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# 2022 ANNUAL REPORT

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Friends and Partners,

We are pleased to present Volunteer Florida's 2022 Annual Report. Volunteer Florida reflects on another successful year of strengthening Florida's local communities through our work in national service, emergency management, and volunteerism.

During the year, Volunteer Florida maintained its high commitment to serving Florida's communities. Volunteer Florida had 37 AmeriCorps programs serving in 35 counties during the 2021-2022 program year. Volunteer Florida's Volunteer Generation Fund program had 24 Florida non-profits who spent the grant year recruiting skills-based volunteers to serve Florida communities. Our Emergency Management department awarded 19 Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) grants.

Volunteer Florida hosted the seventh annual "Suits for Session" service project with our partner, Simply Healthcare. The 5,144 items of professional clothing and accessories collected were donated to organizations dedicated to supporting job-seekers in Florida striving to enter or re-enter the workforce.

Volunteer Florida offered a six-week, 11-course Grant Writing Certification Program to better prepare Florida non-profit organizations for the grant application process and to increase their likelihood of selection for the different grant opportunities we offer throughout the year.

Volunteer Florida's Foundation organized a three-day Healthy Minds Summit sponsored by Sunshine Health for Florida middle and high school student leaders, which provided resources to our participants to learn about leadership skills, deepen peer relationships, and find innovative ways to help address the issues impacting our youth.

Through the Florida Disaster Fund, the Volunteer Florida Foundation has collected over \$60 million in donations to support community partners engaged in long-term recovery efforts in the areas affected by Hurricane Ian.

In October, the second annual virtual Volunteer Leadership Convening Series hosted by Volunteer Florida at no cost provided essential insights to equip Florida's volunteer engagement leaders as they expand the impact of service in communities statewide.

Volunteer Florida announced a research study conducted on the Nature of Volunteerism. Researchers at the University of Florida worked with Volunteer Florida to develop, implement, and analyze a scientific, quantitative survey of a random sample of Florida residents about the nature of volunteerism in Florida. The overview report and full study are available for download on our website.

In partnership with First Lady Casey DeSantis and the Florida Department of Education, Volunteer Florida helped to establish 100 Hope Ambassadors Clubs in 39 school districts. Through these clubs, middle and high school students can volunteer, mentor their peers, and help foster kind and compassionate environments. Each participating school received \$500 to develop and launch a Hope Ambassadors Club.

Our agency would not be able to #ServeFL without the strong support of Governor and First Lady DeSantis, our partners in the Florida Legislature, as well as Volunteer Florida's Commissioners, Foundation Directors, staff, sponsors, and partners who continue to fortify our efforts to serve Florida's communities.

Yours in Service,

John Davis  
Commission Chair

Josefina Tamayo  
Chief Executive Officer



JOHN DAVIS

Volunteer Florida Commission Chair



JOSEFINA TAMAYO

Chief Executive Officer



***In 2022, Volunteer Florida secured over \$25 million in federal, state and local funding to deliver high-impact national service and volunteer programs in Florida.***

***Every dollar invested by the State of Florida is leveraged to secure \$19 in non-state funding.***



# AMERICORPS FLORIDA



**AmeriCorps  
Florida**

- In 2022, Volunteer Florida administered 37 AmeriCorps programs made up of 1,612 AmeriCorps members who provided 1.24 million hours of service, valued at \$34.3 million dollars.
- These AmeriCorps members served 48,468 Florida students in 265 Florida schools across 35 Florida counties.
- AmeriCorps members were eligible to receive \$7.4 million in college scholarships upon completion of their year of service.
- In addition, AmeriCorps members leveraged an additional 2,742 volunteers who served alongside national service programs for an additional 26,882 hours valued at \$744,093.

## Literacy Alliance of Northeast Florida | Rising Star Award Winner

- This unique literacy program is Volunteer Florida's only program to focus solely on providing services to adults with low literacy, whose first language is English, an often overlooked population.
- During the 2021-2022 program year, this program provided 417 individuals with adult basic and secondary education services. Over 210 of individuals served experienced gains in job readiness. In addition, the program recruited 85 volunteers to serve over 3000 hours providing additional literacy support.
- Members helped create new small group tutoring sessions, study halls, GED classes, and weekly workshops on digital literacy and job coaching. As a result, the organization was able to surpass pre-pandemic enrollment numbers thus marking a successful rebound.



*"Before I started going to the Literacy Alliance, I stayed in the house all of the time. Now, my reading has improved a lot. I know how to read the bus schedule, and I can read signs now. This has freed me to travel all over the city! I have direction in my life now. Recently, I wanted to find a new job. I interviewed, took a test, passed the test, and got the job! I will be working security at city offices around town. Greeting people and helping people is perfect for me." -- Lynette, Literacy Alliance Student*

Broward College Peer Mentoring AmeriCorps members serve low income, first generation, first time in college, minority students and students facing barriers to their success in post secondary education with a nationally established, evidence based PeerForward mentoring program. Members give college students the resources they need to be successful in college including academic support, navigation of resources and goal setting strategies. Members are also college students who receive mentoring and leadership development through intentional training and service year support.



During 2021-2022, the program of the year has:

- Mentored 515 students in college completion and financial literacy topics.
- Helped 229 Broward College students to earn a technical certificate or post-secondary degree.
- Supported Broward College's Seahawk Pantry, providing food and hygiene assistance to over 500 households.
- Most impressively, serving as an AmeriCorps member also meant that members were more likely to complete their own college coursework. Since the program's launch in 2019, more than 100 of the 130 members serving have finished their course of study within three years.

*"We are grateful to our partners AmeriCorps and PeerForward for their collaboration and funding of the Broward College Peer Mentoring program. Together, we have ensured students achieve their academic dreams. The Peer Mentoring program has demonstrated the power of connection in enhancing a student's sense of belonging and overall college experience. It removes barriers to success by creating a safe space for student success modeling, mentorship, and personal and professional development, all in a community of support and resource sharing."*

*-- Gregory Adam Haile, J.D. , President, Broward College*



# VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND

- In 2022, Volunteer Florida's 13,818 skills-based Volunteer Generation Fund (VGF) volunteers provided 250,412 hours of service in Florida. A value of \$6,931,404.
- VGF grantees recruited 2,638 skills-based volunteers which increased economic opportunity for communities by preparing people for the workforce.
- VGF grantees recruited 1,573 skills-based volunteers to serve rural communities with limited resources.

VGF programs engaged volunteers in diverse volunteerism activities including the following:

- **RCMA** volunteers partnered with local community organizations to distribute \$100k in gift card assistance to families recovering from Hurricane Ian.
- **Florida Veterans Foundation** volunteers provided 164 service workshops to 5,123 veterans throughout the state of Florida.
- **Lakeland Volunteers in Medicine** utilizes the volunteer services of medical professionals. Volunteer pharmacists filled 6,824 prescriptions.
- **Volunteers In Service To The Elderly (VISTE)** provided over 14,400 grocery baskets of items to clients.
- **Junior Achievement of The Palm Beaches and Treasure Coast** engaged 1,667 skills-based volunteers who provided Junior Achievement's financial literacy, workforce readiness, and entrepreneurship programs to 71,000 students in Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River, and Hendry counties.



## Volunteer Generation Fund Impact Study

Volunteer Florida completed a three-year Impact Study, representing the 2014-2021 grant years, to understand how VGF resources supported skills-based volunteer programs. The evaluation represented 88 organizations and 147 subgrantees. Some of the findings include:

- At least 40% of the subgrantees reported an improvement in each volunteer management practice with only a few exceptions. The volunteer management practices under consideration were 1) Market Research and Community Needs Assessment, 2) Strategic Planning to Maximize Volunteer Impact, 3) Recruiting and Marketing to Prospective Volunteers, 4) Interviewing, Screening and Selecting Volunteers, 5) Orienting and Training Volunteers, 6) Ongoing Supervision and Management, 7) Recognition and Volunteer Development, and 8) Measuring Outcomes and Evaluating the Volunteer Process.
- The three practices with the greatest number of subgrantees reporting improvement were as follows: Market Research and Community Needs Assessment (65%), Strategic Planning to Maximize Volunteer Impact (63%), Measuring Outcomes and Evaluating the Volunteer Process (62%).
- Of the 88 organizations funded, 52 (59%) received one year of funding, training, and support, 13 (15%) received two VGF subgrants and 23 (26%) received the maximum three VGF subgrants.
- Ten of the eleven subgrantees that received three years of funding showed positive change in all eight volunteer management practices.

# 2021-2022 AMERICORPS AND VOLUNTEER GENERATION FUND GRANTEES



## Alachua

Neighborhood Housing Services

## Bay

Goodwill Industries of the Big Bend

## Brevard

Senior Resource Alliance

## Broward

Broward College  
 Broward College Unlimited Potential  
 Firewall Centers  
 Hispanic Unity of Florida  
 Neighborhood Housing Services  
 SAGA Education  
 School Board of Broward County  
 Sawgrass Nature Center and Wildlife Hospital

## Collier

Earn to Learn of Florida  
 United Way of Collier County and the Keys  
 RMCA

## Desoto

Arcadia-Desoto County Habitat For Humanity

## Duval

City Year Jacksonville  
 Communities in Schools of Jacksonville  
 Literacy Alliance of Northeast Florida  
 Teach For America Jacksonville  
 The Arc Jacksonville  
 University of North Florida  
 Genesis Health Foundation  
 Jacksonville Humane Society  
 Operation New Uniform

## Glades

Earn to Learn of Florida

## Hardee

Neighborhood Housing Services

## Hendry

Earn to Learn of Florida

## Hillsborough

Earn to Learn of Florida  
 Metropolitan Ministries  
 Seniors in Service of Tampa Bay

## Indian River

Big Brother Big Sisters of St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties

## Jackson

Habitat for Humanity International

## Lafayette

Boys and Girls Club of North Central Florida

## Lee

Earn to Learn of Florida

## Leon

Goodwill Industries of the Big Bend  
 Big Bend Hospice Foundation  
 Florida Veterans Foundation  
 Girls on The Run Panhandle  
 Kids Incorporated of The Big Bend

## Martin

Boys & Girls Club of Martin County  
 House of Hope

## Miami-Dade

Branches  
 Breakthrough Miami  
 Breakthrough Miami - Summer Institute  
 Catholic Volunteers in Florida  
 Centro Campesino  
 City Year Miami  
 MCCJ  
 Neighborhood Housing Services  
 Overtown Youth Center  
 Peacemakers Family Center  
 Teach for America Miami

## Okaloosa

Northwest Florida State College

## Okeechobee

Big Brother Big Sisters of St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties

## Orange

City of Orlando - Operation AmeriCorps  
 City Year Orlando  
 Senior Resource Alliance

## Osceola

Senior Resource Alliance  
 The Hope Center

## Palm Beach

Arc Palm Beach County  
 Boys & Girls Club of Palm Beach County  
 Literacy Coalition of Palm Beach County  
 Junior Achievement of the Palm Beaches & Treasure Coast  
 Scholar Career Coaching

## Pasco

Metropolitan Ministries

## Pinellas

Metropolitan Ministries  
 Earn to Learn of Florida

## Polk

Polk Education Foundation  
 Boys and Girls Club of Polk County  
 Lakeland Volunteers in Medicine  
 Volunteers in Service to the Elderly

## Sarasota

Earn to Learn of Florida  
 Children First  
 The Literacy Council of Sarasota

## Seminole

Senior Resource Alliance  
 The Sharing Center

## St. Lucie

Big Brother Big Sisters of St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties

## Taylor

Boys and Girls Club of North Central Florida

## Wakulla

Gulf Specimen Marine Lab

## Walton

Northwest Florida State College  
 Boys and Girls Clubs of the Emerald Coast

## Statewide

Florida Department of Environmental Protection



AmeriCorps Programs



Volunteer Generation Fund Programs

## VOLUNTEER SERVICES

In 2022, the Volunteer Services department provided key volunteer engagement capacity-building opportunities to organizations across the state, facilitated the use of Volunteer Connect for thousands of individuals and managed a variety of special projects to foster volunteerism in the Sunshine State.

Presentations and workshops were provided to a variety of audiences to promote volunteer engagement, Volunteer Florida's research study and Volunteer Connect. Speaking opportunity highlights included participation in the following:

- Governor's Hurricane Conference
- United Way of Palm Beach County Disaster Cycle Series
- Florida Civic Advance First Friday Series
- Special Olympics Unified Champion Schools Youth Summit
- American Red Cross of Central Florida and US Virgin Islands Gathering

## VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT LEADERSHIP CONVENING

**VIRTUAL**

### VOLUNTEER ENGAGEMENT LEADERSHIP CONVENING

**Guiding Concepts, Actionable Ideas**

**OCTOBER 31 –  
NOVEMBER 3, 2022**



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In October, Volunteer Florida hosted its second large-scale convening to equip Florida's volunteer engagement leaders as they expand the impact of service in communities. The event included twelve insightful sessions and Diane O'Dell, Vice President of Community & Diversity Relations and Executive Director of the Foundation, provided the keynote address. Almost 300 individuals registered for the convening. Session highlights included:

- Mutually Beneficial Partnerships: Mission-Driven Volunteerism and Private Sector Engagement
- Recruiting Your Ideal Volunteer with Smarter Strategy
- Successful Volunteer Efforts in Florida's Rural Regions
- The Power and Benefits of Youth Service
- Context and Preparation - Effectively Mobilizing Volunteers in Disaster Relief



# SERVICE ENTERPRISE

Service Enterprise is a national, research-based program model providing assessment, training and coaching opportunities so that organizations can fundamentally and strategically leverage volunteers to better achieve their social missions. In 2021, Volunteer Florida became a Service Enterprise Hub and in the spring of 2022 selected its first cohort of 5 organizations:

- Seniors in Service of Tampa Bay, Tampa
- United Way Emerald Coast, Fort Walton Beach
- Lakeland Volunteers in Medicine, Lakeland
- Breakthrough Miami, Miami
- Star of the Sea Foundation, Key West



Training is complete and leaders have begun receiving coaching. Organizations will apply for a 3-year Service Enterprise certification in the spring of 2023.

# SUITS FOR SESSION

Suits for Session, Volunteer Florida's signature service project, resulted in the collection of more than 5,000 items of professional attire for job-seekers in need in February. The service project included twenty-two state agency donation drives and simultaneous day-long events on February 23rd - a curbside drop off location outside Tallahassee City Hall and the project's hallmark event inside the Florida Capitol. A special thank you to Simply Healthcare and Two Men and a Truck for their support.

Recipient Organizations:

- Bridges International
- AMIKids Panama City Marine Institute
- CareerSource Gulf Coast



Since 2016,  
**Suits For Session**  
has donated

more than  
**27,000**  
items of clothing

to  
**job-seekers in need**  
across Florida.

# VOLUNTEER CONNECT

The state's official volunteer opportunities platform, Volunteer Connect, served as a streamlined hub for service across the state:

- Registered nonprofit and government organizations now number 720. Of those, 151 organizations registered during 2022
- Registered organizations represent 58 of Florida's 67 counties
- More than 400 volunteer opportunities were available to volunteers during the year

## Volunteer Connect: Hurricane Ian

Hurricane Ian made landfall on September 28 and individuals across the nation immediately desired to provide disaster relief to individuals in affected areas. Key government and nonprofit partners posted opportunities and routed potential volunteers to Volunteer Connect as an effective way to meet disaster relief needs through service.

During October and November 2022, more than 3,300 unique individuals connected to organizations serving the area affected by Hurricane Ian. Dozens of organizations posted service opportunities, including:

- American Red Cross chapters
- Children's Home Society of Florida
- Operation BBQ Relief
- Department of Elder Affairs
- Boys & Girls Club of Lee County
- Charlotte Community Foundation
- Sarasota Volunteer Reception Center

### Hurricane Ian Volunteer Opportunities

<p><b>Hurricane Ian- Relief Volunteers Needed</b></p> <p>Patriot Emergency Response Team Inc has been deployed since 9/28/22 in Hurricane Ian affected communities. We are in need o...</p> <p>Fort Myers Beach, FL 12/13/22 7:00 AM <a href="#">More</a></p>	<p><b>Volunteer with Samaritan's Purse</b></p> <p>Serve with Samaritan's Purse to assist homeowners affected by Hurricane Ian. Volunteers will help in Jesus' Name with...</p> <p>Englewood, FL 12/13/22 7:30 AM <a href="#">More</a></p>	<p><b>Administrative Support</b></p> <p>Minority Builders Coalition, Inc. (MBC) is a 501 c (3) Non-Profit Organization. We administer Housing Program. We are seekin...</p> <p>Plantation, FL 12/13/22 9:00 AM <a href="#">More</a></p>
<p><b>It's the Most Wonderful Time of the Year...</b></p> <p>to help those in need. Click here to volunteer for the Red Cross To find out how you can use your skills to help our communities, join...</p> <p>Virtual (Virtual) 12/14/22 5:30 PM</p>	<p><b>Sheriff's Office Citizen Observer Patrol</b></p> <p>Rick Staly, Sheriff FLAGLER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE "An honor to serve, a duty to protect." ...</p> <p>Palm Coast, FL Ongoing</p>	<p><b>Administrative assistance needed for several non-profit...</b></p> <p>Administrative assistance is needed for several non-profit organizations within Highlands County (Avon Park and Sebring)...</p> <p>Avon Park, FL Ongoing</p>
<p><b>Recovery Team (Caseworker) - Polk County</b></p> <p>Disasters can be large or small but to the families they are traumatic events. You can help families on their road to recovery by...</p> <p>Bartow, FL Ongoing</p>	<p><b>Emergency Disaster Services Volunteer</b></p> <p>Emergency Disaster Assistants serve on call and respond only as needed for short periods of time. EDA's play a role in all...</p> <p>Jacksonville, FL Ongoing</p>	<p><b>Reserve Deputy Sheriff</b></p> <p>Reserve Deputy Sheriff Are you a retired or former law enforcement officer? Does the prospect of patrolling along the Atlantic...</p> <p>Ongoing</p>

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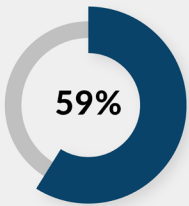
# VOLUNTEER FLORIDA RESEARCH SURVEY: THE NATURE OF VOLUNTEERISM IN FLORIDA

In the Fall of 2022, Volunteer Florida commissioned researchers at the University of Florida to pioneer a scientific quantitative survey of Florida residents about the nature of volunteerism. The survey revealed findings and objectives, offering stakeholders essential information about motivations and barriers associated with volunteering, formal and informal volunteering frequency, types of volunteer activities, and other important service indicators. The overview report and full study are available for download on our website.

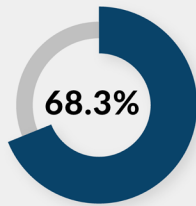


A few of the key findings are below:

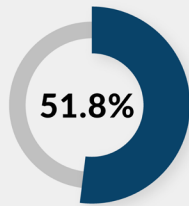
## Floridians are invested in the well-being of neighbors and others in their communities.



help their neighbors at least once a month



help individuals during a typical year

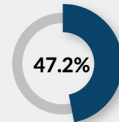


volunteer weekly for at least a quarter of the year or more

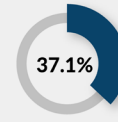


## Floridians are also committed to supporting the critical missions of non-profits and government entities across the state.

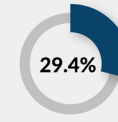
### Where do Floridians volunteer?



religious organizations



social or community service organizations



educational or youth service organizations



civic, political, professional, or international organizations

### Of those who volunteer...



Collect, prepare, distribute or serve food



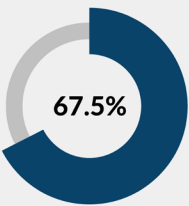
Provide professional management assistance (including serving on a board or in committees)



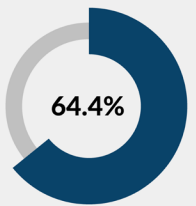
Fundraise or sell items to raise money



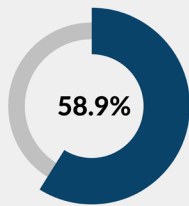
## Floridians volunteer for a variety of reasons.



volunteer because it enriches their life or brings them joy



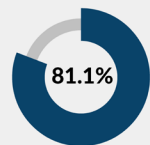
volunteer to contribute to the community



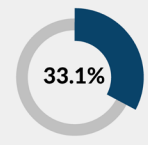
volunteer to help a cause they personally believe in



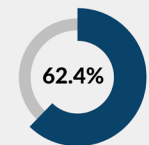
## Floridians want to volunteer, but are often constrained by limited free time. Employers can transform that desire into action by offering programs, policies, or paid time off to encourage volunteerism.



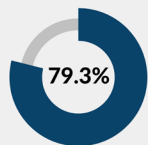
of those who have volunteered are very likely to volunteer again



state not enough free time as a barrier to volunteering



of employers did not have programs/policies to encourage volunteering



of employers did not offer paid time off for volunteering



## EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

- Volunteer Florida conducts three trainings per quarter. Post COVID we have seen an increase in demand for management of Volunteers and Donations in Times of Disaster. We conducted 14 trainings across the state and facilitated a Volunteer Reception Center Exercises.
- Emergency Management Staff presented at 4 conferences, leading 9 workshops.
- Emergency Management Staff also held the 2022 Volunteer Florida Emergency Management/ESF15 Convening. After a one-year hiatus due to COVID-19, Volunteer Florida was able to bring together county, state, federal, nonprofit and private partners to showcase their collaboration and partnership. 100+ individuals representing more than 50 organizations participated in our 5th convening hosted in Orlando.



## COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAMS (CERT)

CERT trains Floridians in basic disaster response skills so they can provide critical support in their local communities by giving immediate assistance to victims before emergency first responders arrive on scene.

- In 2022, Volunteer Florida awarded 19 Community Emergency Response Team grants, totaling \$140,000.
- Emergency Management Team continued to work and expand the CERT program throughout the state and continuously being recognized as a national standard.
- Assisted organizations such as FEMA, California Office of Emergency Services (OEM), and Seventh Day Adventist Community Services (ACS) on a new CERT Donations training module.



Immediately following Hurricane Ian, **University of South Florida CERT** helped run a special needs and pet-friendly shelter while **Osceola CERT** provided both logistics and shelter support. **East Lake CERT** assisted with water search and rescue, water evacuation and transport as well as bottled water distribution, health and wellness checks and basic first aid. **Cape Coral CERT** helped staff the Emergency Information Center (EIC), and delivered sleeping cots and roughly 1,000 meals per day to first responders.

**Charlotte County CERT** helped staff a call center before, during and after the storm, fielding over 19,000 calls. Members also operated amateur radio stations at hospitals and shelters when regular communication systems were downed by the storm. **Florida Region 1 CERT** provided security patrols and managed food distribution points that helped feed over 6,800 Arcadia residents. **Ft. Lauderdale CERT** staffed a mobile kitchen and sorted, inventoried, and distributed goods to assist those most in need.

During Hurricane Ian,  
**Florida CERT Teams**

served more than  
**5,553 hours**

a value of more than  
**\$153,707**

## DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY

- On September 28, 2022 **Hurricane Ian** made landfall into Southwest Florida just shy of a Category 5 Hurricane. As our primary mission is to be ready to activate and support the state during any crisis or emergency, Volunteer Florida Emergency Management staff deployed to the State Emergency Operations Center as lead of Emergency Support Function 15, Volunteers and Donations.
- Deployed to the FEMA/State Joint Field Office (JFO) to support Hurricane Ian Recovery efforts.



- On November 10, 2022 **Hurricane Nicole** made landfall as a Category 1 Hurricane on the Treasure Coast. Volunteer Florida Emergency Management Staff were recalled to the State Emergency Operations Center to support the first Hurricane to hit the United States in November since 1985.
- Volunteer Florida sent a State Voluntary Agency Liaison (VAL) through the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) request following a **historic flooding event in Kentucky**.
- Supported VOAD partners in response efforts following the **tornadoes in Lee and Charlotte counties** in January and **Wildfires in Bay, Calhoun and Gulf counties** in March.

## FLORIDA DISASTER FUND GRANTS

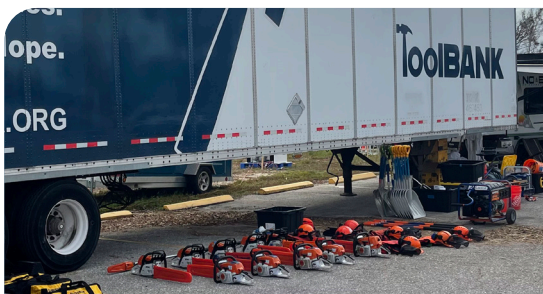
- Volunteer Florida managed Florida Disaster Fund Grants for three unique disasters: Hurricane Irma, Hurricane Michael and Surfside Building Collapse.
- Volunteer Florida executed Rounds 9 and 10 Recovery Funding for Hurricanes Irma and Michael.
- **Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Miami** provided 10 fully handicap-accessible apartments for chronically homeless disabled individuals affected by Hurricane Irma, with three units designated for disabled veteran individuals.
- **Rebuilding Together Tampa Bay** rebuilt Irma-impacted homes including repair or replacement of roofs, soffit, fascia, and drywall.
- **SBP** rebuilt homes for 38 Hurricane Michael affected individuals from vulnerable groups including veterans, the elderly, persons with disabilities, homeowners of color, families with small children and the uninsured.
- **A Hand Up International Global Outreach Ministries** helped Hurricane Michael affected families that are living paycheck to paycheck with unmet needs including rent and mortgage assistance, delinquent utility assistance, relocation expenses, nutritional food items, medication and medical services as well as other basic needs.
- **The Florida Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists** provided warehousing assistance and donation-management staffing for donation warehouses serving those affected by the Surfside Building Collapse.

## FLORIDA DISASTER FUND: HURRICANE IAN RESPONSE



*"Operation BBQ Relief volunteers prepped, cooked and served close to a million meals in the 38 days deployed for Hurricane Ian effort. Both in-kind and monetary donations made these herculean efforts possible. Additionally, having the expert insight and guidance from partners at the SEOC and Volunteer Florida, amplified our efforts to make for a bigger impact. If 865K meals weren't enough, our volunteers returned to Port Charlotte and Sanibel last week to distribute a couple thousand Thanksgiving meals."*

*-- Dana Reed, Head of Government Relations, Operation BBQ Relief*



*"Thank you to Volunteer Florida for the fantastic generosity and support; they have enabled ToolBANK USA to deploy the greatest number of tools to any recent disaster. We were able to hire a local Hurricane Survivor to aid our team with tool distribution. The support broadened our reach and helped impact a larger group of people."*

*-- Bill Hess, Disaster Services Director, ToolBank USA*



*"Funding support is crucial to fuel our operation in Florida to assist homeowners impacted by Hurricane Ian. Our Grey shirt volunteers are able to stay in the community through the response phase, into recovery, assisting residents by clearing debris from their homes, tarping roofs, and removing fallen trees. We remain committed to these communities. Thank you to Volunteer Florida and supporters of the Florida Disaster Fund."*

*-- Jeff Byard, Vice President of Operations, Team Rubicon*

# SPECIAL THANKS TO FLORIDA DISASTER FUND DONORS

The Florida Disaster Fund is the State of Florida's official private fund established to assist Florida's communities as they respond to and recover during times of emergency or disaster. With Governor and First Lady DeSantis's help, it has raised over \$60 million in donations to help with recovery in communities impacted by Hurricane Ian.

The list below represents donors who have given \$20,000 or more to the Fund. A special thank you to all the businesses, organizations and individuals who donated. You are instrumental in getting Floridians back on their feet.

ABC Liquor	\$25,000	Deanna Magdich	\$20,000	Liberty Dental Plan	\$25,000	Shahzad and Betty Mossanen	\$50,000
Abundant Life Ministries	\$25,000	Deloitte	\$100,000	Lincare	\$23,980	Simply Healthcare Plans	\$500,000
ADS Foundation	\$25,000	Delta Dental	\$150,000	LIV Golf	\$833,000	Siri & Brandon Rawson and Rebekka Geldbart	\$30,000
Aileen S. Andrew Foundation	\$20,000	DentaQuest, LLC	\$500,000	Lou Bachrodt	\$100,000	Southeastern Credit Union Foundation	\$25,000
Allied Solutions, LLC.	\$25,000	Devos Family Foundation	\$250,000	Lucy Gooding Charitable Foundation	\$100,000	Southwest Airlines	\$50,000
Alvin L. Glick Foundation, Inc.	\$100,000	Dola Hamilton Stemfort	\$50,000	Mallory Blackburn	\$25,000	Sprouts HC Foundation	\$100,000
Amazon	\$1,000,000	DOW Technologies	\$28,162	Marathon Community Investment Programs	\$25,000	Stephen G. Blume	\$25,000
American Bankers Association	\$178,780	Dr. Ravi Chandra	\$25,000	Margaret M. Ruffalo	\$24,875	Stephen Locke	\$50,000
American Endowment Fund	\$100,000	DSF Charitable Foundation	\$100,000	Margaritaville Holdings	\$20,000	Still Unbroken, Inc.	\$100,000
American Express Foundation	\$100,000	Duke Energy	\$100,000	Maria Nikolova	\$20,000	Sun Air Parts, Inc.	\$20,000
American Online Giving Foundation	\$253,167	ElijahList Ministries	\$150,000	Marianna and Edward Rabinovitch	\$25,000	Suncoast Credit Union	\$500,000
AmeriHealth Caritas Services	\$100,000	Enbridge	\$25,000	Mattamy Homes Corporation	\$231,410	Sylvia Johnson	\$20,000
Amgen Global Financial	\$50,000	Eric Scott Bottin Foundation	\$35,000	Meritage Cares Foundation	\$50,000	Syngenta	\$25,000
Anonymous Donors	\$2,710,000	Expanded Technologies Inc.	\$75,000	Metal Industries Foundation, Inc.	\$20,000	Synovus	\$100,000
Anthony and Christie Denicola	\$100,000	Expedia	\$100,000	Michael and Karen Bynum	\$25,000	T&L Longe Charitable Foundation	\$50,000
AT&T Foundation	\$200,000	FICAP	\$20,000	Mike Patterson Construction, Inc.	\$200,000	Taipei Economic & Cultural Office in Miami	\$300,000
Aurelia Papiitto Charitable Fund	\$40,000	FISERV Solutions	\$50,000	Mike Repole	\$25,000	Tampa Bay Buccaneers	\$125,000
Bank of America	\$237,000	Fleet Advantage, LLC	\$25,130	Milton G. Hulme Charitable Foundation	\$20,000	Tampa Electric Company	\$500,000
BAPS Charities	\$25,000	Florida Bankers Association	\$25,000	Miyuki Scheidel	\$20,000	TD Ameritrade	\$30,000
Baptist Health South Florida	\$100,000	Florida Business DFBDC	\$50,000	Mobile Giving Foundation	\$46,375	Ten Fingers Foundation	\$100,000
Barnhill Family Foundation	\$20,000	Florida Crystals	\$250,000	Monin, Inc.	\$40,000	Tenet Healthcare Foundation	\$25,000
Bayview Asset Management	\$100,000	Florida Family Insurance Company	\$25,000	Morgan Stanley	\$30,022	TEW Foundation	\$70,000
Benihana	\$86,147	Florida Manufacturers	\$50,000	Morse Charitable Foundation	\$20,000	The Avah H. & Wylene P. Chapman Foundation	\$20,000
Betty Joyce Dietzel	\$20,000	Forever Philadelphia	\$50,000	Mr. and Mrs. Robert Barnhill III	\$20,000	The Bansal Family Foundation	\$25,000
Blackbaud Giving Fund	\$27,657	Frank B Rosenberg	\$20,000	Narvilla Rabe	\$20,000	The Benevity Community Impact Fund	\$115,955
Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$1,000,000	Franklin Templeton	\$25,000	National Christian Foundation	\$50,000	The Berry Family Foundation	\$20,000
Boston Foundation	\$100,000	George and Lisa Etheridge	\$30,000	NEUCO Inc	\$25,000	The Boeing Company	\$750,000
Boyle, Leonard, and Anderson	\$25,000	George Warren, LLC.	\$40,000	New York Yankees	\$100,000	The Bruni Foundation	\$20,000
Braman Motors	\$50,000	Greater Washington Community	\$100,000	Nextera Energy Foundation	\$140,836	The Chemours Company	\$50,000
Branden Grace	\$50,000	Gregg & Freddy Goldenberg Family	\$50,000	Nomi	\$500,000	The Coca-Cola Company	\$31,250
Brandon Tress	\$22,000	Gunther Motor Company of Plantation	\$50,000	Northern Ohio Honda Dealers	\$50,000	The Cody Foundation	\$25,000
BrightHouse Life Insurance Company	\$50,000	Harris Foundation	\$50,000	Northern OPS	\$100,000	The Gary & Catherine Graham Foundation	\$25,000
C and A Johnson	\$500,000	Harry W. Bass, Jr. Foundation	\$20,000	Northern Trust Charitable Giving Program	\$100,000	The GEO Group Foundation, Inc.	\$50,000
Care Source	\$50,000	Henry and Lisa Plain	\$25,000	O'Neill Family Charitable Foundation	\$20,000	The Hertz Corporation	\$500,000
Carlton Arms of Lakeland	\$27,957	Hillsborough Carlton Arms North	\$21,558	Only Fans	\$100,000	The Mahaffey Apartment Company	\$250,000
Carlton Arms of Magnolia Valley	\$24,851	Hit Promotional Products	\$100,000	Orlando Sports	\$25,000	The Mailman Foundation	\$100,000
Carlton Arms of North Lakeland	\$29,510	HM Life Insurance Company	\$50,000	Pablitto Almira Revocable Trust	\$20,000	The Molina Healthcare	\$150,000
Carlton Arms of Ocala	\$26,715	Honorlock, Inc.	\$25,291	Palm Chevrolet Friedel	\$50,000	The Terry & Susie Reardon Family Foundation	\$20,000
Carlton Arms of Winter Haven	\$31,064	Hospital Corporation of America	\$1,000,000	Patricia Wilson	\$25,000	The Waldrop Family Charitable Fund	\$50,000
Carmier Charitable Foundation	\$25,000	Humana, Inc.	\$300,000	Paypal	\$459,469	The Wood Family Foundation, Inc.	\$25,000
Carol & Barneu Family Foundation	\$250,000	Ian Mackenchnie	\$1,000,000	Peyton Yates	\$50,000	Thomas and Kristen Ritchie	\$100,000
Centene Charitable	\$1,000,000	ICI Homes Residential Holdings	\$50,000	Polina & Pomp Foundation	\$25,000	Thomas Hamilton	\$20,000
CFG Community Bank	\$100,000	IGT Global Solutions	\$100,000	Powerhouse Fund	\$20,000	Thunder Dome Car Lot	\$150,000
CFNJ.ORG	\$50,000	Independent Beer Distributors Relief Fund	\$50,000	Pual and Mary McLaughlin	\$25,000	Tim Sharma Foundation	\$30,000
Charles D. Berry Foundation	\$20,000	James and Toni Turner Foundation	\$50,000	Publix Supermarkets	\$1,000,000	Todd A. Felthaus	\$25,000
Charlotte Pipe and Foundry Company	\$50,000	Jay Nicewonder	\$20,000	RaceTrac, Inc.	\$50,000	Tony and Carolina Romeo	\$50,000
Charter Communications	\$100,000	JM Family Enterprises, Inc.	\$50,000	Raymond James Financial, Inc.	\$50,000	TPS Group Holdings, LLC.	\$38,097
Chesapeake	\$25,000	John and Shirley Berry	\$20,000	Renate Florescue	\$50,000	Tracy Dadeo	\$100,000
Chevron	\$200,000	John W. Childs	\$100,000	Renee and Rom Reddy	\$100,000	Trisons Foundation, Inc.	\$350,000
Chris Young Foundation	\$100,000	John W. Craft Foundation	\$100,000	Robert E. Dods Family Foundation	\$25,000	TTEC Foundation	\$25,000
Comcast	\$500,000	Johnson-Polios Foundation	\$100,000	Robert T. Bigelow	\$1,000,000	U H Foundation	\$1,000,000
Community Foundation of the Texas Hill Country	\$50,000	Joseph Simon	\$25,000	Ronald Rabe	\$20,000	Valley National Bank	\$25,000
Composites One, LLC	\$20,000	JPMC Foundation Corporation	\$300,000	Rooms to Go	\$250,000	Vystar Credit Union	\$25,000
Conrad N. Hill	\$500,000	K2 Wind Foundation, Inc.	\$100,000	Row Crop, LLC	\$150,000	W. Evans	\$20,000
Crystal Motors	\$25,000	Kimco Realty Corporation	\$25,000	Rumble USA, Inc.	\$100,000	W. Thomas Morgan III	\$25,000
CSX Transportation	\$50,000	Korpman Foundation	\$100,000	Sally Sutherland	\$20,000	Wal-Mart Foundation	\$1,500,000
Curtis Chandler	\$20,000	Lake Carlton Arms	\$59,394	Sandra Moriarty	\$20,000	Walgreens	\$500,000
CVS Health	\$1,320,510	Lanza Family Foundation	\$25,000	Santander Consumer	\$50,000	Wawa, Inc.	\$500,000
Cybergrants	\$125,000	Lavin Family Foundation	\$50,000	Savidge Family Foundation	\$20,000	Wellpoint	\$500,000
Darden Restaurants Foundation	\$200,000	Leading Edge Administrators	\$100,000	Schwab Charitable	\$5,025,000	Wells Fargo Foundation	\$250,000
David and Carol May	\$20,000	Leandro P. Ruzzuto Foundation	\$100,000	Schwartz Wiekamp Foundation	\$25,000	William J. Horsche	\$50,000
David Barber	\$100,000	Legere Family Foundation	\$25,000	Sentry	\$25,000	Willis & Reba Johnson Foundation	\$100,000
Davis John Abraham	\$50,000	Lennar Foundation	\$1,000,000	Sergio Fernandes	\$20,000	Zurich American Insurance Company	\$25,000

# VOLUNTEER FLORIDA FOUNDATION

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, Hispanic Heritage Month and Native American Heritage Month student contests and celebrations.

- In 2022, the Volunteer Florida Foundation, the Executive Office of the Governor, the Florida Department of Education, the Florida Lottery, and the Florida Department of State successfully hosted the Black History Month and Hispanic Heritage Month Art and Essay Contests and the Excellence in Education Awards. All winners were separately recognized at the Governor's Mansion this fall. In addition, the first Native American Heritage Month inaugural contests were celebrated and recognized in collaboration with the Seminole Tribe of Florida at the Governor's Mansion on November 30, 2022.



- Essay contest winners each received a Florida College Plan scholarship provided by the Florida Prepaid College Foundation. Art contest winners each received gift cards for school supplies and a pass to the Florida State HISTORY Parks. And the Excellence in Education award winners each received a \$2,500 monetary prize from Volunteer Florida.



- 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, limiting 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.



## HEALTHY MINDS: TEEN MENTAL HEALTH CONVENING

Florida middle and high school student leaders gathered together in Orlando April 19-21, 2022 to participate in Volunteer Florida Foundation's Healthy Minds Teen Summit, a youth-centered event to discuss mental resiliency and the unique challenges impacting teens today.

Florida's youth leaders who participated in the Summit, sponsored by Sunshine Health, tackled tough subjects and engaged in meaningful dialogue about emotional intelligence, behavioral health and mental resiliency. The three-day event encouraged participants to develop leadership skills, deepen peer relationships, and innovate ways to help address the issues impacting today's young people.

"Being a teenager is hard enough. Add in a pandemic, and our young people are struggling through some intense and uncharted territory. But if you want to know what's going on in a young person's mind, just listen," said Volunteer Florida CEO Corey Simon. "The Healthy Minds Teen Summit served to lift Florida's youth, both their spirits and their voices, giving them a place to talk about their issues as well as helpful tools to work through them."



Inspirational addresses to the Florida youth in attendance were delivered by the National Alliance on Mental Illness, NBA basketball legend Earvin "Magic" Johnson, and three-time Olympic gymnast Dominique Dawes. Sponsors of the event included Sunshine Health, Simply Healthcare Plans, Molina Healthcare, and other major providers and experts in health care and mental wellness.



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Special thanks to everyone who served on the Volunteer Florida Commission during 2022.

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