

PINELLAS COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES SOCIAL ACTION GRANT FUNDING

FISCAL YEAR 2024 Total Program Funding: \$1,551,000.00 *Total Program funding if an additional 10% is approved: \$1,706,100.00

| Organization | Funding Amount | Priority Area | Summary |
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| Abilities, Inc. of Florida dba ServiceSource | \$85,000.00 | Homeless Prevention | Warrior Bridge is a program for homeless veterans. Participants will be offered employment services for veterans with disabilities:, interview/work attire for veterans, home starter kits (basic household items) to veterans transitioning out of homelessness, and social service referrals to local, state, and federal organizations and agencies. |
| Boley Centers Homeless Outreach | \$73,600.00 | Homeless Prevention | The Outreach Coordinator will provide direct service, including outreach and engagement activities to a minimum of 25 people per month. The Outreach Coordinator identifies the homeless individuals with the highest vulnerability and service needs, locates the people (in shelters, on the streets, encampments, etc.) and begins working with them to ensure their immediate needs are met while gathering the needed documents to get the person "document ready" to enter housing. Once housed, direct services will include assessment of needs, development of a plan to access needed services and supports, psychiatric treatment to help ease the symptoms of mental illness, co-occurring substance use treatment when needed, skills training, psycho-social group activities and assistance getting immediate needs met (emergency medical and dental care, clothing, etc.). Services at the Safe Haven are on-going until placement into permanent supported housing occurs. |
| Community Action Stops Abuse, Inc. | \$100,000.00 | Homeless Prevention | Emergency shelter and temporary housing for survivors of domestic violence and their children. Residential life advocates at the shelter assist in promoting the well-being of shelter residents by providing crisis intervention, conflict resolution, safety planning, and support. They are responsible to promote safety and security during the survivors' stay, and cleanliness of the shelter. Case management advocates provide case management, advocacy, and crisis intervention to survivors of domestic violence and their children who are residing at shelter, answer the domestic violence hotline, and provide quality services to callers. |

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| Community Health Centers of Pinellas, Inc. dba- Evara Health | \$150,00.00 | Healthcare and Human Services for Disadvantaged | Through the Largo Dental program, Evara will provide the full scope of comprehensive dental services for pediatric and adult patients, including emergency, preventative, and restorative care. Dental services will be provided to patients by board-certified dentists and registered dental hygienists. |
| Dunedin Cares, Inc. | \$60,000.00 | Food and Nutritional Services | Dunedin Cares works to source fresh produce, provide dairy (milk and butter), eggs, meats and as well as grocery items for guests with specific dietary needs (e.g., diabetic, gluten-free, low sodium). The pantry serves guests are the elderly (65+), young families with children, veterans, single parents and the homeless. |
| F.E.A.S.T. Inc. | \$45,959.64 | Food and Nutritional Services | The FEAST Food Pantry provides perishable and non-perishable food as well as personal care items to Pinellas County residents in need. Residents may visit the facility on Nebraska Avenue in Palm Harbor to receive a 3–4-day supply of food based on their family size. They distribute bags of shelf-stable food, including canned and boxed items for families. In addition, they provide perishable food staples such as meat, eggs, milk, and fresh produce, which helps to create a balanced diet for their families. They also receive personal care items such as toilet paper, toothpaste, and other hygiene products not permitted for purchase under SNAP. Currently, people can visit the pantry twice a month to receive food for their families. |
| Florida Dream Center, Inc. | \$99,999.00 | Food and Nutritional Services | Through the Mobile Food Bank the Food Bank coordinator and staff will collect food, prepare food boxes with nutritional meals, and distribute the boxes throughout the community. In addition, the Coordinator is also responsible for addressing the emergent needs of food to the participating clients within the case management program. |
| Healthy Start Coalition of Pinellas, Inc. | \$95,111.00 | Healthcare and Human Services for Disadvantaged Residents | The Coalition provides a "Safe Baby Sleep Kit" that includes items required to keep infants safe including): 1 Pack and Play portable crib, supporting educational materials, fitted sheets, other newborn items such as a Halo sleep sack, safe sleep baby book, diapers, and boppys. |
| Homeless Leadership Alliance of Pinellas, Inc. | \$143,785.17 | Homeless Prevention | Two (2) Rapid Resolution Specialists and 20% of a Program Manager Helping who will help families in a crisis with community navigation. |
| Hope Villages of America | \$74,463.19 | Food and Nutritional Services | Combats food insecurity in Pinellas County through a food bank, delivery to 60+ food pantries, the mobile food pantry and the Express Center. The food pantries are located throughout Pinellas County with a focus being on the neighborhoods with higher food insecurity levels. The Mobile Food Pantry serves 18 total sites with a focus on communities with food insecurity and populations that may lack access to reliable transportation. The sites are prioritized to ensure placement in the highest food-insecure regions of the county. |

| Humane Society of Pinellas | \$65,630.00 | Supportive Services for an Aging Population | The Senior Pet Connection Program (SPC) is designed to keep senior, low-income community members and their pets together. On a monthly basis, low-income senior community members, many of which are homebound, receive free cat food, dog food, and/or cat litter delivered directly to their home. |
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| Lighthouse of Pinellas | \$17,500.00 | Healthcare and Human Services for Disadvantaged Residents | Life Skills Program helps visually impaired children ages 0-13 progress through normative developmental stages established by the American Association of Pediatrics, and fosters early literacy, increased independence, self-care skills, enhanced social interaction, and the enjoyment of recreation and leisure activities. |
| Seniors in Service of Tampa Bay, Inc. | \$99,952.00 | Supportive Services for an Aging Population | Senior Companion Services will provide in-home/phone companionship services to 50 low-income elders. The program engages seniors to volunteer their time as in-home companions to elderly citizens in Pinellas, and through phone support when in-home is not available. All volunteers in this program are background certified, provided with 20 hours of on the job training, and monthly training opportunities on elder-centric topics, and are matched with their clients based on similar interests and cultures. |
| Society of St. Vincent De Paul South Pinellas, Inc. | \$150,000.00 | Food and Nutritional Services | The CARE Center, with the support of the Food Center, is a Housing First shelter open 7 days a week to provide safe, overnight sleeping accommodations for 70 homeless persons indoors, as well as feed shelter guests, street homeless, and the community. During the day, guests have access to showers and referrals for outside services as needed. |
| St. Petersburg Free Clinic | \$90,000.00 | Food and Nutritional Services | SPFC food programs consist of our three pantry locations (one indoor choice pantry and two drive-thrus), a community food bank, and specialized child and youth-serving partners. The pantry offers necessary food and personal hygiene items for individuals and families utilizing a client choice model, which allows individuals to select the food and basic items they need while providing a dignified market experience. |
| The Shirley Proctor Puller Foundation | \$50,00.00 | Healthcare and Human Services for Disadvantaged Residents | SPPF MASTR Kids Program is an academic enrichment program serving K-8th graders in the "at-risK" community of south St. Pete. with a goal of closing the achievement gap. SPPF provides tools and support through our programs, as well as free book distribution at community events to continually promoting reading as a catalyst for literacy. The SPPF M.A.S.T.R. Kids program after-school program provides services 5 days a week from August through May. |

| WestCare GulfCoast – Florida, Inc. | \$150,000.00 | Homeless Prevention | A Turning Point (ATP) is the only inebriate-receiving shelter in Pinellas County. The funding being requested is for staffing and extending the length of stay, as well as Mustard Seed Inn Transitional Housing. |
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| Local Community Housing Corporation* | \$106,154.00 | Homeless Prevention | Home Share Pinellas is a long term (years) or short term (one year) affordable solution that empowers significant financial relief and well-being. Homeowners and renters are matched after an extensive screening process and face to face meetings. Home sharing programs offer a common-sense approach and can help seniors age in place, assist people with disabilities to be more independent, and secure very affordable housing. Data shows positive health outcomes for home sharing and significant financial benefits for home providers and renters. It is also a cost-effective because it doesn't require building new housing or ongoing rental subsidies. |
| Metropolitan Ministries, Inc.* | \$48,946.00 | Homeless Prevention | This grant will fund the case management portion of Inspire Hope Pinellas. The Case Manager provides weekly case management to families in the program, helping them to gain stable housing (if needed), set goals, and access resources for employment, education, health, mental health, childcare, financial wellness, and any other needs related to self-sufficiency. |

*Pending approval of additional funding