

2023-2024 Funded Programs



INCOME PROGRAMS



Adults who are financially stable are less likely to live on the streets, engage in crime and risky behaviors and develop health problems. Income-based programs allow adults to find and maintain jobs, secure housing, build valuable skills so they can earn more, pay down debt, develop assets and save for the future. At the Town of Palm Beach United Way, we know that the entire community benefits when families and individuals achieve financial stability.

Access to Jobs and Job Skills

El Sol—English as a Second Language

El Sol's English as a Second Language program offers clients the opportunity to learn English, integrate into the community, and acquire jobs. Curriculum focuses on navigating the American healthcare and financial systems, and teaches vocabulary for work and everyday life. Students also learn the norms of American culture by having teachers explain idiomatic expressions, terms, and traditions.

The Lord's Place—Café Joshua Job Training and Employment

Café Joshua is a comprehensive job training and employment program for homeless and formerly incarcerated adults. The program offers career assessment and planning; job coaching; job skills classes; digital literacy instruction; social enterprise-based job training; cognitive-behavioral intervention workshops; GED/Adult Literacy tutoring; job development; and job placement and retention support.

Project LIFT—Job Readiness

The Job Readiness program provides access to jobs and vocational training for youth ages 17-25 who are not enrolled in school. Participants are trained in welding, carpentry, HVAC and more, and connected with industry partners in need of skilled employees. Career counseling supports the teens' transition and success in the workplace.



Food Pantries

Boca Helping Hands—Backpacks

Boca Helping Hands' Backpacks program provides food insecure students with non-perishable, easy-to-prepare meals to ensure they get enough to eat on weekends (when they can't depend on school meals). Each Friday during the school year, Boca Helping Hands sends children home with a box full of meals, snacks, and drinks that meet recommended dietary guidelines.

Boca Helping Hands—Pantry

The Boca Helping Hands Pantry Program provides pantry bags of groceries to Palm Beach County residents living at 130% or below of the federal poverty level. Bags are distributed by staff and volunteers at five locations in Palm Beach County.

Food Pantries continued

CROS Ministries—Community Food Pantry

The Community Food Pantry program consists of seven food pantries serving 14 different Palm Beach County locations and two warehouses for storage. Its purpose is to increase access of nutritious food for families and individuals who are hungry or food insecure. Community partnerships help provide additional food-related assistance, such as applying for SNAP benefits.



El Sol—El Sol Kitchen

El Sol's Kitchen provides breakfast, a to-go lunch, and hot meals for day laborers waiting for work in El Sol's Labor Hall in Jupiter. The program ensures day laborers receive at least one balanced meal a day and gives them the energy needed to complete hard outdoor work. Clients also benefit by saving money earned from work for bills rather than food expenses.

The Glades Initiative—Glades Food Security

The Glades Food Security program improves access to healthy, affordable food and other vital services for Glades residents. Weekly food distribution averages 935 residents in 325 households. Clients receive help applying for SNAP/Medicaid benefits, and emergency rent/utility assistance. The Glades Initiative Food Bank supports 8 partner agencies with food.

Housing and Community Based Support

211 Palm Beach—2-1-1 Helpline

211 Helpline provides 24-hour information and referral services, crisis de-escalation, and suicide prevention. Call specialists help connect people to resources when they have had a crisis and need financial assistance. They also provide disaster-related support and have six internal programs (for seniors, children, veterans, etc.) for more in-depth support.

Adopt-A-Family—Housing Stabilization

Adopt-A-Family's Housing Stabilization Program prevents homelessness for lower-income Palm Beach County families who can't pay their rent because they're enduring an unanticipated crisis – typically an illness, injury, or job loss. By providing short-term rent/utility assistance augmented by case management, the program provides a safety net while families return to self-reliance.

Adopt-A-Family—Program REACH

Program REACH is Palm Beach County's primary emergency shelter for families experiencing homelessness, providing 19 units of 90-day interim housing paired with support services. Case management helps families overcome barriers and identify housing options. Program supports include tutoring, budget coaching, computer access, food pantry, and a clothing closet.

Adopt-A-Family—Service Enriched Housing

Service Enriched Housing is an affordable housing program that provides a path to homeownership and/or financial independence for 31 employed Palm Beach County families who otherwise would struggle to maintain housing. Through case management, financial literacy education and a unique rent structure, residents can break the cycle of paycheck-to-paycheck living while building savings.



Housing and Community Support continued

Farmworker Coordinating Council—Family Preservation

The Family Preservation and Economic Stabilization program focuses on assisting low income farm workers and their families to reduce their risk of becoming homeless or suffering from hunger. Based in Lake Worth and Belle Glade, the program provides a variety of services such as Case Management, Emergency Rental Assistance, Financial Education, Distribution of Food and Clothing, Transportation, Referrals and additional services that promote self-sufficiency.

The Lord's Place—Alexander Place

Alexander Place provides supportive housing to 37 families experiencing homelessness. The campus provides comprehensive wraparound services, including case management, peer support, benefits navigation, job training and placement, adult basic education and GED tutoring, parenting classes, life skills workshops, and health care and coordination. Alexander Place also operates a Youth Services Program for school-aged children living at the campus.

The Lord's Place—Street Outreach and Engagement

The Street Outreach and Engagement Program builds relationships with individuals and families experiencing unsheltered homelessness and connects them to community resources and services, including basic needs (food, clothing, ID's, hygiene items), benefits (SNAP, Social Security, health insurance), and housing.

Vita Nova—Supported Living for LGBTQ Youth

The LGBTQ Supportive Housing Program at Vita Nova is designed to assist LGBTQ youth (most of whom have aged out of the foster system) live independently by focusing on 5 core outcome areas: financial literacy, social/emotional health, vocational training, educational planning and health & wellness. These outcomes will be achieved by first providing safe, stable and appropriate housing.

Domestic Violence

Aid to Victims of Domestic Violence—Extended Shelter

AVDA's Extended Shelter provides safe housing, food, and comprehensive supportive services to victims of domestic violence who have extenuating circumstances that require an extended length of stay beyond the six weeks in AVDA's emergency shelter to move into violence-free living.

Aid to Victims of Domestic Violence—Outreach

AVDA's Outreach program is comprised of supportive services for survivors and community-based prevention. Trauma-informed, empowerment-based services include individual and group support, legal advocacy, financial literacy, and safety planning. Prevention programming offers age-appropriate education for youth and adults to improve community response and reduce the occurrence of domestic violence.

HomeSafe—SafetyNet

SafetyNet offers a full spectrum of prevention and intervention services for victims of family violence, including year-round adult, teen, and child therapeutic support groups, individual



therapy, crisis intervention, preventive education and court advocacy. The goal is to prevent the cycle of violence from perpetuating from generation to generation.

YWCA of Palm Beach County—Harmony House

YWCA's Harmony House program offers assistance to victims of domestic violence so they can escape their abusers. The program provides shelter, outreach, individual/group therapy, financial literacy, employment assistance, and safety planning among other services to empower survivors to rebuild their lives and live a life free of abuse.