSONS



JOHN CASBARRO

President, Learning for Success

“The Volunteer Generation Fund has helped us develop new ways to recruit, train and retain volunteers. Our revised training methods are appealing to the emotions of participants and sharing a clear message that the program impacts students positively. This has excited the volunteers to use KAPOW as a platform to change the lives of young people throughout South Florida.”

VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

SENIORS ON A MISSION

ENGAGED
592 SENIORS
IN VOLUNTEER SERVICE

PROVIDED
4,662
HOURS OF SERVICE
TO THE JACKSONVILLE
COMMUNITY

PROVIDED SKILLS-BASED
SERVICE TO
24 NON-PROFIT
ORGANIZATIONS



Seniors on a Mission exists to honor, love and encourage independent senior adults, inspiring them to live invigorated lives filled with purpose and grace. Seniors on a Mission removes obstacles that keep seniors from engaging in volunteerism and forms bridges in the community that empower them to serve, live independently and flourish mentally, emotionally, physically and spiritually. Senior adults, ranging from 60-108 years of age, work to accomplish team-oriented, volunteer projects in partnership with local nonprofit organizations in and around Jacksonville. This year's projects included weaving "Mats of Love" for locals experiencing homelessness, assembling Junior Achievement training kits and packing Easter bags for local families.

JOANNE HICKOX

Executive Director, Seniors on a Mission



"The VGF grant has allowed Seniors on a Mission to make significant impact with our senior population. Workable technology allows us more time to dedicate to honoring, loving and encouraging independent senior adults. This grant has enabled us to reach additional seniors to give more hours of service, helping all sectors of need in our community. We currently partner with 105 local nonprofit organizations and with advancements made with this grant, we hope to expand to other cities and states."



LEADERCORPS

Volunteer Florida's LeaderCorps Program is designed to engage and provide additional leadership development opportunities for AmeriCorps members. Every year, a class of service leaders from across Florida is selected to be a part of LeaderCorps and advocate for volunteerism and civic engagement in their local communities.

In 2018, 23 LeaderCorps members representing 17 AmeriCorps programs were selected as members of LeaderCorps. Volunteer Florida provides training in career development and leadership skills through LeaderCorps convenings, trainings and webinars. LeaderCorps members are required to design and facilitate an end-of-year service project. The service projects, which take place throughout the state, provide experience in developing partnerships, working with businesses and developing a strategic plan. LeaderCorps members continue to create positive, sustainable change in communities through service and leadership.

2018 LeaderCorps Service Projects

Students and families served:	588	
New partnerships developed:	24	
Care kits donated:	170+	
Additional volunteers recruited:	280	

Florida State Parks: Celebration of Stewardship Fort Pierce, Florida



LeaderCorps members hosted an event at Savannas Preserve State Park to strengthen the relationship between the park and surrounding communities. The project showcased the park's many resources and recognized local stewardship-based organizations. Community members enjoyed prescribed fire demonstrations, animal presentations and nature hikes. As a result, community members developed an appreciation for Savannas Preserve State Park and a better understanding of how their actions directly impact the environment.

"I walked away with a new perspective. Whether I realize it or not, I am personally responsible for preserving and protecting the environment." - Fort Pierce Community Member

Arc Jacksonville: Yards for Yearley Jacksonville, Florida



LeaderCorps members partnered with OneLove to host a Yards for Yearley walk to help raise awareness of unhealthy relationship behaviors and to teach young people to "Love Better." The Arc Jacksonville serves locals with intellectual and developmental differences (IDD), enabling them to live independently and achieve their full potential. Yards for Yearley is particularly important as individuals with IDD are seven times more likely to be in an unhealthy relationship than those without IDD. With 100 walkers in attendance and 40 virtual walkers, more than 500,000 yards were pledged.

"LeaderCorps members' love for the IDD community, passion for the mission of One Love and excitement during the Yards for Yearley event is what made it so special. We're excited to continue working with LeaderCorps and the rest of the team at the Arc Jacksonville." - ImpactJax Representative



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AmeriCorps.gov



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT



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Training

Volunteer Florida is the state's lead agency for coordinating volunteers and donations before, during and after disasters. Local governments and non-profits across the state turn to Volunteer Florida before disasters strike for training on volunteer and donations management. Volunteer Florida provides training to these local partners to ensure that government agencies, non-profits and the business community are positioned to effectively utilize volunteers and manage donations during and after disasters.

Trainings and workshops held

60



Number of people trained

1,166



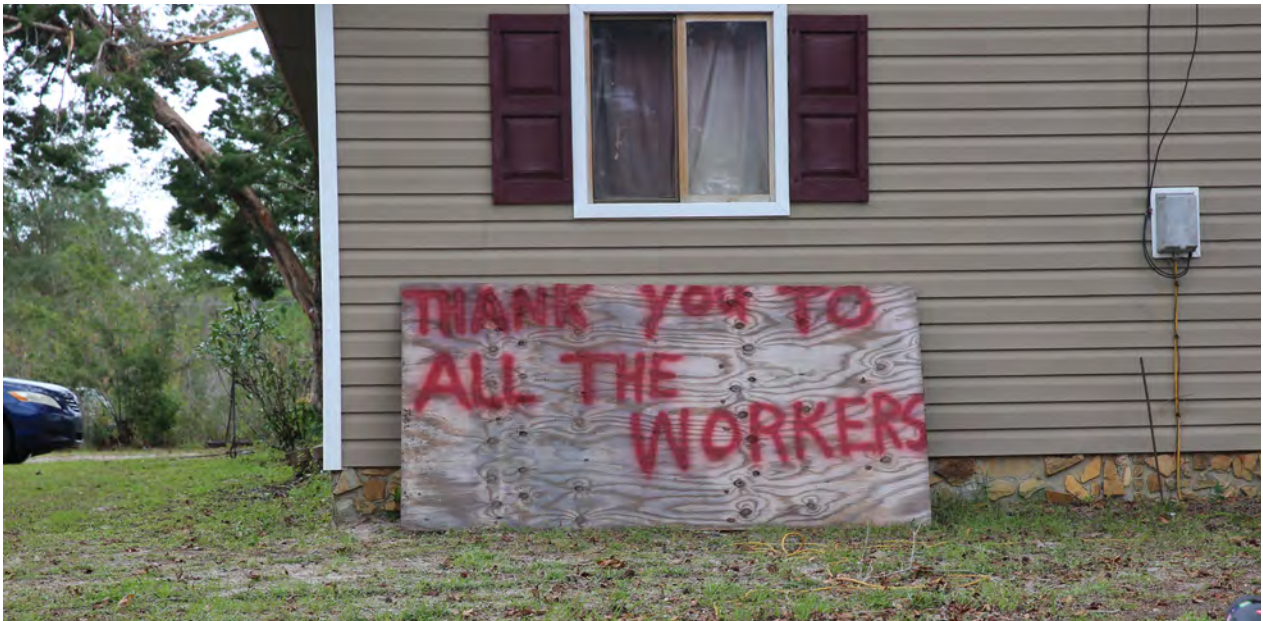
Number of Florida counties represented

49



Disaster Response

When a disaster such as Hurricane Michael strikes the State of Florida, Volunteer Florida staff deploys to the State's Emergency Operations Center (EOC). Volunteer Florida manages volunteers and donations on behalf of Florida, working from both the EOC in Tallahassee and through joint field offices set up across the state. Volunteer Florida coordinates volunteers from local non-profits, businesses and national relief organizations while managing private sector donations of material goods and financial support.



In 2018, Volunteer Florida Emergency Management staff coordinated volunteers and donations for six separate events:

February ❄️ Cold weather shelters

March - April 🔥 South Florida fires

May 🌀 Tropical Storm Alberto

June 🔥 East Point Fire

September 🌀 Tropical Storm Florence

October 🌀 Hurricane Michael



COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM / **CITIZEN CORPS**

Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) are specially-trained teams across the state that are equipped to take action following emergencies, such as hurricanes, tornadoes or wildfires. Volunteer Florida administers funding for their training, which focuses on basic disaster response skills, including fire safety, light search and rescue and disaster medical operations.

Following their training, citizens deploy to impacted areas so that they can assist in response and recovery. Citizens are prepared to offer immediate help to victims until professional services arrive, while also providing evacuation assistance and supporting damage assessment teams.

The Citizen Corps program was created to coordinate volunteer activities that will make local communities safer, stronger and better prepared to respond to any emergency situation. Citizen Corps Councils focus on emergency planning and education that will enhance communitywide post-disaster resiliency.

In 2017-18, Volunteer Florida awarded \$300,000 in Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding to 41 grantees, 22 CERT teams and 17 Citizen Corps Councils. In the last year, Florida CERT teams have responded to Hurricanes Hermine, Matthew, Irma and Michael, local search and rescue efforts and statewide wildfires.



COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

CAPE CORAL COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM

RECRUITED AND ENGAGED

**173 COMMUNITY
VOLUNTEERS**

COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERS

PROVIDED OVER

**4,000 HOURS
OF SERVICE**

THROUGH OUTREACH,
TRAININGS, ADMINISTRATIVE
SUPPORT, EMERGENCY
OPERATIONS CENTER
ACTIVATIONS AND
FIELD OPERATIONS

SERVED

**894 HOURS OF
COMMUNITY SERVICE**

DURING THE 11 DAYS OF
ACTIVATION FOR
HURRICANE IRMA



The Cape Coral Community Emergency Response Team celebrated its 20th anniversary with its most dynamic year yet. Cape Coral CERT's 173 members served over 4,000 hours during response efforts for the August 100-Year-Flood and Hurricane Irma. During the flood, CERT fielded phone calls from the public, staffed damage assessment teams and set up a reception center for evacuees. Two weeks later during Irma, 43 CERT volunteers served at the Cape Coral Emergency Operations Center in the Resource Unit, Documentation Unit, Food Unit and the Emergency Information Call Center. In addition, they managed two County shelters, staffed two refuges of last resort after Lee County declared a mandatory evacuation for most of Cape Coral and deployed a strike team to neighboring Collier County to assist with a Point of Distribution in the storm's aftermath.

JAMES CUNNINGHAM

President, Florida CERT Association



"Florida CERT Association is proud to partner with Volunteer Florida to best meet the needs of our Florida residents and businesses. Volunteer Florida has created opportunities for CERT members to train and gain further experience in addition to deployments to significant natural disasters over the last several years."



FLORIDA DISASTER FUND

The Florida Disaster Fund, administered by Volunteer Florida Foundation, was established in 2004 to fulfill unmet needs after disasters. This allows Floridians to benefit from all available resources with maximum efficiency and without duplication of effort. The Volunteer Florida Foundation distributes the Florida Disaster Fund among voluntary organizations that have identified unmet needs and are engaged in disaster response and long-term recovery activities in Florida.

Immediately following a disaster, these organizations and affiliated volunteers assist with urgent activities, such as sheltering, debris cleanup and tree removal, tarping and roof repairs, mucking out and gutting of homes and distribution of water, food and other supplies.

In the months or even years after a disaster, these organizations repair and rebuild homes, businesses, schools and eventually, communities. Some organizations also participate in individual case management, allowing them to assist with critical tasks like connecting disaster victims to local resources and helping them apply for federal assistance. These organizations also advocate for low-income, minority and elderly victims.

Since its inception, the Florida Disaster Fund has received almost \$27 million in private contributions which has been allocated to more than 300 voluntary organizations.



FLORIDA DISASTER FUND SERVICE SPOTLIGHT

DISASTER CASE MANAGEMENT PROGRAM

PROVIDING DISASTER CASE
MANAGEMENT ASSISTANCE TO

**11,017 HURRICANE
IRMA SURVIVORS**

SERVING AFFECTED
COMMUNITIES IN

49 FLORIDA COUNTIES

**\$1,267,455 IN
SERVICES**

PROVIDED TO
HURRICANE SURVIVORS
THUS FAR



In the 49 Florida Counties that were most impacted by Hurricane Irma last year, long-term recovery challenges are being met by Volunteer Florida's Disaster Case Management Program. Thanks to Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) funding provided to the State of Florida, Volunteer Florida is able to partner with local and national experts to provide Disaster Case Management services to the estimated 168,000 Floridians who need help returning to their pre-Hurricane Irma lives. Assistance comes from almost 200 case managers deployed throughout Florida who help connect people to volunteer resources, such as those that repair or rebuild homes, and search for specialized services available to children, the elderly and individuals with disabilities. Many of those impacted simply need a helping hand to navigate through the unfamiliar programs and services available to help them recover and regain their independence. The Hurricane Irma Disaster Case Management Program is serving as a model for federal, state and private non-profits, demonstrating how to provide critical services to disaster survivors more quickly and effectively than in previous disasters.

RENEE WILSON

Hurricane Irma Survivor, Central Florida

"When Hurricane Irma hit Central Florida, I was not prepared physically, emotionally or financially for anything that she had in store. Irma came to destroy everything in her path and she did just that. I had no clue how I would repair the damage to my home, but Angelia Dariso gave me hope. She was very respectful, yet candid, throughout the recovery process, from start to finish. Angelia and her team are ethical, honorable, honest and definitely diligent in their work. They are saving lives one day at a time."





EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIAL REPORT

HURRICANE MICHAEL

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Hurricane Michael was a Category 4 storm that brought rampant flooding and damaging winds – clocking in at 100 miles-per-hour – to the Florida Panhandle. Following the storm, several individuals, groups and corporations donated to the Florida Disaster Fund. In just two months, Volunteer Florida received over \$5 million to distribute to partner organizations serving in the impacted area. While recovery will continue for months and last for years, Volunteer Florida is grateful for this support and remains confident that Florida will emerge stronger than ever before.



REBUILD 850

REBUILD 850 was created by two former Florida Speakers of the Florida House of Representatives – Allan Bense and Will Weatherford – in partnership with former U.S. Representative Gwen Graham, Volunteer Florida, the Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, United Way of Florida and other agencies and organizations to generate awareness of North Florida's recovery and marshal ongoing support.



DAVID MICA, JR.

Chief Executive Officer, Volunteer Florida

“Residents of the Panhandle have been blessed with the support of so many volunteers and donors, but their struggles will remain long after this first wave of help subsides. With REBUILD 850, we are working tirelessly to ensure that Floridians continue to receive the help that they so desperately need.”

COMCAST PSA: DONATE TO THE FLORIDA DISASTER FUND

As part of a \$700,000 donation – \$350,000 directly to the Florida Disaster Fund and \$350,000 in advertising costs – Comcast has been airing a powerful public service announcement statewide. It encourages donations to the Florida Disaster Fund in an effort to help Floridians who have been affected by Hurricane Michael.



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIAL REPORT

HURRICANE MICHAEL



AREAS SEVERELY IMPACTED BY HURRICANE MICHAEL





EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIAL REPORT HURRICANE MICHAEL

CORPORATE DONATIONS TO THE FLORIDA DISASTER FUND



AMY SMITH

Regional Senior Vice President, Comcast



“It’s heartbreaking to see the destruction and damage caused by Hurricane Michael across the Florida Panhandle, and our thoughts are with everyone who has been impacted. Comcast has a long history of serving communities and people throughout the state of Florida, and we are committed to supporting relief and restoration efforts across the Panhandle during this challenging time.”



PAT GERAGHTY

Chief Executive Officer, Florida Blue



“While the storm itself has passed, the suffering felt by residents in Northwest Florida will have a lasting impact. Our employees, members, friends and families have all been affected by this terrible storm. We are committed to doing all we can to aid in the recovery while helping to bring a sense of normalcy back to the community we serve.”



FRAZIER WILSON

Vice President, Shell Oil Company



“We understand the importance of ongoing support as communities continue to recover from significant events like Hurricane Michael. By partnering with organizations like Volunteer Florida, families and communities in the most impacted areas will continue to receive the resources needed to return stronger and recover faster.”

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIAL REPORT

HURRICANE MICHAEL



FLORIDA DISASTER FUND DONORS

Volunteer Florida appreciates the support of the groups and corporations that made significant contributions to the Florida Disaster Fund following Hurricane Michael. Below is a sample of some of these generous donors.





EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIAL REPORT HURRICANE MICHAEL

FLORIDA DISASTER FUND GRANTEES

The first round of Florida Disaster Fund grants was awarded to 17 organizations that are engaged in Hurricane Michael response and recovery efforts. Each organization received \$25,000 (\$425,000 in total) to assist with urgent activities, such as tarping and roof repairs, as well as long-term rebuilding.



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIAL REPORT

HURRICANE MICHAEL



SHARON TYLER

Executive Director, Capital Area Chapter of the American Red Cross



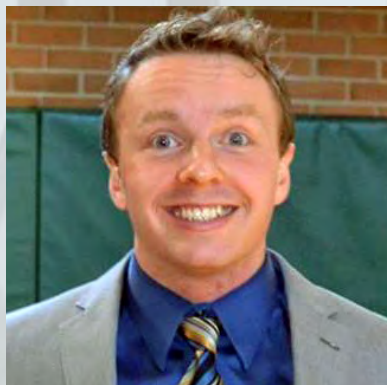
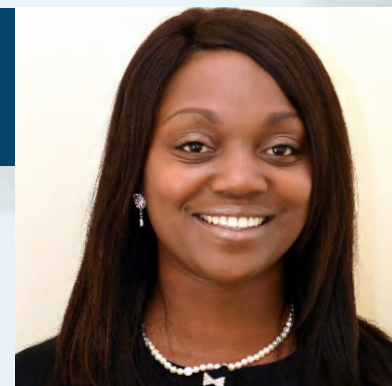
"We've been helping families affected by Hurricane Michael since before the storm hit, and we'll continue to help, as the road to recovery will be long. So far, our response includes distributing 605,723 meals and 858,462 snacks, as well as 176,000 emergency supplies, like clean-up kits and tarps, shovels and rakes. As we move from response to recovery, this grant will allow us to determine the gaps in our clients' recovery plans and find resources to solve those problems."



CARMEN SMITH

Executive Director, Chipola Area Habitat for Humanity

"In the aftermath of Hurricane Michael, we have helped families in Jackson County with debris clean-up, tree removal and emergency home repairs. Prior to the storm, the need for safe, decent and affordable was high, but now, with over 2,000 more residences deemed uninhabitable, it's a community-wide priority. This grant enables us to expand our services to meet that demand."



MARK SMITH

Advisory Services Manager, SBP, Inc.



"Our team was on the ground within days of Hurricane Michael's landfall, and we've been helping the residents of Bay, Gulf and Franklin Counties ever since. To date, our AmeriCorps members and volunteers have served over 4,800 hours, mucked and gutted 39 homes and trained 12 other organizations throughout the affected areas. This grant will allow us to help many more families impacted by this devastating storm."



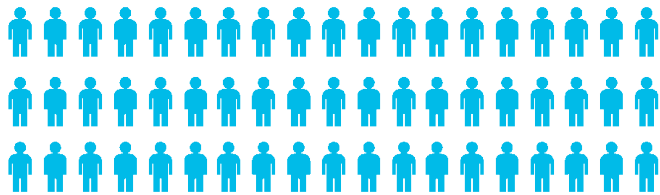
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VOLUNTEER FLORIDA PARTNERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

VOLUNTEERS

62,945

VOLUNTEERS MOBILIZED



707,663

HOURS OF SERVICE



FOOD & SHELTER

44,750 FLORIDIANS
TOOK REFUGE IN
50 SHELTERS
ACROSS THE STATE



3.9
MILLION
MEALS
SERVED

RECOVERY

13,993
TREES REMOVED



400
HOUSES MUCKED OUT



1,772
DEBRIS REMOVALS



EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SPECIAL REPORT HURRICANE MICHAEL



AMERICORPS DISASTER RESPONSE TEAMS (ADRT)



AmeriCorps Disaster Response Teams (ADRT) have a heightened focus on disaster response and recovery, allowing them to deploy under short notice and self-sufficiently serve in states throughout the nation.

ADRT members from states like California, Texas and Washington deployed within hours after Hurricane Michael made landfall, and since then, they have served over 41,877 hours throughout the area.

• Meanwhile, Florida's ADRT team served in Bay County, where members assisted with shelter operations and performed damage assessments.



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AMERICORPS MEMBERS
MOBILIZED

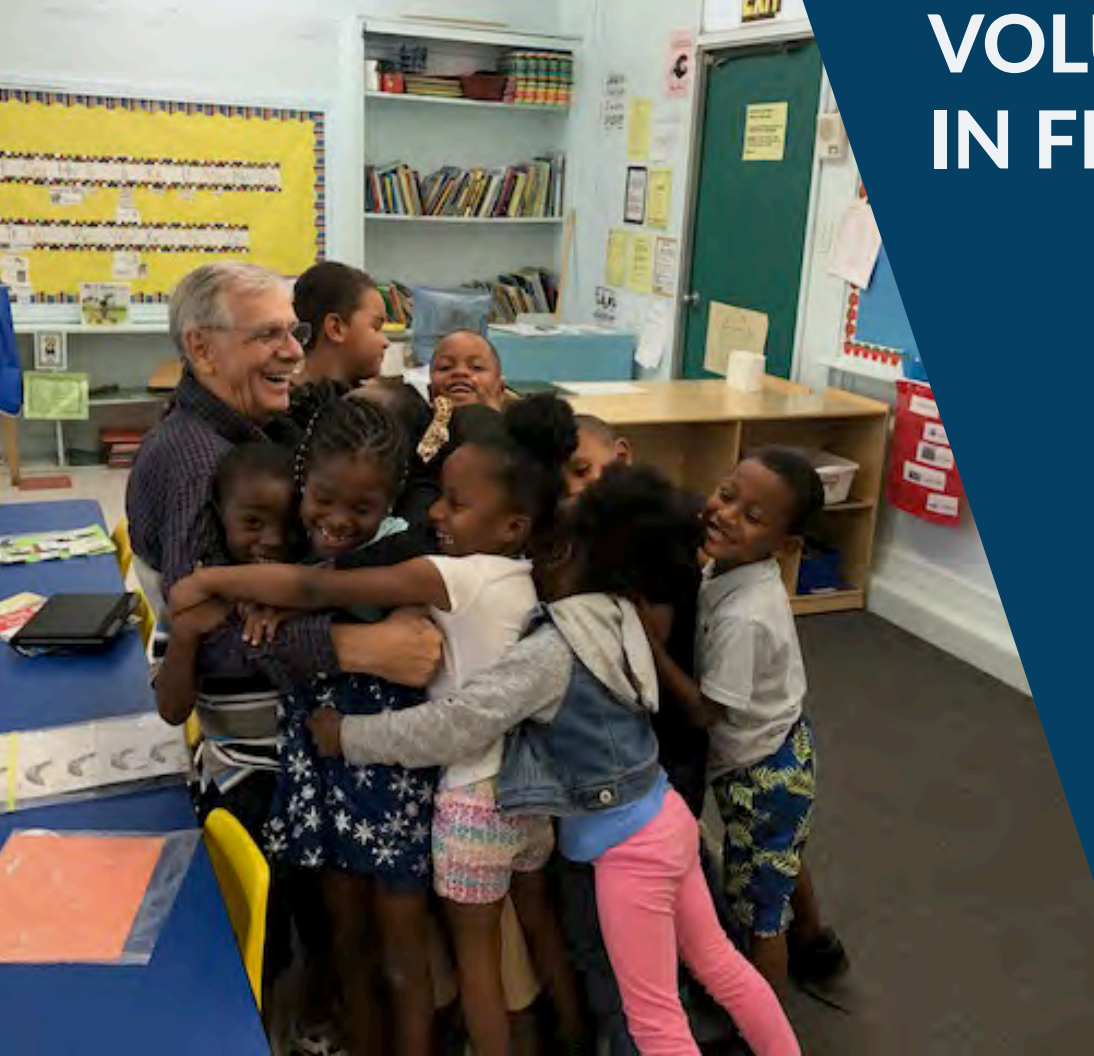


41,877
HOURS OF SERVICE



1,228
HAZARDOUS TREES
REMOVED





PROMOTING VOLUNTEERISM IN FLORIDA



PROMOTING VOLUNTEERISM IN FLORIDA

Volunteer Florida works to build the capacity of non-profits to enlist and manage volunteers and also promotes volunteerism as an effective way to meet community needs in Florida. Efforts include volunteer management training opportunities and resources for non-profits and public agencies, as well as grants administration to help rural communities mobilize volunteers in education.



Florida Volunteer Month: #VF30in30

Every year, millions of Floridians strengthen their communities by engaging in volunteer work. During April, which is known as Florida Volunteer Month, Volunteer Florida promoted the power and value of volunteerism by featuring outstanding individuals across the state who are deeply committed to service. The #VF30in30 initiative showcased one of these individuals each day on social media, sharing their motivations and community impact.



RURAL COMMUNITY ASSETS FUND

Volunteer Florida is proud to administer the Rural Community Asset Fund (RCAF) in partnership with the Florida Department of Education. This grant, which was launched in 2016, provided \$80,000 to grantees in Florida's rural communities last year. Grantees use RCAF funding to recruit, equip and mobilize volunteers in eligible rural areas across the state to serve at-risk students. With funding from the RCAF grant, non-profits can more effectively help students with reading comprehension and literacy in addition to graduation coaching and career planning.

In 2018,
Volunteer Florida
distributed
\$80,000
in grant funding

to
8 RCAF grantees

whose
514 volunteers
served more than
8,400 hours.



Volunteer Florida's 2017-2018 Rural Community Assets Fund grantees are as follows:

- ▶ Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Big Bend, Inc.
- ▶ Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast, Inc.
- ▶ Boys & Girls Club of North Central Florida
- ▶ Economic Opportunities Council of Indian River, Inc.
- ▶ Franklin's Promise Coalition
- ▶ Indian River State College Foundation
- ▶ Junior Achievement of North Florida, Inc.
- ▶ Monticello Opera House



ANGELA DAVIS-GREEN

Executive Director, Economic Opportunities Council of Indian River County, Inc.

"The Economic Opportunities Council of Indian River County, Inc. is very appreciative of the funding received from RCAF. As a result of the funding, we were able to expand our volunteer base who assisted with many projects agency wide. RCAF allowed us to show appreciation to our volunteers through volunteer recognition events and training at our annual agency retreat."



#SUITSFORSESSION

In March, elected officials, legislative staff and members of the private sector participated in #SuitsForSession by donating new or gently-used professional attire at the Capitol. Following #SuitsForSession collection, Volunteer Florida staff and volunteers sorted the items. Recipient organizations included Chapman Partnership in Miami, Dress for Success Tampa Bay, ECHO Outreach Ministries in Tallahassee, Bridges of America and the Florida State University Unconquered Scholars program. In total, this service project resulted in the collection of over 3,900 items of professional attire and has benefitted job-seekers statewide.



#SUITSFORSESSION SUCCESS STORY: ECHO MINISTRIES

Following #SuitsForSession, Volunteer Florida donated professional attire to service organizations across the State of Florida, including ECHO Outreach Ministries in Tallahassee. The organization serves Florida's Big Bend area by providing a centralized location to help individuals and families experiencing poverty and hardship.

Clients receive emergency resources like food, clothing, medical supplies, housewares, hygiene products and school supplies. Case managers meet privately with individuals and assist them with applications for government benefits and plans for progress towards self-sufficiency.

ECHO also supports client goals to secure employment, and appropriate professional attire is a critical piece for clients searching for work opportunities.



“ECHO provided me with business dress attire and a connection to CareerSource Capital Region to help with my job search. As a result, I gained employment, finished the Forward March Program and also got accepted to Tallahassee Community College. Having the proper clothing gave me the confidence I needed to put my best foot forward. ECHO not only provided clothing, but they continue to walk alongside me through Case Management as I work on getting ahead.”

- Janaya Rivas, ECHO client

FREDDY BRANHAM

Executive Director, ECHO Outreach Ministries

“Because of Volunteer Florida’s #SuitsforSession project, we have been able to provide much-needed professional clothing resources directly to the hard-working households we serve locally. Volunteer Florida’s project continues to help us positively impact family sustainability and economic mobility for even more people.”







VOLUNTEER FLORIDA FOUNDATION





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The Volunteer Florida Foundation is Volunteer Florida's direct support organization, providing funds to administer high-impact national service programs and promote volunteerism throughout the state, while managing the Florida Disaster Fund - Florida's official fund to assist communities with disaster response and recovery. The Foundation is also responsible for the Governor's special initiatives, including the Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month celebrations, as well as the Champion of Service Award and other awards that honor Florida's outstanding educators, health care professionals and veterans.

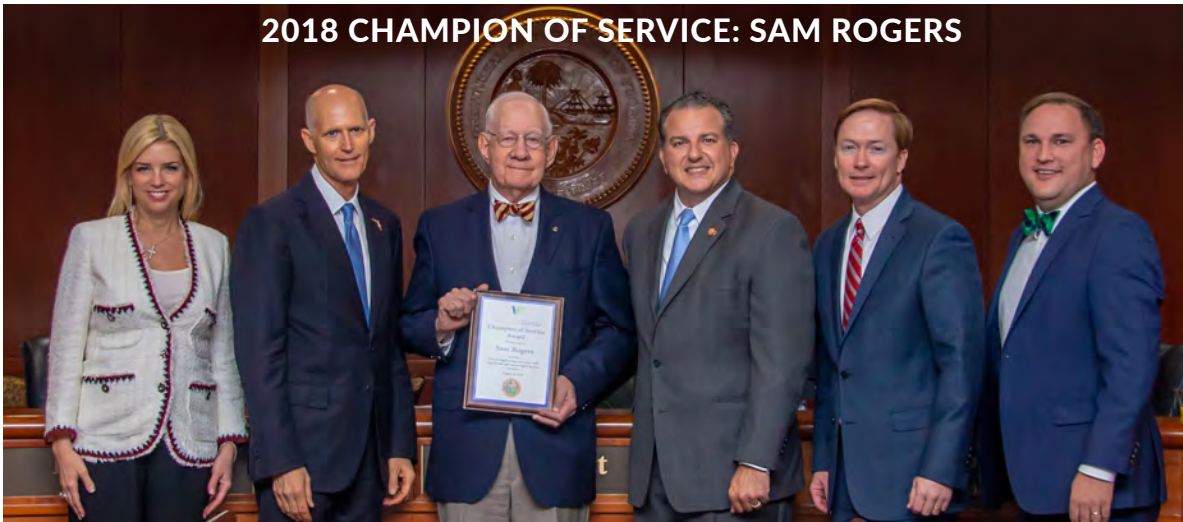
FLORIDA GUBERNATORIAL **FELLOWS PROGRAM**

The Volunteer Florida Foundation also funds the Florida Gubernatorial Fellows Program, which educates and cultivates Florida's future leaders. This non-partisan program immerses students from public and private universities in key areas of state government. During their nine-month tenure in Tallahassee, Fellows receive advanced on-the-job training.



CHAMPION OF SERVICE AWARD

The Champion of Service Award was established in 2013 by Volunteer Florida to honor individuals and groups for their exceptional volunteerism and dedication to community service. This award is frequently presented by Volunteer Florida and Governor Scott during Florida Cabinet meetings.



“Florida’s future is dependent on our children. Their sense of civic responsibility begins to develop in the classroom, and in addition to dedicated teachers, volunteers are critical to promoting that development. It’s thrilling to know that I have played even a small part in the education of a youngster!” – Sam Rogers

Sam Rogers was presented with the Champion of Service Award at the August 2018 meeting of the Florida Cabinet. Since his retirement, Sam has contributed countless hours to several deserving projects and causes throughout Tallahassee.

In 1999, Sam was instrumental in establishing a partnership between his church, Trinity United Methodist Church, and Kate Sullivan Elementary School, encouraging the congregation to serve as mentors to students. For the last 19 years, Sam has mentored two first-grade students every year. He helps them develop their reading skills and comprehension and engages them in fun activities that allow them to learn about the arts and different countries and cultures. Additionally, when he returns from a trip, he presents the pictures to the class and provides a souvenir for each student.

Through the Big Bend Homeless Coalition, Sam has also been an active volunteer at the HOPE Community, a residential facility offering support services for single women and families. Soon after becoming involved, he recruited other members of his church to help renovate the facility, including 15 dorm rooms, nine bathrooms and a laundry room. Sam is an invaluable asset to the local community and a true Champion of Service.





GOVERNOR'S AWARDS

In addition to the Champion of Service Award, the Volunteer Florida Foundation raises funds to support awards honoring Florida's outstanding educators, nurses, veterans and other professionals. These include the Governor's Shine Award, Excellence in Nursing Award, Veterans' Service Award and Young Entrepreneur Award, among others.



GOVERNOR'S VETERANS
SERVICE AWARD



GOVERNOR'S
MEDAL OF FREEDOM



GOVERNOR'S
MEDAL OF HEROISM



GOVERNOR'S
MEDAL OF VALOR



GOVERNOR'S EXCELLENCE
IN SERVICE AWARD



YOUNG ENTREPRENEUR
AWARD



GOVERNOR'S
SHINE AWARD



GOVERNOR'S EXCELLENCE
IN NURSING AWARD



BLACK HISTORY MONTH & HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Black History Month (February) and Hispanic Heritage Month (September 15 - October 15) present opportunities to celebrate the rich history and vibrant culture of Florida's African American and Hispanic communities, while also recognizing the significant impact that they have had throughout the state.

Florida commemorates Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month with receptions at the Governor's Mansion. During these events, the Governor and special guests present awards to students who won statewide essay and art contests. Exceptional educators, nominated by their peers or students, are presented with awards as well.



FINANCIAL SHEET

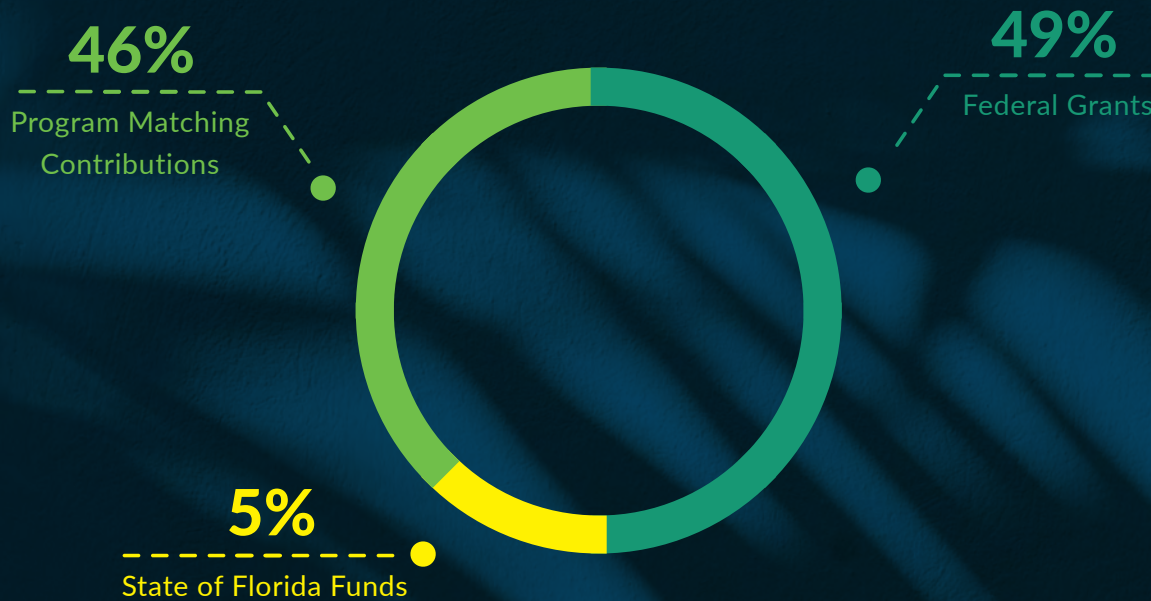
**FLORIDA COMMISSION ON COMMUNITY SERVICE
STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES,
AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE -
GOVERNMENTAL FUND
Year Ended June 30, 2018**

	<u>Special Revenue Fund</u>
REVENUES	
Federal grants	\$ 11,466,302
Program matching contributions	10,883,852
State of Florida funds	<u>1,276,453</u>
TOTAL REVENUES	23,626,607
EXPENDITURES	
Current:	
Volunteer program services:	
Sub-grantee transfers	10,083,195
Program matching expenditures	10,883,852
Personnel services	1,779,714
Operating expenses	<u>998,037</u>
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	<u>23,744,798</u>
NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUND	(118,191)
FUND BALANCE, BEGINNING OF YEAR	<u>476,797</u>
FUND BALANCE, END OF YEAR	\$ <u><u>358,606</u></u>

*Company-prepared financials

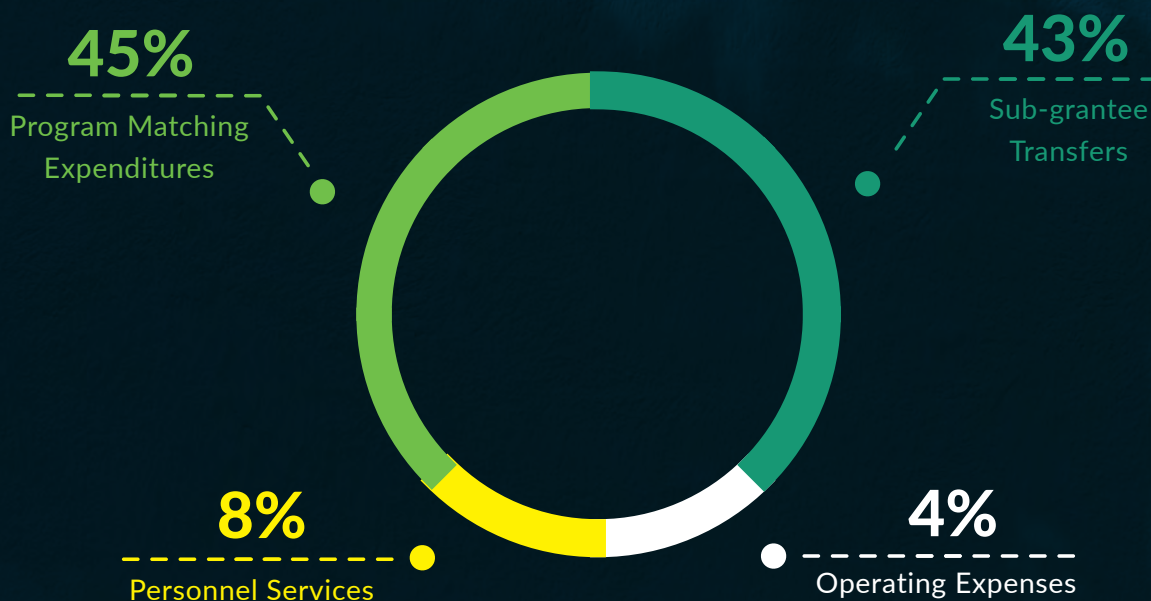
REVENUES (2017-2018)

\$23,626,607



EXPENDITURES (2017-2018)

\$23,744,798





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