

RESCUE & RECOVERY OCTOBER 2023



THANKSGIVING & CHRISTMAS JOY ARE ON THE WAY



Did you know the Thanksgiving and Christmas seasons bring a lot of attention to the needs of the homeless and poor families we serve. In fact, the funds you provided throughout the year and the Thanksgiving Holidays will truly make a way where sometimes it seems there is no way.

It's important that the poor and homeless are not invisible these last two months of the year. Thank God they have not been invisible to you. You've made a difference to those we serve because of your generosity.

It's exciting to share with you the many ways your generosity gives back and grows capacity of this ministry to do more. I hope you enjoy this month's news and the tremendous impact you are making by God's blessing and His sovereign care.

God Bless,

Steve Turbeville, Executive Director

HOLIDAY FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION

WE ARE PREPARING NOW!

During the Holiday Season last year, our generous supporters made it possible to supply over **116,000** meals, including more than **1,700** food boxes to the poor and at risk population of West Central Florida.



APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE AT OUR THRIFT STORE LOCATIONS OR YOU CAN SCAN THE CODE WITH YOUR DEVICE FOR MORE INFORMATION AND DOWNLOAD AN APPLICATION TO BE TURNED IN.

HOLIDAY FOOD BOXES & CHRISTMAS TOY APPLICATIONS

Thanksgiving

FOOD BOX APPLICATIONS

Applications Available
THROUGH OCTOBER 27, 2023

Christmas

FOOD & TOY BOX APPLICATIONS

Applications Available
THROUGH - NOVEMBER 17, 2023

Applicants will be notified of acceptance the same day as completed application is approved and will receive an appointment card for pick-up time.



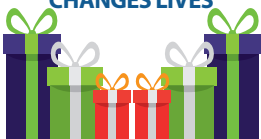
Fill out one application to apply for both Holidays!



But do not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased Hebrews 13:16



YOUR DONATIONS GIVE HOPE THAT CHANGES LIVES



THANK YOU!

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTMAS TOY DRIVE

Because of the generosity of Ray Gillen from Urban Tropical Fish Farms and other faithful partners Lighthouse Ministries has been able to provide Christmas Toys for children in our communities.

Please bring your new, unwrapped gifts for children from infants to 15 years to one of our toy boxes at local businesses and churches near you.

- Mulling insurance
- Lakeland Jeep Club
- Spessard Holland Elementary
- United Community Church
- Love Chiropractic
- Revive Church
- Highlands Church Of God
- McKeel Academy Central
- Regal Chevy/GMC
- Lakeland Automall
- OMS

- Wilson Electric
- Citizen Bank & Trust
- Publix Benefits Administration
- Regal GMC/Honda
- Griffin Baptist Church
- Crestview Baptist Church
- Calvary Baptist Church
- American Baptist Church
- Chick-Fil-A North, South, WH
- LaPetite Academy
- Southside Assembly

- Parkway Baptist
- Remax Paramount
- Cleveland Heights Baptist
- Trinity Baptist
- Edgewood Baptist Church
- Mulberry Christian Academy
- Mt. Olive Baptist Church
- All State Insurance
- Urban Tropical
- American Signature Furniture

List is not exhaustive

LIGHTHOUSE RESIDENTS CONTINUING ON THE PATHWAYS TO PROGRESS

The Lighthouse Pathways to Progress are: Spiritual growth, Community, Education and Work Life. In the LMI Adult learning center all of these steps are weaved together through the course curriculum.

We are celebrating three more Florida Ready to Work graduates. This course provides employability and soft skills training. These credentials are signed by Governor Ron DeSantis and recognized as a common measure of foundational skill readiness for most jobs across industry sectors.

Peter - came out of the street life: violence, gangs, girls, alcohol and drugs. Peter worked to remove himself from his past and began a family. Through time his family broke up and Peter ended up here in Florida. His time here at the Lighthouse is allowing him to not set productive goals, and take the steps to reach those goal.

Josh - Josh came to Lighthouse though the Rescue Mission and was only interested in a place to stay and some food. He considered himself a satanist and was antagonistic to the Gospel. Through the loving interaction from the staff and residents, as well as the faithful preaching of the Word that all changed.



Peter, Josh & Bill receiving their Florida Ready to Work Certificates

Today Josh is a follower off Christ and is walking the Pathways to progress. These credentials are one more step on the path.

Bill - Bill is an Army veteran who's childhood left him not understanding how to truly love. This led to a couple of broken marriages and him being estranged from his children. Today he is seeing that through it all God has a plan for him and has been faithful to fulfill that plan.

Bill is also continuing the Pathways to Progress, immersing himself in the Word of God while waiting on Him.

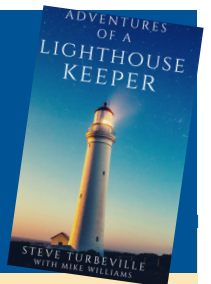
All of these steps are being taken because generous partners like you continue to Give Hope that Changes Lives!

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Go to Lighthousemin.org

for updates, to order the book or to schedule a tour!

Scan the QR code to request your copy.



CELEBRATING YOUR IMPACT THROUGH SEPTEMBER 2023

119,503

Nutritious Meals Provided

31,919

Nights of Shelter

572

Homeless Sheltered (Non-Duplicate)

118

Life Learning Residents Served

4,071

Individuals Served

68

Community Homeless Housed or Stabilized

3,549

Gospel Communications

150

Faith Decisions

Your generosity allows Lighthouse Ministries to offer Rescue & Recovery environments to at-risk people that offer dignity and a better quality of life through the power of the Gospel. Thank you for Giving Hope that Changes Lives!



For more information on the ministries of Lighthouse go to

www.lighthousemin.org

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