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AGENCIES  
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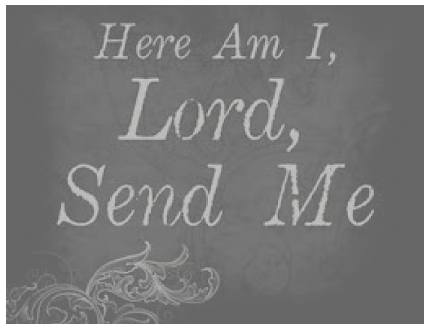
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**Mission Statement of the Siesta Key Chapel  
Mission Outreach Committee:**

To help members grow in faith through worship, Christian Education, and mission outreach, while encouraging generosity, personal commitment, and prayerful discernment regarding financial stewardship.



With the above statement in mind, we prayerfully request that you read the contents of this brochure, to determine God’s plan for your involvement in mission outreach. Each of us has talents which can be used to improve the lives of others. Find your niche and begin today to help those who cannot help themselves.

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## Local Agencies

### **All Faiths Food Bank** (Sandra Frank, CEO)

8171 Blaikie Ct.

Sarasota, FL 34240

941-379-6333

[www.allfaithsfoodbank.org](http://www.allfaithsfoodbank.org)

All Faiths Food Bank's **mission** is to feed those in need and educate the community about hunger and nutrition. It is a member of Feeding America and the hub of the hunger relief system in DeSoto and Sarasota Counties. Last year, All Faiths Food Bank distributed 7 million pounds of food equating to 5.8 million meals through 195 pantries, soup kitchens, churches, community centers, and programs.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- donating non-perishable items like peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna or chicken, rice, beans, baby formula, cereal, canned soup, and powdered milk at SKC's Charity Carrier,
- providing monetary donations at SKC's Charity Carrier,
- sorting canned goods or food to create meals at All Faiths Food Bank, and
- hosting a Food and Fund Drive to yield as many as 230 meals

### **Backpack4Kids**

Contact: Susan Koch 922-7242 or Ruth Ulrich 349-0921

Working hand-in-hand with All Faiths Food Bank, the Backpack4Kids Program provides nutritional support to needy children over the weekend and during school holidays when they might otherwise go without a meal. Through it, homeless and low-income children are sent home with a backpack of healthy, kid-friendly food.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- packing backpacks at All Faiths Food Bank every Wednesday from 9 to 11 (contact Ruth Ulrich @ 349-0921 or Susan Koch @ 922-7242 for details),
- providing monetary donations to increase the number of backpacks provided. (\$160 sponsors one child for the entire school year)

### **Big Brothers Big Sisters**

1000 S. Tamiami Trail Suite C

Venice, FL 34285

For more than 43 years, Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Sun Coast has operated under the belief that inherent in every child is the ability to succeed and thrive in life. Big Brothers Big Sisters makes meaningful, monitored matches between adult volunteers ("Bigs") and children ("Littles"), ages 6 through 18, in the communities they serve. They develop positive relationships that have a direct and lasting effect on the lives of young people.

### **Blue Star Mothers – Southwest Florida**

PO Box 495301

Port Charlotte, FL 33949

941-661-8037

[www.bluestarmothers.org](http://www.bluestarmothers.org)

Blue Star Mothers is comprised of mothers who have sons or daughters who are serving or have actively served as members of the Armed Forces. They have joined together to encourage and support each other and to support active military and our local veterans. Their projects and community services include wreaths across America, single soldier projects, wounded warriors support, deployment support, veteran family support, soldier care packages

and greeting cards, PTSD education and support, and participation in military and veteran ceremonies.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- providing monetary donations to support any of the above projects or community services and
- donating volunteer hours in support of any of the above projects or community services.

**Brothers and Sisters Doing the Right Thing** (Alice Jones)

2809 Gillespie Ave.

Sarasota, FL 34234

941-544-3540

[www.sarasota-ymca.org](http://www.sarasota-ymca.org)

Brothers and Sisters Doing the Right Thing is a local non-profit that provides intensive homework assistance for grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through high school, Monday – Thursday, 2:30 – 6:30 PM (at the Robert L. Taylor Community Complex), using the three pillar method that involves nourishing education, goal setting, and the inspiration to succeed. Subjects covered include: math, English, science, social studies and reading.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- tutoring in the after school program in math, English, science, social studies, and reading for grades 3<sup>rd</sup> through high school, at the Robert Taylor Recreation Center, 1850 34<sup>th</sup> St., Sarasota, FL or
- providing monetary donations for meals, books and other school supplies, and achievement rewards programs.

**Caritas**

**First Sarasota**

1661 Main St.

Sarasota, FL 34236

941-953-4759

Caritas was conceived as a cooperative effort by the Church of the Redeemer, First Baptist Church, First Presbyterian Church USA, First United Methodist Church, and St. Martha Catholic Church to provide emergency assistance.

The Chapel helps by collecting food delivered by Fred Teeter (including Souper Bowl Sunday) and monetary donations on a weekly basis to feed the hungry.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- donating non-perishable items like peanut butter, jelly, canned tuna or chicken, rice, beans, baby formula, cereal, canned soup, and powdered milk at SKC’s Charity Carrier and
- providing monetary donations to purchase additional food.
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**Emma E. Booker Elementary School** (Dawn Clayton, Princ.)

2350 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Way

Sarasota FL 34234

941-361-6480

[www.sarasotacountyschools.net/schools/emmaebooker/](http://www.sarasotacountyschools.net/schools/emmaebooker/)

Emma E. Booker Elementary School is a Title 1 School that serves 524 students in grades Pre-K-5th Grade. A majority of these students qualify for the Free or Reduced Breakfast and Lunch Program, due to their family’s limited income. For the last four years, SKC has

provided Earthboxes and the supplies needed to plant them twice a year. This program gives children the opportunity to learn about the life cycle of plant growth through science, language arts, and reading. It's a hands-on project the children can do themselves by taking on the responsibility of watering, weeding, and ultimately, comparing their plant growth with that of their peers. The importance of a healthy, balanced diet is stressed at all times, and the children are encouraged to sample all they grow.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- periodically working with the Earthboxes to repair, replace, or maintain them,
- volunteering to read, mentor, or tutor a child, starting at only one hour per week, and
- being a classroom assistant.

**Family Promise of Sarasota** (Wendy Fitton, Ex. Dir.)

PO Box 48199

Sarasota, FL 34230

941-952-1800

[www.familypromisesarasota.org](http://www.familypromisesarasota.org)

Family Promise is a volunteer-driven program which provides a unique emergency support system designed to assist homeless families with children in obtaining and retaining permanent housing. Each week a volunteer host congregation provides accommodations, meals, and transportation as needed for the families. Their professional staff provides comprehensive case management services that include job application, interview, and training support; assistance in securing daycare for preschool children and helping homeless children succeed in school; family and financial counseling; and health-care support services.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- being a mealtime host, who helps cook/bring a meal for up to three families (14 people maximum), eat with them, and be at a host church from 5:30-8:30 PM on any given evening.
- being an overnight host, who sleeps at a host church to support families and lock up in the morning as everyone departs,
- volunteering on Saturdays to support and provide references to our guest families as they go about their day at the host church (or as they come and go that day). Shifts range from 2-4 hours, and typically are between 9 AM and 5:30 PM,
- helping to move furniture and/or provide the use of a truck, as needed, to move donated items on the days the families move, from the host church into a home,
- being a bus driver and drive a 15-passenger bus to transport families from the Day Center to the host church between 5-5:30 PM and from the church to our Day Center the following morning between 7-8 AM (good driving records and drivers licenses are required), and
- providing monetary donations to support their program.

**Friendship Centers** (Senior)

1888 Brother Geenen Way

Sarasota, FL 34236

941-955-2122

**Mon. - Fri.: 8:00 a.m. – 5 p.m.**

Senior **Friendship Centers** is a non-profit network of centers in Southwest Florida with services to meet the needs of people 50 and older with locations in Sarasota (Sarasota and Venice), Charlotte (Punta Gorda), Desoto (Arcadia), Lee (Ft. Myers) and Collier (Naples) Counties.

Since the early 1970's this organization has led the country in developing innovative, cost-effective approaches to address the health and wellness needs of older adults. The organization extends into the community with volunteer opportunities for all ages.

**Harvest House** (Erin Minor, Ex. Dir.)

209 N. Lime Ave.

Sarasota, FL 34237

941-228-4310

[www.haresthousedcenters.com](http://www.haresthousedcenters.com)

Harvest House is a transitional center which gives individuals and families an opportunity to break the cycle of homelessness and addiction as they rebuild their lives. It provides innovative treatments and compassionate support services which facilitate life-changing encounters for each man, woman, and child, while passionately pursuing their spiritual growth.

**Volunteer-Opportunities include:**

- working at their food bank to sort, package, and distribute food,
- donating men's, women's, or children's clothing,
- donating household goods or furniture, and
- providing monetary donations to support their program.

**Jordan Prison Ministry** (Maryann Jordan)

3434 Lalani Blvd.

Sarasota FL 34232

941-371-6224

[www.jordanprisonministry.com](http://www.jordanprisonministry.com)

Jordan Prison Ministry is founded on Isaiah 61:1 and dedicated to the

evangelization and discipleship of prisoners. It began in 1975, and was incorporated in 1976 as a tax-exempt, non-profit organization. The testimonies of inmates, families, and chaplains verify that lives are changed for the Glory of our Lord.

**Volunteer opportunities include:**

- donating all occasion cards,
- making Valentine's Day cards,
- donating store-bought cookies at Christmas,
- packaging the cookies into deliverable quantities, and
- providing monetary donations for gas, postage stamps, and general support of their program.

**Meals on Wheels of Sarasota** (Marjorie Broughton, Ex. Dir.)

421 N. Lime Ave.

Sarasota FL 34237

941-366-6693

[www.mealsonwheelsofsarasota.org](http://www.mealsonwheelsofsarasota.org)

Meals on Wheels (MOW) delivers a nutritious, hot meal Monday through Saturday to more than 460 needy residents of Sarasota County who cannot prepare their own food. MOW is not a program for the poor, although many of our clients are low-income residents; rather, we serve people in need. From the financially-disadvantaged to the person recuperating from an injury or illness, all those in need are fed.

Our service area is from University Parkway to Blackburn Point Road, and from I-75 to Siesta and Longboat Keys. This area is divided into twenty-nine, individual routes.

**Volunteer opportunities include:**

- delivering meals to needy individuals during the morning hours, Monday – Saturday. Meals are picked up at the N.

- Lime office, and delivery normally takes 1-1/2 hours,
- packaging meals from 8-11 AM, Monday – Saturday at the N. Lime office,
- providing computer and phone assistance to register clients and process paperwork for the drivers, and
- providing monetary donations to support their program.

### **Paws for Patriots**

Southeast Guide Dogs  
 1618 Main St.  
 Sarasota, FL 34236  
 941-953-2892  
[www.guidedogs.org](http://www.guidedogs.org)

The Paws for Patriots programs serve active duty soldiers and retired servicemen and women with the respect and dignity. Visually-impaired servicemen and veterans are paired with highly trained guide or service dogs, which provide them with confidence, mobility, independence, and the ability to re-integrate into their communities. Additionally, facility dogs, which act as therapy dogs, are placed in military hospitals to spread cheer and encouragement and help wounded warriors heal from their injuries.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- donating \$200 to purchase an engraved brick for the Veterans Courtyard,
- volunteering at the Palmetto facility to assist staff by working with the puppies and dogs in the Puppy and Training Kennels, and
- volunteering to assist customers in the Gift Shop.

### **Pines of Sarasota Foundation** (Estelle Crawford, Pres.)

1501 North Orange Avenue  
 Sarasota, FL 34236  
 (941) 955-6293  
[www.pinesofsarasota.org](http://www.pinesofsarasota.org)

A rehabilitation and Senior Care Community—a legacy of compassionate care. The Pines first pioneered skilled nursing care in our region when it opened over 65 years ago. A not-for-profit provider of rehabilitation services, geriatric healthcare, education and support. Numerous volunteer activities are available.

### **Resurrection House** (David A. Proch, Ex. Dir.)

507 Kumquat Court  
 Sarasota, FL 34230  
 941-365-3759  
[www.resurrectionhousesarasota.org](http://www.resurrectionhousesarasota.org)

Resurrection House is a faith-based resource center committed to the alleviation of the suffering of homeless men, women, and children by offering physical, emotional, and spiritual help. Their range of services includes showers, restrooms, laundry and post office facilities, counseling, medical treatment, food, clothing, phones, and veteran’s assistance.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- volunteering to assist the staff in providing their multitude of services and
- making a monetary donation to support their programs

**Salvation Army** (Major Ethan Frizzell)

1400 10<sup>th</sup> St.  
Sarasota, FL 34236  
941-954-4673  
www.salvationarmyusa.org

The Salvation Army is an evangelical part of the Universal Christian Church, and its heart in Sarasota is the Corps Community Center. It provides life-changing programs and services, including meals, emergency housing, transitional family housing, financial assistance, and disaster assistance, with accountability attached.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- donating cars, furniture, clothing, or household goods,
- getting involved by visiting [www.volunteermatch.org](http://www.volunteermatch.org) and embracing one of the many available volunteer positions (the keyword is Salvation Army), and
- providing a monetary donation to support their programs.

**Selah Freedom** (Elizabeth Melendez Fisher, Pres./CEO)

PO Box 21415  
Sarasota, FL 34276  
941-348-9141  
www.selahfreedom.com

Selah Freedom exists to confront the issues of sex trafficking and sexual exploitation through advocacy, training, and restorative services. It provides a safe house and support and counseling services to victims of sexual abuse and the modern-day slave trade and connects them with other organizations that offer medical treatment, GED classes, and job training.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- donating clothing, toiletries, furniture, or household goods,
- volunteering your services by visiting [volunteer@selahfreedom.com](mailto:volunteer@selahfreedom.com), and finding the job that fits you,
- providing a monetary donation to support their programs.

**Take Stock in Children** (Lisa Bechtold, Ex. Dir.)

PO Box 48186  
Sarasota, FL 34230  
941-358-4407  
www.takestock Sarasota.com

Take Stock in Children provides scholarships, mentors, and hope to at-risk students. Students attending middle and high school pledge to meet regularly with their mentor, maintain academic standards, and remain drug and crime-free on the way to achieving a high school diploma. The reward for fulfilling these commitments is a four-year scholarship to a Florida state college, university, or vocational school. The program has been very successful and maintains a 94% high school graduation rate.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- becoming a mentor and
- providing a donation to support the program.



## **Young Life Sarasota** (Eric Hoskins, Area Dir.)

PO Box 3945

Sarasota, FL 34230

941-224-7036

[www.sarasota.younglife.org](http://www.sarasota.younglife.org)

Young Life Sarasota's multi-cultural ministry focuses on high school kids in diverse communities. They believe in the power of presence. Kids' lives are dramatically impacted because caring adults come alongside them, sharing God's love with them. Because their leader believes in them, they begin to see that their lives have great worth, meaning, and purpose.

### **Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- joining the Prayer or Leader Care Teams to encourage the students and/or leaders,
- joining the Community Relations Team to encourage students to join YL,
- joining the Donation Care Team to thank donors for their contributions,
- becoming personally involved in their programs, and
- providing monetary donations to support their program.

## **Regional Agencies**

### **Beth-El Farmworkers Ministry, Inc.** (Kathleen Dain, Ex. Dir.)

8240 Highway 301 South

PO Box 860

Wimauma, FL 33598

813-633-1548

[www.beth-el.info](http://www.beth-el.info)

Beth-El is a Presbyterian Mission, supported by five Presbyteries. It helps farmworkers achieve self-sufficiency through its open opportunities to worship, its extensive educational programs for all ages, and the many services it provides to meet basic needs.

### **Volunteer Opportunities include:** (Contact Bob Million for details @349-4867)

- traveling to Beth-El every Monday measure out rice and beans
- traveling to Beth-El every Tuesday to distribute grocery bags to families
- traveling to Beth-El the last Friday of each month to help bag groceries, organize donations, or whatever and
- providing monetary donations to support their programs.

### **Coalition of Immokalee Workers** (Lucas Benitez)

110 S. 2<sup>nd</sup> St.

Immokalee, FL 34142

239-657-8311

[ciw-online.org](http://ciw-online.org)

The Coalition of Immokalee Workers (CIW) is a worker-based human rights organization internationally recognized for its

achievements in the fields of corporate social responsibility, community organizing, and sustainable food. The CIW is also a leader in the growing movement to end human trafficking due to its groundbreaking work to combat modern-day slavery and other labor abuses common in agriculture. The CIW works in three broad and overlapping spheres: the Campaign for Fair Food, the Fair Food Program, and the Anti-Slavery Campaign.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- working on one of their programs or campaigns and
- providing monetary donations to support their programs/campaigns.

## National Projects

### St. Paul Mission Grade School

Attn: Sister Helen Durso, Principal  
1 Mission Cantor Road  
P.O. Box 40  
Hays, MT 59527  
406-673-3123

The St. Paul Mission Grade School provides educational opportunities to the children of the Assiniboine and Gros Ventre tribes in Hays, Montana, which is located on the Fort Belknap Indian Reservation. Mission Grade School is a tuition-free, private school that serves 103 low-income students in grades K-6. Our support helps to provide a full-time classroom teacher through Jesuit Volunteer Corps – Northwest, as well as much needed supplies for classrooms and funding for learning opportunities that the children would not otherwise have.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- making monetary donations to support the school.

## International Projects

### Coalition of Children in Need (C.O.C.I.N.A.)

COCINA is a U.S.-based 501© charitable organization that was established to provide financial and management support as well as foster U.S./Haitian partnerships to aid a Christian-based private school (Institution Univers) in Ouanaminthe, Haiti.

Since its beginning in 1990, COCINA has grown from a humble one room pre-school into multiple initiatives including a preschool-13th grade school, a 3-story hospital, an adult vocational school and, a poultry farm.

COCINA believes the only avenue to eradicating poverty in Haiti is through quality education, healthcare, and economic development for its citizens. COCINA's board of directors are all volunteers and its paid leadership, on the front lines in Haiti, are all Haitians who receive fair compensation and treatment in their occupations.

COCINA is helping thousands of individuals and families in Ouanaminthe to improve their standard of living by providing access to quality education, unrivaled healthcare and grassroots economic development. We support change in Haiti from the inside out.

**Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- making monetary donations to support their program.

## **Presbyterian Disaster Assistance**

5600 Peace River Rd.

North Port, FL 34287

941-426-8421

[www.peaceriverpresbytery.org](http://www.peaceriverpresbytery.org)

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is the emergency and refugee program of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. The core budget, including staff and administrative costs, is funded through the One Great Hour of Sharing, and its program work is additionally funded through designated gifts.

### **Volunteer Opportunities include:**

- volunteering to help those in need after a disaster,
- housing a refugee, and
- providing a monetary donation to support their programs.

*Give justice to the weak  
and the fatherless;  
maintain the right of the  
afflicted and destitute*

Psalm 82:3

*For I know the plans  
I have for you,  
declares the Lord,  
plans to prosper you  
and not to harm you,  
plans to give you hope  
and a future.*

Jeremiah 29:11

| <b>Agency</b>                             | <b>Liaison</b> |
|---|----------------|
| All Faiths Food Bank                      | Ralph & Sid    |
| Beth-El Ministries                        | Bob & Sid      |
| Coalition of Immokalee Workers            | Bob            |
| Jordan Prison Ministries                  | Joyce & Nicky  |
| Resurrection House                        | Dave & Pete    |
| Salvation Army                            | Dave & Pete    |
| Southeastern Guide Dogs-Paws for Patriots | Jan & Nicky    |
| Blue Star Mothers                         | Jan            |
| Family Promise                            | Joyce & Nicky  |
| Young Life                                | Ralph & Ann    |
| Brothers & Sisters Doing the Right Thing  | Joyce          |
| Backpacks4Kids                            | Ralph & Sid    |
| Emma E. Booker Elementary - Earthboxes    | Joyce          |
| C.O.C.I.N.A.                              | Fred & Nicky   |
| St Paul Mission School                    | Jan & Jenny    |
| Pastor's Discretionary Fund               | Kathi & Fred   |
| Harvest House                             | Fred & Linda   |
| Meals on Wheels of Sarasota               | Ralph          |
| Selah Freedom                             | Fred & Linda   |
| The Pines of Sarasota                     | Fred & Joyce   |
| Sarasota Friendship Centers               | Fred & Pete    |
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