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Alleviating Hunger and Homelessness

1. American Red Cross of Central Florida

Mission Statement

The American Red Cross, a humanitarian organization led by volunteers and guided by its Congressional Charter and the Fundamental Principles of the International Red Cross Movement, will provide relief to victims of disasters and help people prevent, prepare for, and respond to emergencies.

Agency Description

The American Red Cross of Central Florida provides free assistance to local victims of disasters, which include residential fires, hurricanes, tornadoes, floods and wildfires, and other calamities.

Program

Armed Forces Emergency Services: Provides an emergency communication link and case management for financial assistance to active and retired military service members and their families. Offer information and referral services to military members and their families.

2. B.E.T.A Center, Inc.

Mission Statement

To give our community's children and parents the knowledge and support needed for strong and healthy families.

Agency Description

BETA Center is a multi-faceted agency offering services for teen and other high-risk parents. Programs include parenting education, a residence, childcare, schooling, emergency services and neighborhood outreach programs that help prevent child abuse and neglect by promoting healthy growth, supporting parents, and building stronger families.

Program

Residential Program: Offers transitional shelter, integrated with a variety of educational and supportive services, 24 hours a day, seven days a week, for pregnant women and minor mothers (17 and under) with children.

3. Catholic Charities of Central Florida

Mission Statement

To provide vital social services for those in need regardless of race, religion, social/economic background, or nationality to improve the lives of individuals, families and communities.

Agency Description

Catholic Charities of Central Florida, Inc. (CCCF) has been serving the nine counties of Central Florida since 1962 using best practice solutions to effectively and adequately meet the needs of individuals and families during times of personal crisis or disasters.

Program

Emergency Family Assistance: Provides direct assistance to low-income residents needing utility or rent assistance, food and personal care items to relieve their immediate crisis and help them stabilize. Case management and budget counseling are provided to aid in achieving long-term self-sufficiency.

4. Christian Service Center for Central Florida

Mission Statement

To prevent homelessness, combat poverty, cultivate self-sufficiency, restore hope and glorify God through the faithful provision of services that directly address physical, emotional and spiritual needs for families and individuals who are struggling in Central Florida.

Agency Description

Assists hurting families in Central Florida with compassion, through programs designed to meet physical, emotional and spiritual needs, regardless of race, religion or gender.

Program

Daily Bread – West Orange: Serves a free nourishing noontime meal to hungry residents of Ocoee and surrounding West Orange communities. West Orange Daily Bread serves low-income men, women and children, seniors, and the disabled on an unconditional basis.

5. Coalition for the Homelessness of Central Florida

Mission Statement

The mission of the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida is to address the needs of homeless men, women and children in the community and to serve as a catalyst for community collaboration to end homelessness.

Agency Description

The Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida is the largest homeless services provider in the region serving over 4,600 homeless individuals last fiscal year.

Programs

Housing Program: Offers the most independent housing options to clients at the Coalition for the Homeless of Central Florida. Living in on-site apartments or community-based supportive housing, clients experience independence along with structured guidance and support. Transitional services help ensure clients can sustain self-sufficiency upon departure from the program.

Resident Services: Helps homeless individuals transition from crisis and dependency to stability and independence. We accomplish this by assisting clients in obtaining the essential education, job training, employment, and savings needed to become self-sufficient.

Women’s Residential & Counseling Center (WRCC): Prepares women for a life of independence by helping them obtain the education, job training, employment assistance, and savings assistance needed to become self-sufficient. Last year, 73% of the clients served were domestic violence victims.

6. Harbor House of Central Florida

Mission Statement

Harbor House seeks to eliminate domestic violence in Central Florida by providing safety, shelter, empowerment, education and justice.

Agency Description

Harbor House provides a comprehensive spectrum of services from primary prevention to emergency shelter and crisis intervention designed to end domestic violence in our community.

Programs

Emergency Services: Provides a safe haven for women and children who are at risk at the hands of a family member. Provides a variety of services from crisis counseling, child care and case management.

7. Help Now of Osceola

Mission Statement

Provides safe shelter and empowers survivors of domestic and sexual violence through counseling and advocacy while promoting violence free living through community awareness.

Agency Description

Help Now provides services for victims of sexual and domestic violence, and is a leader of social change to eradicate family violence through prevention initiatives.

Program

Domestic Violence Prevention: Provides services for victims of sexual and domestic violence, and is a leader of social change to eradicate family violence through prevention initiatives.

8. Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando

Mission Statement

Strives to provide vital, high quality and innovative social services to people in need.

Agency Description

Jewish Family Services of Greater Orlando, Inc. (JFS) is a multi-faceted family services agency and exists to enhance family life and to meet the human service needs of individuals and families residing in Central Florida.

Programs

Emergency Services: Provides food and emergency financial assistance primarily for rent, mortgage, utilities, and other basic needs for qualified families.

9. Meals on Wheels, Etc.

Mission Statement

Enhancing the quality of life for young and old by providing appetizing and nutritious meals as well as support services for seniors which enable them to maintain their independence and dignity.

Agency Description

Meals on Wheels, Etc. began with a small home-delivered meal program in 1973. Since then, the elder population of Seminole County has dramatically increased each year. Today, many elderly residents are at-risk of inappropriate nursing home placement simply because they cannot afford or locate services which keep them safe and independent. Meals on Wheels, Etc. has responded to this issue by adding services and programs that improve their health and well being while keeping them in their own homes.

Programs

Congregate Meals & Site Transportation: Provides healthy, hot lunches to Seminole County seniors Monday-Friday. Clients are picked up from their homes by agency vans and transported to sites. Five sites receive transportation; two sites are within a short walking distance.

Home Delivered Meals: Provides homebound Seminole County seniors age 60 and older with two nutritious meals daily, Monday-Friday, who are unable to prepare meals for themselves.

10. Osceola County Council on Aging

Mission Statement

To promote the physical, mental, social and economic well-being of the elderly, disabled adults, and disadvantaged families in Osceola County by providing health and human services to enable independence and self-sufficiency.

Agency Description

The Osceola Council on Aging provides 30 community-based programs to support the independence and self-sufficiency of seniors, disabled adults and disadvantaged families in Osceola County.

Programs

Nutrition Program: The Osceola Council on Aging began providing nutrition assistance programs to the elderly in Osceola County more than 38 years ago. Today, the Council provides over 200,000 meals to senior citizens and disabled adults, and more than 4,000 emergency food baskets to needy families in our community every year

11. Rescue Outreach Mission of Central Florida

Mission Statement

Provides a safe, supportive and healing environment in which disadvantaged or homeless people receive the assistance they need to return to self-sufficiency.

Agency Description

The mission was founded in 1986 when Mother Blanche Bell Weaver saw desperate people in her community, people without basic essentials or the ability to live a productive, contributing life. Focus is to help people return to self-sufficiency and relieve some of the economic pressure for those living in marginal situations.

Programs

Emergency Shelter/Opportunities & Hope: Provides shelter, food, and clothing with a focus on helping men and women return to self-sufficiency and relieving some of the economic pressure for those in marginal living situations.

Loaves & Fishes Program: Provides hot meals to residents of Rescue Outreach Mission and to any persons in the community who are hungry.

12. Safehouse of Seminole

Mission Statement

Dedicated to seeing an end to the cycle of domestic violence, Safehouse of Seminole reaches out to educate the community and provide a coordinated response to prevent the epidemic of domestic violence.

Agency Description

The Seminole County Victims' Rights Coalition is a 501(c)(3), not-for profit, community-based organization doing business as Safehouse of Seminole. The coalition was formed in 1988 by a group of concerned Seminole County advocates and law enforcement who recognized the need for shelter for victims of domestic violence and related support services in Seminole County.

Program

SafeHouse Survival: Exists to serve victims of domestic violence and their children who believe that they are in imminent danger in their current living environment

13. Salvation Army of Orange County

Mission Statement

To preach the gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Agency Description

The Salvation Army is a religious agency, meeting human needs in the name of Jesus without discrimination. Provides homeless prevention, homeless services and other needs.

Programs

Men's Shelter: Offers shelter, showers, meals, and clothing to homeless men in our community. Hosts a daily street line that serves meals to those living on the streets.

Social Services: Enhances the quality of life and promotes self-sufficiency of people in need of financial and social services.

Women and Children's Shelter: Provides shelter, showers, meals, case management to homeless women and children in a state of crisis in Central Florida.

14. Salvation Army of Seminole County

Mission Statement

The Salvation Army, an international movement, is an evangelical part of the universal Christian Church.

Agency Description

The Salvation Army, started in 1865, is an international religious and charitable organization. Each local Corps unit is part of The Salvation Army parent organization. These Corps units are regionally supervised and granted support services for sound management and to achieve the organizations overall mission. The units could not exist independently of the parent organization and together they constitute a single entity with a variety of functions.

Program

Emergency Assistance Program: Provides emergency financial assistance with rent/mortgage, utilities. Also provides emergency food through our food pantry to families in immediate need and assistance with obtaining limited prescription medications to residents of Seminole County.

15. Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida

Mission Statement

To fight hunger in Central Florida.

Agency Description

Since 1983, the Food Bank has been working to eliminate hunger in our community. By helping to close the gap between the community's need for donated food and the amount of food available, it is a mission that touches hundreds of thousands of lives each year.

Programs

Community Food Drives: Facilitates the distribution of non-perishable foods collected by hundreds of local groups and individuals throughout the year. The donated food is sorted, stored and distributed to hundreds of nonprofit agencies providing food assistance.

General Food Distribution: Process by which millions of pounds of donated perishable and non-perishable food are collected, sorted, stored, and distributed to local nonprofit agencies providing emergency food assistance.

Kid's Café: Provides nutritious meals as part of an organized after school program for at-risk children in low income neighborhoods.

Second Helpings: A prepared and perishable food rescue program that picks up donated food that has been prepared, but not served, from local restaurants, resorts, hotels, and other food outlets and transports it directly to nonprofit agencies serving on-site meals and "re-prepared" into meals for their clients.

16. Seniors First

Mission Statement

Seniors First mission is to enhance the quality of life for Central Florida seniors by maintaining their independence and dignity through nutrition, home improvement and support services.

Agency Description

Seniors First Inc. provides for the emotional, physical, and social support of Central Florida seniors through Nutrition, In-Home Care, Home Improvement, and other services.

Programs

Congregate Meals: Targets Orange County senior citizens, age 60 and above to provide a hot, nutritionally sound lunch meal and social activities throughout the county.

Emergency Meals on Wheels: Provides immediate nutritional and case management support for up to 30 days to frail Orange County seniors, age 60 and older, who are in a crisis situation.

Home Delivered Meals: Volunteers and staff deliver hot nutritious meals to and provide social contact for homebound, frail seniors who are struggling with activities of daily living due to physical and/or mental impairment.

Building Safe Communities through Education

1. **After School Programs, Inc.**

Mission Statement

To be a company that implements genuine care, respect and courtesy for children, parents and each other to be the premier provider of childcare, while meeting the needs of the children, parents, schools and communities we serve. To enhance and enrich the lives of children as they become young adults while working as a team toward common goals.

Agency Description

After School Programs, Inc. established in 1991 as a not for profit corporation currently operates over 60 SACS accredited, on-site child care programs in Broward, Orange and Collier County Florida.

Program

All Children Can Excel, Shine & Succeed (A.C.C.E.S.S.) at Ivey Lane Elementary: A collaborative initiative with the Adult Literacy League, Junior Achievement, and Fifth Third Bank, the program will address grade level reading, math, and school attendance for students in grades K-5 and work to improve the employability skills of parents, thus increasing the families' financial stability.

2. **Apopka Family Learning Center**

Mission Statement

The Apopka Family Learning Center's mission is the creation of a unique, educational environment of hope and encouragement for lifetime learning. AFLC helps families address vital issues of education, literacy, parenting skills, health care, and money management. AFLC builds strong families one day at a time.

Agency Description

Apopka Family Learning Center offers an academic enrichment program, parenting skills, family literacy, and financial literacy for low-income adults and children in Central Florida.

Program

Kids in Motion: An after-school, academic enrichment program for children ages 5-14 in Central Florida that meets five days a week for forty-four weeks of the school year.

3. Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Florida

Mission Statement

Big Brothers Big Sisters of Central Florida (BBBSCFL) helps at-risk youth reach their greatest potential through professionally supported one-to-one mentoring relationships with impactful outcomes.

Agency Description

BBBSCFL is a nonprofit 501 (c) (3) organization working to improve the lives of at-risk youth through professionally supported one-to-one mentoring relationships with impactful outcomes.

Program

Youth Mentoring: Provides professionally supported one-to-one mentoring relationships to at-risk youth. Individualized attention helps youth become more competent, build confidence and make better decisions. Through mentoring, youth become more productive citizens, resisting delinquent behavior and positively contributing to the community

4. Boys & Girls Club of Central Florida

Mission Statement

The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.

Agency Description

For the past 65 years, we have offered the at-risk youth of our community a proven way to overcome the many challenges facing them so they may grow into successful, contributing adults in our community. By providing safe, affordable after-school programming targeted to at-risk youth and their families, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida works to provide a positive environment that nurtures children and youth, encouraging them to reach their full potential.

Programs

Every Member, Every Year: Uses positive role models, expanded hours, family outreach, community support, and a comprehensive strategy of age-specific Project Learn-enriched programs to meet the high school dropout crisis head-on, encouraging academic success, on-time promotion, high school graduation, future life success, and less juvenile delinquency.

5. The Center for Drug-Free Living

Mission Statement

The Center for Drug-Free Living (The Center) is committed to providing individuals and families within our community the skills to achieve and maintain healthy responsible lifestyles. We will develop and offer the highest quality prevention, intervention and treatment services at the most reasonable cost by developing relationships with the most appropriate partners. We will preserve and respect the dignity of the people we serve and those with whom we work.

Agency Description

The Center is a comprehensive, community-based behavioral healthcare organization, which has been in operation since 1971. Program components include: substance abuse education, prevention and intervention; substance use disorder treatment including detoxification, outpatient, residential and aftercare services; methadone and buprenorphine treatment; adult and adolescent drug courts; HIV overlay, outreach, education, testing and supportive services; as well as juvenile justice prevention and residential commitment services.

Program

Village House: Serves as safe havens and group activity centers for youth in emergency and non-emergency situations. Neighborhood residents volunteer their homes to provide these services to children who live in their immediate neighborhood. Youth receive life skills training, homework assistance, field trips and community service experiences to help develop their skills and resiliency.

6. Children’s Home Society of Florida – Central Florida Division

Mission Statement

Embracing Children. Inspiring Lives.

Agency Description

The Children's Home Society of Florida (CHS) was the first agency in the state to provide child protection, welfare services and child placement.

Program

Community School Project at Evans: A collaboration between the Children's Home Society of Florida (CHS), Orange County Public Schools (OCPS), Evans High School and the University of Central Florida (UCF), the Community School Project at Evans brings together three key components to increase educational success for students at Evans; academic support, enrichment activities and health services.

7. City Year Orlando

Mission Statement

To build democracy through citizen service, civic leadership and social entrepreneurship.

Agency Description

City Year is an education focused non-profit organization unites young people for a year of service to keep students in school and on track to graduation.

Program

City Year Orlando at Evans High School: In partnership with Orange County Public Schools, City Year is a scalable human capital strategy for providing students in Orlando's most challenged schools with the evidence-based supports they need to stay in school and on track to graduate.

8. Devereux Florida

Mission Statement

Devereux changes lives and nurtures human potential. We inspire hope, ensure well-being, and promote meaningful life choices.

Agency Description

Devereux Florida provides services for emotional, developmental and behavioral needs for 13,500 children annually in a range of settings, from home, school, and community to residential programs. Services are provided to these children and their families through 46 different programs throughout the state.

Program

CAFÉ Program: Located at the Grand Avenue Primary Learning Center, serves families residing with the 32805 zip code. Program activities include mentoring services, an after school program, and parenting classes.

9. Edgewood Children's Ranch

Mission Statement

Our mission is to house, educate, love, counsel and care for the children in a spiritual and moral environment. The Ranch works closely with the families in an effort to reunite the child into a healthy, loving and productive unit that functions well at home and in the community.

Agency Description

A residential program designed to rehabilitate, educate, counsel and care for youth and their families who are at risk of leading wasted or dangerous lives.

Program

Edgewood Children’s Ranch: Program emphasis includes living and working well with others and understanding healthy family life, academics (education and remediation), counseling addressing behavioral and emotional issues, and a Parent Support Program (emphasizing on healthy parenting skills).

10. GROWS Literacy Council

Mission Statement

To grow to become the model organization; educating, guiding, and advocating for low-income members of the community.

Agency Description

The Greater Reading or Writing Skills Literacy Agency, Inc. (GROWS) is a non-profit, 501(c)(3) organization founded in 1988 to assist low-income immigrants in Northwest Orange County with literacy needs. GROWS has served over 4,000 participants of our target community since 1988, and 276 participants during the past fiscal year.

Program

Family Literacy Program: Teaches parents English, employment, and self-sufficiency skills as well as teaching their at-risk children the literacy skills for success in kindergarten. The curriculum and enrichment activities are designed to enhance employability for adults and social skills for the children, uniting families and improving lives through educations.

11. Hope CommUnity Center

Mission Statement

Hope CommUnity Center is dedicated to the empowerment of Central Florida’s immigrant and working poor communities through education, advocacy and spiritual growth.

Agency Description

Founded in 1971, three Catholic nuns responded to an urgent call from the Bishop to address the needs of farm workers in the area. The Ministry has worked continually to meet the basic needs of the ever-growing number of farm workers and immigrant families residing in Central Florida.

Program

Strong Families – Strong Futures: Serving the Apopka area, includes in/after-school tutoring, college/career readiness services, mentoring children with incarcerated

parents, out-of-school enrichment activities, the Nurturing Family Program to strengthen parent/child relationships, and adult educational opportunities to help adults strengthen their roles as parents, providers and citizens.

12. Legal Aid Society of the Orange County Bar Association

Mission Statement

To provide quality legal services for the low-income residents, the working poor, children and disadvantaged groups with special legal needs in Orange County, Florida, and to assist in providing legal aid services to similarly situated residents of neighboring counties through an effective and fiscally sound program through the combined efforts of staff and pro bono attorneys.

Agency Description

Provides legal assistance to low-income in family, housing, consumer, public benefits, and immigration law. Manages Guardian ad Litem Program representing abused, abandoned, and neglected children.

Program

Connections Count: Fosters healthy child development and prevents the onset of delinquent behavior through volunteer Guardian ad Litem, staff attorneys, and case managers who advocate on behalf of the child's well being, creating positive social relationships and norms among abused and neglected youth in Pine Hills.

13. Orlando Community & Youth Trust

Mission Statement

To encourage and promote green space, nature, educational and recreational activities, to administer fundraising projects, and to provide funding for events, programs, facilities and scholarships for low income youth and the City's culturally diverse population.

Agency Description

Responding to community needs, The Community and Youth Trust improves the lives of low-income children and their families within the City of Orlando.

Program

Parramore Kidz Zone: Engages a critical mass of Parramore youth (birth to 21) by providing evidence-based programs such as afterschool activities, youth employment, educational support, and caring adult role models, through a coalition of six service providers with the goals of decreasing juvenile crime/arrest rates and increasing academic achievement and career readiness.

14. Orlando Day Nursery

Mission Statement

Orlando Day Nursery prepares children for a successful future, regardless of their socioeconomic circumstances, by providing safe, high quality early childcare and education services.

Agency Description

The Orlando Day Nursery Association, Inc. ODN has provided early childhood care and education services to working-poor families living near downtown Orlando.

Program

In Support of Families: Provides developmentally appropriate childcare and an enriching preschool learning experience at reduced rates to families living in or near poverty to prepare children for school readiness, healthy living and sustainable livelihoods as adults in order to build a more flourishing community.

15. PACE Center for Girls, Inc.

Mission Statement

PACE provides girls and young women an opportunity for a better future through education, counseling, training and advocacy.

Agency Description

PACE believes each girl deserves an opportunity to find her voice, achieve her potential and celebrate a life defined by responsibility, dignity, serenity and grace.

Program:

PACE Reach: Provides up to three years of transition services for girls attending the PACE Day Program, including wrap-around services allowing the girls to realize the same academic and social service successes they achieved while attending the PACE Center.

16. Winter Park Day Nursery

Mission Statement

The Winter Park Day Nursery provides a secure, nurturing and educational environment that is affordable and supports family diversity.

Agency Description

Winter Park Day Nursery is dedicated to providing high-quality preschool education for children of working poor families by offering a sliding fee schedule.

Program

Preschool Education: Follows best practices in curriculum and discipline and employees degreed teachers. Our at-risk children learn actively with a developmentally appropriate curriculum enriched by arts, pre-reading and pre-writing skills, physical activities, and social skills that will form a solid foundation for future learning.

Developing Healthy Children & Families

1. **BETA Center, Inc.**

Mission Statement

To give our community's children and parents the knowledge and support needed for strong and healthy families.

Agency Description

BETA Center is a multi-faceted agency offering services for teen and other high-risk parents. Programs include parenting education, a residence, childcare, schooling, emergency services and neighborhood outreach programs that help prevent child abuse and neglect by promoting healthy growth, supporting parents, and building stronger families.

Programs

Parents as Partners Program (DHCF): Provides services to BETA alumni, clients in their homes and in schools to improve the overall communication skills and parent/child relationship, positively impacting the child's mental, emotional and physical well-being.

2. **Boys & Girls Club of Central Florida**

Mission Statement

The mission of Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida is to inspire and enable all young people, especially those from disadvantaged circumstances, to realize their full potential as productive, responsible, and caring citizens.

Agency Description

For the past 65 years, we have offered the at-risk youth of our community a proven way to overcome the many challenges facing them so they may grow into successful, contributing adults in our community. By providing safe, affordable after-school programming targeted to at-risk youth and their families, Boys & Girls Clubs of Central Florida works to provide a positive environment that nurtures children and youth, encouraging them to reach their full potential.

Go Healthy! Initiative: Educates youth members and their families to increase their capacity to make positive choices about nutrition, physical activity, and personal behavior, and promote personal and family wellness, reducing risk of obesity and participation in risky behaviors while improving school attendance and academic performance.

3. Center for Independent Living

Mission Statement

The Center for Independent Living (CIL), in partnership with the community, promotes personal rights and responsibilities among people with all disabilities and strives to eliminate architectural, communication and attitudinal barriers by providing education, resources, and training to enhance self-determination through informed choice.

Agency Description

CIL was founded in 1976 by a coalition of people with disabilities and their advocates. Since its incorporation in 1979, the agency has enhanced and enriched the lives of thousands of people with disabilities by providing essential core services, offering training techniques for independent living and advocating for the removal of architectural, communication, and attitudinal barriers within the community.

Program

Deaf Services/Communication & Education: Offers the widest range of services to the greatest number of deaf and hard of hearing consumers, designed to cover the client's entire life span.

4. Children's Home Society of Florida – Central Florida Division

Mission Statement

Embracing Children. Inspiring Lives.

Agency Description

The Children's Home Society of Florida (CHS) was the first agency in the state to provide child protection, welfare services and child placement.

Program

Perinatal Program: A voluntary program that attempts to stop the intergenerational cycle of child abuse and neglect by teaching positive parenting behaviors and offering individual and group support to at-risk parents. It is open to first time parents in Seminole County whose oldest child is under age 3.

5. Community Health Centers

Mission Statement

To provide quality and compassionate primary and preventive medical, dental and pharmaceutical services to Central Florida's economically and culturally diverse communities.

Agency Description

Community Health Centers, Inc. is a nonprofit, healthcare organization that provides quality primary and preventive medical, dental and pharmaceutical services to the Central Florida community.

Program

Perinatal Program: A voluntary program that attempts to stop the intergenerational cycle of child abuse and neglect by teaching positive parenting behaviors and offering individual and group support to at-risk parents in Seminole County.

6. Dental Care Access Foundation, Inc.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Dental Care Access Foundation, Inc. is to provide dental care to patients in need by directing eligible patients to existing volunteer dental service agencies in our community ensuring more timely treatment, reducing patient suffering, and relieving our current health care system of the additional burden brought about by dental emergencies.

Agency Description

Recruits dental care providers and facilities willing to offer donated dental care for patients for the Dental Care Access Foundation, Inc. sponsored events. Coordinates a dental referral network and matches uninsured patients with a volunteer dentist in the community willing to accept the patient at no cost (to include managing the eligibility process and coordinating the needed care).

Program

Access to Dental Care: Unlocks access to dental care for the uninsured and economically disadvantaged populations in Central Florida by providing a network of dental professionals who are willing to volunteer their time and support to help those who are unable to access dental care under the current federal and state health conditions.

7. Florida Hospital Foundation

Mission Statement

Florida Hospital Foundation is the fundraising arm of Florida Hospital. The Foundation's purpose is to support and raise funds for programs and capital that allow Florida Hospital to fulfill its mission and to provide stewardship of gifts received. For more than

100 years, Florida Hospital's mission—to extend the healing ministry of Christ—has remained unchanged and uncompromised. It focuses on a holistic approach to heal the mind, body, and spirit.

Agency Description

ADVENTIST HEALTH SYSTEM, the largest not-for-profit protestant healthcare institution in the U.S., is an international system of more than 500 healthcare facilities. Its flagship organization, FLORIDA HOSPITAL, is a 2,247-bed hospital that serves as a community hospital with eight campuses across Orlando's tri-county area (Orange, Seminole, and Osceola Counties).

Program

Healthy Beginnings for Moms & Infants: Enrolls new mothers in a supportive and educational two year program designed to offer feeding and nutrition education services.

8. Grace Medical Home

Mission Statement

The mission of Grace Medical Home (GMH) is to reflect the character and compassion of Christ by offering the highest level of medical care to those in our community who need it most.

Agency Description

Grace Medical Home is a private, nonprofit medical practice providing primary care to Orange County, uninsured residents who are living below 200% of the federal poverty level.

Program

Comprehensive Diabetic Patient Care: A faith-based collaborative between GMH and Mercy Drive Ministries, a grassroots ministry located in the heart of Mercy Drive. The program improves the health of Pine Hills residents by: increasing diabetes knowledge, linking individuals to a medial home, peer counseling/lifestyle behavior counseling, and provision of comprehensive clinical care.

9. Harbor House of Central Florida

Mission Statement

Harbor House seeks to eliminate domestic violence in Central Florida by providing safety, shelter, empowerment, education and justice.

Agency Description

Harbor House provides a comprehensive spectrum of services from primary prevention to emergency shelter and crisis intervention designed to end domestic violence in our community.

Program

Project Courage: Empowers targeted communities with information and programs on domestic abuse. Through engaging families, key networks, and leaders in two additional neighborhoods, Project Courage works to eradicate domestic abuse by shifting the way communities address family health and well-being.

10. Healthy Start Coalition of Orange County, Inc.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Healthy Start Coalition of Orange County (HSCOC) is to improve maternal and child health in Orange County, FL through community partnerships.

Agency Description

As the leader in maternal-child health issues for Orange County, the HSCOC works to ensure all babies are born healthy. Our goal is to reduce infant mortality and the number of babies born too soon or too small.

Program

Boot Camp for New Dads: Provides expectant/new fathers the opportunity to understand their role as a father and the importance of early bonding, and to gain early parenting skills through the facilitation of a “veteran” dad who shares his knowledge and experience with these “rookie” dads in a non-threatening environment.

11. Hebni Nutrition Consultants, Inc.

Mission Statement

to provide culturally appropriate nutrition education and intervention strategies to prevent diet-related diseases.

Agency Description

Hebni Nutrition Consultants, Inc. is a community-based agency formed in 1995 to educate high-risk, culturally diverse populations about nutrition strategies to prevent diet-related diseases.

Program

Project Oasis: Recruits families to participate in weekly nutrition education and cooking classes while receiving free fruits and vegetables. The goal of the program is to improve

the health of residents living in the 32805 zip code by increasing their consumption and knowledge of healthy foods.

12. The Howard Phillips Center for Children and Families

Mission Statement

To advocate for and respond to the needs of children in Central Florida who have medical, emotional and developmental challenges, especially those related to child abuse and neglect.

Agency Description

The Howard Phillips Center for Children & Families is the community outreach unit of Arnold Palmer Medical Center and Orlando Health, a community-based nonprofit and is home to four programs that provide specialized medical care, psychosocial support and advocacy for children and families.

Programs

Healthy Families Orange: An evidence-based intervention that focuses on preventing child abuse and neglect, improving child health, and increasing a family's economic self-sufficiency.

Healthy Youth Program: A collaborative serving Carver Middle School, provides medical and mental health services in collaboration with Orlando After-School All Stars who will provide academic tutoring and academic enrichment services before and after school throughout the school year.

13. IMPOWER / Intervention Services, Inc.

Mission Statement

Changing lives by protecting, counseling, teaching and inspiring individuals and families to reach their full potential.

Agency Description

As a non-profit organization, IMPOWER has been serving the needs of at-risk and dependent children, adults, and families in Central Florida since 1994. IMPOWER has extensive experience working within Behavioral Health and Child Welfare, Juvenile Justice and Educational Systems. In total, we serve more than 6,800 clients annually with approximately 180 staff members who are trained to work with each specific population in order to help all those served achieve their own personal success.

Program

Wraparound Orange Expansion: Expands wraparound services to children ages 2-6 in these settings who are experiencing significant behavioral health disorders and causing dysfunction in the classroom, day-care or early learning locations and provide families with support and access to services.

14. Lighthouse Central Florida

Mission Statement

Promote the independence and success of people living with sight impairment.

Agency Description

Founded in 1976 as open campus courses of Valencia Community College, Lighthouse (formerly C.I.T.E) initially taught independent living skills to recently blind adults and educated parents and caregivers of visually impaired children. Now Lighthouse offers a wider variety of services to help visually impaired children and teens prepare for their future, enable newly blind older adults to remain independent and provide working-age adults with the assistance they needed to remain employed, and provide families an opportunity to learn how to support visually impaired family members.

Program

Early Childhood Education & Vision Habilitation: Works with the families of visually impaired children ages birth to age 6 to ensure households provide a safe and nurturing environment for children, increase parenting skills, and increase access to health care.

15. Osceola Council on Aging

Mission Statement

To promote the physical, mental, social and economic well-being of the elderly, disabled adults, and disadvantaged families in Osceola County by providing health and human services to enable independence and self-sufficiency.

Agency Description

The Osceola Council on Aging provides 30 community-based programs to support the independence and self-sufficiency of seniors, disabled adults and disadvantaged families in Osceola County.

Program

Health & Wealth Initiative: A collaborative with the UF/IFAS Osceola Extension Services and Community Vision, provides participants with clinical care, health and nutrition education, financial education and counseling programs, and life and employability skills training.

16. YMCA of Central Florida

Mission Statement

The purpose of this Association is to improve lives of all in Central Florida by connecting individuals, families and communities with opportunities based in Christian values that strengthen Spirit, Mind and Body.

Agency Description

The YMCA of Central Florida supports its communities with neighborhood-based services which annually impact the lives of more than 230,000 residents. Through the dedicated efforts of its 27 Family Centers and 50+ school site locations, the Y's 1,700 employees and 6,380 volunteers provide youth development, healthy living and family support programs in Orange, Osceola, Seminole, Lake, Brevard and Marion counties.

Program

Family Health Initiative: Provides on-site health care, mental health and wellness services for children and families by adding a part-time RN and social worker.

Improving Financial Stability

1. **Adult Literacy League**

Mission Statement

The Adult Literacy League develops readers to build a strong and literate community.

Agency Description

Since 1968, our award-winning agency has expanded and grown to teach thousands of adults to read and hundreds of children to succeed in school.

Program

Financial Sustainability: Strengthens reading, writing, and English communication skills among adult students. Offers classes in math, adult basic education, health and financial literacy, GED preparation, citizenship, computers and technology. Additional new classes include applied job skills and behaviors, job-seeking tactics including resume writing, interviewing, Internet job searching, and completing application forms.

2. **Christian Help Foundation, Inc.**

Mission Statement

Christian HELP is devoted to preventing homelessness by helping people find jobs while providing for them spiritually and materially.

Agency Description

Christian HELP was formed in 1992 after Dick and Madge Wilson felt called into ministry. 20 years later, Christian HELP is one of the top permanent placement agencies in Central Florida placing over 7,000 people in jobs in 2011 alone. The goal of Christian HELP is to prevent homelessness by helping people to get back on their feet and become self-sufficient again.

Program

Lighting the Way to Financial Stability: Works with community partners to provide access to community supports, provide employability skills training, and link clients to local employers.

3. **Community Coordinated Care for Children (4C)**

Mission Statement

To empower the community to provide for its future through developing, coordinating and strengthening programs that care for children.

Agency Description

Now in its 40th year of service, Community Coordinated Care for Children, Inc. (4C), a 501(c) (3) non-profit organization, provides an array of services that support children, families, and child care professionals. 4C works to facilitate the delivery of information and financial assistance related to early learning services.

Program

School Readiness: Provides assistance with the cost of child care for low- to moderate-income working families. In order to work, parents must have care for their children. Through this program, children gain access to child care and other early learning services that help prepare them to enter school ready to learn and ready for life. The program also provides referrals for services available in the community to meet such needs as food and shelter.

4. Goodwill Industries of Central Florida

Mission Statement

to provide opportunities to people with disabilities and disadvantaging conditions so that they may overcome barriers to employment, reach a higher level of independence and improve their lives.

Agency Description

Goodwill Industries of Central Florida, a not-for-profit organization, provides employment and training opportunities to people with disabilities and disadvantaging conditions.

Program

Money Sense: Provides financial literacy training and follow-along in 12 targeted zip codes in Orange, Seminole and Osceola counties. The program, based on the Financial Social Work model, is designed to create sustainable, long-term financial behavioral change.

5. Harbor House of Central Florida

Mission Statement

Harbor House seeks to eliminate domestic violence in Central Florida by providing safety, shelter, empowerment, education and justice.

Agency Description

Harbor House provides a comprehensive spectrum of services from primary prevention to emergency shelter and crisis intervention designed to end domestic violence in our community.

Program

Moving Ahead through Financial Management: Provides a full continuum of services focused on self-sufficiency and economic empowerment to help prevent homelessness and promote economic recovery.

6. Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation (ONIC)

Mission Statement

Provide stable, thriving communities or opportunity through quality, affordable housing and resident asset building programs.

Agency Description

Orlando Neighborhood Improvement Corporation (ONIC) is a nonprofit housing development company that develops and owns affordable rental housing in Central Florida since 1989.

Program

Resident Prosperity: Works with families living in ONIC communities to expose, educate, connect, and engage them in a supportive and collaborative model resulting individually in increased financial knowledge and wealth building and collectively in increased community stability and empowerment.

7. Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida, Inc.

Mission Statement

To fight hunger in Central Florida.

Agency Description

Since 1983, the Food Bank has been working to eliminate hunger in our community. By helping to close the gap between the community's need for donated food and the amount of food available, it is a mission that touches hundreds of thousands of lives each year.

Program

Culinary Training Program: Recruits underemployed and unemployed participants from the surrounding neighborhood and provide them with both life skills training as well as culinary training that will lead to a credential.

8. Seminole County Bar Association Legal Aid Society

Mission Statement

Seminole County Bar Association Legal Aid Society, Inc. was commenced in 1975 with the mission of providing free quality legal advocacy to Seminole County's economically disadvantaged persons to improve their quality of life and enhance their self-sufficiency.

Agency Description

Legal services are rendered to indigent persons who have serious legal problems which, if not addressed, would result in loss of housing and self sufficiency.

Program

Helping Families Achieve Financial Stability: Provides free legal services for Orange and Seminole County economically disadvantaged residents to avoid unfair foreclosures or foreclosure-related evictions, provide education and outreach to mobilize the community-at-large, and facilitate individual financial stability and community economic vitality.