

# COMMUNITY SERVICE FOUNDATION, INC.

Message from the Board of Trustees President: Bill Mantooth

## **Our Promise**

It is with a deep sense of gratitude that we present our FY 2022-2023 annual report, providing a comprehensive overview of the community betterment initiatives undertaken in Pinellas County. We are driven by the promise of supporting our community in perpetuity.

By fostering partnerships, engaging with local leaders, and aligning our efforts with the evolving needs of the community, we lay the groundwork for sustained impact. We understand that the path to perpetuity requires adaptability, innovation, and collaboration, and we are committed to navigating these challenges with diligence and foresight.

As we celebrate the positive outcomes achieved through our philanthropic endeavors, we recognize that there is still much work to be done. Moving forward, we remain committed to expanding our efforts, collaborating with stakeholders like you, and leveraging our resources to create a more sustainable and inclusive future.

Let our commitment to community service remain unwavering and may the bonds we have forged continue to strengthen and inspire us toward a future where our community thrives in perpetuity.

Thank you for being a valued part of our journey.

## FY 2022-2023 Annual Report

### Executive Summary

At the Community Service Foundation, our commitment to transparent reporting, sustainable value creation, and perpetual community support remains unwavering. It is with this sense of responsibility that we share our Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Annual Report with you.

We believe that transparency is the foundation of trust, and therefore, we provide clear and comprehensive insights into our activities, impact, and financial stewardship. In this year's report, you will find detailed information on our initiatives, partnerships, and the allocation of resources. We are committed to open communication, and our financial disclosures adhere to the highest standards, ensuring that our stakeholders can make informed decisions about our foundation's direction and impact.

Sustainability is not just a buzzword for us—it is a guiding principle that shapes our approach to community outreach and service. Our initiatives are designed with a focus on creating enduring value for the community, balancing short-term gains with long-term impact. We prioritize projects that care for the vulnerable and marginalized, which contributes to the social, economic, and environmental well-being of the communities we serve.

In the pages of this annual report, you will find the testimony of collective efforts, the milestones reached, and the lives we touched. This reveals the incredible potential that lies within a community that shares a common vision and works tirelessly towards a brighter, more inclusive tomorrow.

Notable FY 2022-2023 CSF highlights include:

1. Financial assets of \$2,730,102.00
2. 21 Homeless U.S. veterans provided housing in the Team Veteran Program
3. Average rental rate for 1 bedroom unit of \$952 vs Pinellas County market rate of \$1,600, and
4. \$591,962 invested to preserve 39 properties.

We are proud to acknowledge the remarkable strides made to restore Lake Belleview, provide homes for homeless U.S. veterans and senior citizens, preserve affordable housing properties for low-income families and create a platform where open communication can thrive for all citizens. This is our commission.

**Our Promise**, to environmental stewardship. This is expressed in the successful restoration efforts of Lake Belleview. Through collaboration with environmental organizations and the concerted efforts of the community, we achieved the following milestones:

1. **Water Quality Improvement:** Rigorous water quality testing and remediation efforts have significantly improved the health of Lake Belleview, fostering a thriving ecosystem for aquatic life.
2. **Community Engagement:** We actively engaged with residents, schools, and businesses to raise awareness about the importance of preserving our natural resources. Community-led initiatives, such as shoreline cleanups and educational programs featuring the Birds of the Belle calendar, have strengthened our collective commitment to environmental conservation.

**Our Promise**, to support those who have served our country. This materialized in the Team Veteran program, providing stable housing for homeless U.S. veterans. This initiative has made a lasting impact through:

1. **Veteran Housing Units:** Together with our partners, we have successfully renovated 5 housing units specifically designed to meet the transitional housing needs of homeless U.S. veterans.
2. **Comprehensive Support Services:** Beyond housing, we have collaborated with veteran support organizations to provide essential services, including mental health counseling, job placement assistance and educational resources.

**Our Promise**, to recognize the importance of maintaining affordable housing options for our community's most vulnerable. We actively worked to preserve our property portfolio and ensure long-term affordability. Our achievements include:

1. **Property Rehabilitation:** Through strategic investments and partnerships, we have rehabilitated and preserved 39 affordable housing properties, offering stable homes for low-income families.
2. **Senior Housing:** In partnership with the Pinellas Community Foundation, we renovated a 5-unit rental property dedicated to seniors. Beyond just a roof over their heads, this is about fostering a sense of community, promoting social connections, and ensuring access to essential services that contribute to a fulfilling and enriching life in their golden years.
3. **Plumb House Preservation:** The benefits of preserving the Plumb House, built in 1896, extend far beyond its physical structure. It is a bridge to our past, a source of inspiration, and a catalyst for positive change in our community. We are championing the cause of

heritage tourism, as we work together with the City of Clearwater and the Clearwater Historical Society to create a vibrant and culturally rich destination that will leave a legacy for generations to come.

**Our Promise**, to see the needs of others and respond with aid. The community outreach section of the annual report highlights the profound impact of serving as a catalyst to convene our community. In the spirit of togetherness, resilience, and shared heritage, we have witnessed the transformative power of these collective experiences.

The Clearwater United Initiative with the Felinos Soccer Club is just one step in our ongoing commitment to building trust and collaboration with the Hispanic population and all members of our community. Our active choice to engage with and care for others aims to humanize law enforcement, dispel stereotypes, and create lasting connections to create a safer and more unified community.

Throughout the year, we hosted an annual Lake Belleview Community Dinner, Holiday Celebration, and semi-annual neighborhood clean-ups. Each event served as a catalyst for connection, fostering a sense of belonging and unity among our diverse members. Through shared stories, rituals, and experiences, we deepened our understanding of one another, transcending differences and building a foundation of mutual respect.

None of these achievements would have been possible without the support of our stakeholders, community partners, donors, sponsors, and dedicated volunteers. As we move forward, let us carry the lessons of the past year with us – the lessons of resilience, compassion, and the profound impact that comes from working hand in hand.

The greatness of a community is most accurately measured by the compassionate actions of its members, a heart of grace, and a soul generated by love.

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# Community Service Foundation

Fiscal Year 2022-2023

## Annual Report

At the Community Service Foundation, Inc. (CSF) a 501C-3, not-for-profit organization, Federal ID Number 59-0866939, we embrace our responsibility to the community, donors, and volunteers who guided CSF to where it is today. Thanks to the financial legacy that created this Foundation in 1944 by Willis T. Spivey of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and the many other partners since, CSF stewards community assets entrusted to us with the principle of perpetuity and with collective impact as our goal.

CSF has the power to transform our community with Fiscal Year 2022-2023 financial assets of a net fund balance of \$2,730,102.00. To view the CSF's audited financial statements, federal tax return, quarterly investment performance, and most recent grants, go online to CSFhome.org.

Our Board of Trustees sets the direction and standard for everything we do, ensuring stability and integrity. It is a board of leaders, whose individual talents are bested only by their collective commitment to core values. CSF Board of Trustees include its executive team: President Bill Mantooth; Vice President Lisa Langan; Treasurer Harry Jamieson and Secretary Curtis Chambers and trustees John Cunningham; Susan Lindelof, Bill Drugash; Kathy Wright, Derek Johnson and Bridgette Domingos.

Sustainability is not just a buzzword for us—it is a guiding principle that shapes our approach to community outreach and service. Our initiatives are intentionally designed with the purpose of creating enduring value for the community, balancing short-term gains with long-term impact. We prioritize projects that care for the vulnerable and marginalized, which contributes to the social, economic, and environmental well-being of the communities we serve.

We are proud to acknowledge the remarkable strides made in FY 2022-2023 to restore Lake Belleview, provide homes for homeless U.S. veterans and senior citizens, preserve affordable housing properties for low-income families and create a platform where open communication can thrive for all citizens. The collective impact we achieve is the true promise of a community foundation. This is our commission:

**Environmental stewardship:** See Supplement No 1.

Lake Belleview, with its three freshwater springs, not only provides a picturesque backdrop to our community but serves as a vital ecosystem supporting diverse flora and fauna. Unfortunately, the serenity of this natural haven is marred by the accumulation of trash in and around the waterways, threatening the delicate balance of our local environment.

To address this pressing issue, CSF coordinated community efforts to clean up the trash around and, in the lake; supported ongoing efforts of a five-year study to monitor the water quality,

liaised with Florida Fish and Wildlife Commission to manage the fish population and published the third annual Birds of the Belle calendar to promote awareness of Lake Belleview.

The 62 species of birds that call Lake Belleview home are not only a source of natural beauty but also integral to the ecological equilibrium. Additionally, the lake holds special significance for our low-income residents, providing them with a peaceful retreat and a connection to nature that is often scarce in urban settings. By mobilizing volunteers and resources, we will restore the beauty of this natural gem and ensure its continued role as a sanctuary for both wildlife and neighbors.

**Home for Homeless Veterans and Seniors:** See Supplement No.2

**Team Veteran:** In the land of the free and the home of the brave, the disquieting reality is that one in eleven homeless citizens is a veteran, which casts a somber shadow on the nation's commitment to those who have served. The very individuals who dedicated themselves to defending the ideals of freedom find themselves grappling with homelessness upon their return.

As we confront this poignant paradox, CSF committed its resources to create Team Veteran, a program that designates its rental properties to address the transitional and permanent housing needs of homeless U.S. veterans and commits to a demonstration project to build a 750 square foot 2- bedroom 1 bath, eco-friendly home for a homeless U.S. veteran and family.

Transitioning from the streets to stable housing is a complex journey that requires more than just a change in living arrangements. Responding to research data that veterans experiencing homelessness often contend with mental health issues, substance abuse, and a lack of essential life skills, CSF partnered with St. Vincent De Paul Cares, to ensure a successful transition to permanent housing through its wrap-around services — a comprehensive, integrated system that combines housing assistance with crucial support services such as mental health counseling, addiction treatment, job training, and financial literacy.

In 2023, CSF supported 21 homeless U.S. veterans through Team Veteran. By investing in these wrap-around services, we not only provide homeless veterans with a place to call home but also equip them with the tools and resources necessary to rebuild their lives. This holistic approach recognizes the unique needs of each individual, fostering a sense of stability and empowerment that goes beyond mere shelter.

**Seniors:** The senior population is a vital segment of our community, and they deserve to age with dignity, comfort, and security. Unfortunately, the rising cost of living, coupled with the limited availability of affordable housing, has placed a heavy burden on our elderly citizens. The risk of seniors facing homelessness due to the growing disparity between rent and fixed income subsidies is a harsh reality that demands our attention and action.

To respond to the senior housing need, CSF partnered with the Pinellas Community Foundation to rebuild a six-unit rental property dedicated solely to seniors.

The need for affordable housing for seniors will persist, and we remain steadfast in our commitment to finding innovative solutions, advocating for policy reforms, and expanding our reach to ensure that no senior citizen in our community is left vulnerable to homelessness.

### **Affordable Housing:**

Beginning with the first multi-family property purchase dedicated to Willis Spivey in 1986, to today's portfolio of 70 properties, 151 units and 171 leases, our affordable housing acts as a catalyst for empowerment, resilience, and a brighter future for individuals and families grappling with financial constraints.

We believe that the availability of affordable housing stands as a cornerstone, holding the potential to transform the lives of low-income families. In FY 2022-2023, the average rent rates for CSF residents are **25% below Fair Market Rate**.

The profound impact of accessible and affordable housing reverberates far beyond the confines of shelter; it extends its reach into the realms of economic stability, educational opportunities, and overall well-being. As an essential component of social equity, affordable housing represents not merely a roof overhead, but a catalyst for positive change, offering a pathway towards fostering a sense of security and dignity for those who have long been on the margins of society.

The affordable housing crisis in Pinellas County, Florida, during 2022-2023 has been a pressing issue, particularly due to the surge in rent prices.

1. Rental Price Surge:
  - Rental prices across Pinellas County have witnessed a significant increase, with a 20% rise in many areas.
2. Specific Areas Affected:
  - Different parts of Pinellas County faced varying rent hikes:
    - Central Pinellas: A staggering 21.5% increase in rents.
    - North Pinellas: A substantial 21.4% increase.
    - Downtown St. Petersburg: An 18.2% increase.
    - South Pinellas: An 11.6% increase.
3. Average Rent for One-Bedroom Apartments:
  - In St. Petersburg, the average monthly rent for a one-bedroom apartment was approximately \$1,600; **CSF Average Rate is \$952.00**.
4. Affordable Housing Shortage:
  - The county estimates a need for around 1,000 new affordable housing units per year over the next decade.

In 2022, rents were so high that a person working full-time, year-round at minimum wage could not afford a modest two-bedroom rental unit and still have enough money for food, utilities, and other necessities.

To afford the Fair Market Rate for a two-bedroom rental nationally, a single person working full-time must make almost \$26 an hour, more than 3.5 times the federal minimum wage of \$7.25 an

hour. And the average minimum-wage worker must still work 96 hours per week—nearly 2.5 full-time jobs—to afford a two-bedroom rental.

### **Preservation:**

As urban landscapes evolve and economies fluctuate, the pressing need to preserve and restore affordable housing properties has become an imperative task, particularly for the well-being of low-income and minimum-wage-earning families. In 2022-2023, CSF invested **\$591,962.00** in its operating funds to preserve **39** affordable rental units.

These funds were made available through strategic property sales during a housing market that optimized their values. Through the sale of **14** properties, we unlocked value for advancing our mission to preserve affordable housing and reinvest the profits into our operations.

The preservation and restoration of affordable housing emerges not just as a housing policy but a moral obligation and our commitment to addressing the pressing need for affordable housing remains steadfast. By exploring avenues to unlock the inherent value in our properties, we open the door to a range of possibilities that can significantly amplify our impact. Here are some key benefits:

**Optimizing Resources:** Selling properties at an opportune time allowed us to capitalize on market conditions, optimizing the financial resources tied up in real estate. The funds generated from these transactions were strategically reinvested to support and expand our operations dedicated to affordable housing.

**Enhancing Operational Capacity:** Reinvesting the profits from property sales directly into our operations provides a vital infusion of capital. This enabled us to enhance our operational capacity, undertake new initiatives, and scale our efforts to meet the growing demand for affordable housing in our community.

**Accelerating Project Timelines:** The additional resources gained from property sales expedited the development of affordable housing renovation projects. By streamlining project timelines, we swiftly responded to the urgent need for accessible housing, providing tangible solutions to those struggling with housing insecurity.

**Long-Term Sustainability:** Strategic property sales and reinvestments contributed to the long-term sustainability of our mission. By ensuring a robust financial foundation, we fortified our ability to navigate challenges, seize opportunities, and remain a steadfast advocate for affordable housing in the years to come.

**Plumb House:** An exciting endeavor that aligns with our commitment to preserving housing rests in the restoration of an historical house in the Lake Belleview neighborhood; the Plumb House. In partnership with the business community and D-MAR Construction, the City of Clearwater and the Clearwater Historical Society, CSF is leading efforts to secure funding to restore the Plumb House and serves as its tenant in the 2<sup>nd</sup> year of a 5-year lease agreement.

The restoration of the Plumb House, with the goal to be designated on the National Register of Historic Places, is a transformative initiative that not only safeguards our historical legacy but also holds numerous benefits:

**Cultural Preservation:** Restoring the Plumb House is a dedication to the preservation of our cultural identity. By meticulously revitalizing this historical gem, we ensure that the stories embedded within its walls are not lost to time, fostering a deeper connection to our shared past.

**Tourist Attraction:** Designating the Plumb House on the National Register of Historic Places elevates its status as a cultural landmark, attracting heritage tourists from far and wide. This influx of visitors not only stimulates local businesses but also brings attention to the unique historical and architectural significance of our community.

**Educational Opportunities:** The restored Plumb House becomes a living classroom, offering educational programs and guided tours that enlighten visitors about the historical context of our community. This immersive experience fosters an appreciation for the heritage that has shaped our present and imparts valuable lessons for the future.

**Economic Impact:** Heritage tourism, driven by the restored Plumb House, injects vitality into our local economy. Visitors patronize local businesses, restaurants, and shops, contributing to the economic well-being of our community and generating revenue that can be reinvested in future preservation efforts.

**Community Pride and Identity:** The designation of the Plumb House on the National Register of Historic Places instills a sense of pride and identity within our Lake Belleview community. It serves as a symbol of our shared history and a testament to our commitment to preserving the unique character that makes our community special.

**Grant Opportunities:** The recognition of the Plumb House on the National Register opens doors to various grant opportunities dedicated to historic preservation. These funds can be instrumental in further restoration efforts, ensuring the long-term sustainability of this cultural treasure.

**Unity in the Community:** See Supplement No.3

Underserved communities often face a historical and systemic trust deficit with law enforcement. To bridge this gap, it is crucial to engage in initiatives that not only provide recreational opportunities but also foster mutual understanding, respect, and collaboration.

CSF believes this matter is of profound importance and partnered with the City of Clearwater Police Department to build trust between law enforcement and underserved communities. Our Clearwater United project promoted recreational soccer to cultivate positive relationships, especially among Hispanic youth.

By supporting such initiatives, law enforcement can actively engage with young individuals outside the context of enforcement, creating a shared space where relationships can grow organically. The benefits of these prosocial activities extend beyond the soccer field. By participating in team sports, Hispanic youth can develop valuable life skills such as teamwork, leadership, and discipline. These activities provide a sense of belonging and purpose, diverting young minds from potential negative influences and contributing to a more positive community environment.

Moreover, law enforcement's visible involvement in these initiatives sends a powerful message of solidarity and commitment to the well-being of the community. It helps dispel negative stereotypes and fosters an environment where both law enforcement officers and community members see each other as partners in building a safer, stronger neighborhood.

## **Donors and Granters:**

At CSF, we recognize the transformative power of donor/granter contributions. Donations are not merely financial transactions; they are the lifeblood that fuels our mission to create positive change and address the pressing needs of our community. As a valued donor, you are an integral part of our community foundation's success. Your generosity serves as an inspiration to others, fostering a spirit of philanthropy that strengthens the bonds of our community.

Through your support, we can touch the lives of individuals and families in profound ways:

**Nurture Community Programs:** Your donations directly fund essential community programs, providing housing, education, and social services to those in need. These programs act as catalysts for positive change, creating a ripple effect that reverberates throughout our community.

**Foster Economic Development:** By sustaining our operations, you contribute to initiatives that promote economic growth and empowerment. This, in turn, uplifts local businesses and creates opportunities for individuals to build sustainable livelihoods.

**Respond to Urgent Needs:** In times of crisis, your contributions allow us to swiftly respond to urgent community needs.

## **Community Events:** See Supplement No.4

At the heart of our collective identity lies the profound impact of convening in prosocial activities that celebrate our customs and shared values. This celebration is not just a festive occasion; it is a catalyst for unity, well-being, and the nurturing of a strong, resilient community. In 2022-2023, the CSF hosted traditional community events like the Lake Bellevue Community Celebration, Holiday Celebration and convened regular neighborhood clean-ups.

**Cultivating a Sense of Belonging:** Prosocial activities that center around our customs create a space where individuals can connect with a shared heritage. By participating in these celebrations, community members foster a deep sense of belonging, reinforcing the ties that bind us together as neighbors and friends.

**Promoting Social Cohesion:** The act of coming together in celebration transcends individual differences, promoting social cohesion and unity. Prosocial activities provide a platform for diverse members of our community to interact, understand, and appreciate one another, fostering a spirit of inclusivity and mutual respect.

**Enhancing Mental and Emotional Well-Being:** Engaging in activities that celebrate our customs and shared values contributes to the overall well-being of individuals. These moments of celebration serve as sources of joy, pride, and cultural identity, offering a respite from the challenges of daily life and promoting positive mental and emotional health.

**Building Stronger Support Networks:** Prosocial activities create opportunities for community members to build and strengthen support networks. As we come together in celebration, we forge bonds that extend beyond the immediate event, establishing a foundation of trust and cooperation that underpins the resilience of our community in times of need.

Preserving Cultural Heritage: Convening activities that celebrate our customs is a powerful way to preserve and transmit our cultural heritage to future generations. These celebrations become living traditions that connect us to our roots, ensuring that our customs and shared values endure as a source of pride and identity.

### **The Team:**

At the core of CSF lies a set of values that transcend mere organizational principles – they embody a commitment to living a purpose-driven life. Being centered and grounded in these values enabled the following Team to advance the organization: Executive Director, Ed Thiebe; Asset Manager, Lynn Vallone; Assistant Property Manager, Sharon Asin; Assistant Property Manager, Shearon Bass-Miller, Accountant LeeAnn Kramer and Senior Maintenance Vincent Tibben and Brian Keplinger.

The unwavering dedication to these values has been the bedrock upon which our foundation stands, making an indelible impact on the lives of those we serve:

**Continuity and Consistency:** Loyalty ensures a continuity of vision and mission. In a sector where change can be the only constant, having a steadfast team committed to our core values provides stability and a reliable foundation upon which we can build sustainable impact.

**Efficiency and Effectiveness:** A team united by a common purpose operates with a level of synergy that is unparalleled. The shared commitment to our mission fosters collaboration, streamlining our efforts and maximizing our collective impact. Selfless dedication is the driving force behind the effectiveness and efficiency of our operations.

**Inspiration for Others:** Commitment serves as a beacon of inspiration for others, both within our organization and in the broader community. And, passion ignites a ripple effect, encouraging others to align their efforts with a purpose-driven mindset, further strengthening our collective impact.

**Resilience in the Face of Challenges:** A team fueled by dedication empowers us to face challenges with fortitude, turning obstacles into opportunities for growth and innovation. In moments of adversity, it is this unwavering commitment that propels us forward.

### **Closing:**

As we celebrate the FY 2022-2023 outcomes achieved through our philanthropic endeavors, we remain committed to expanding our efforts, collaborating with stakeholders like you, and leveraging our resources to create a more sustainable and inclusive future. Together, we will build a better, more resilient world for generations to come.

Thank you for being a valued part of our journey.

# Lake Belleview

## Hobby Shock Fish Assessment & Informational Form

### Hobby Shock Data

Florida Fish and Wildlife Personnel performed “Hobby” shock sampling on Lake Belleview on 12/9/2022. The entire perimeter of the lake was sampled during the day and a representative sample of fish was retained to collect length and weight data. Many fish were visually reported, but not officially collected and measured. The depth of the lake ranged from 1.5ft to 4.5ft. A summary of the collected fish is below:

Species	Average Length (mm)	Average Weight (g)	Total Number Measured
Largemouth Bass	314	456.5	14
Redear Sunfish	153.6	64	9
Bluegill	173.6	88	9
Brown Bullhead	--	--	5
Golden Shiners	--	--	>50

Many of the Largemouth Bass in Lake Belleview are of catchable size, with an average length of around 12in and weight of 1lb. There was a wide range of size for Bass as well, indicating that they are successfully spawning. The largest Bass collected weighed 2.5lbs, which is a quality sized fish for a small lake. There is a large population of Bluegill and Redear Sunfish of smaller size indicating there is a healthy forage base for Largemouth Bass. This forage base is supported by an equally large population of Golden Shiners. Only 5 were officially collected, but there were well over 50 individuals seen during sampling. Several catchable sized Brown Bullhead Catfish were also sampled which will provide another quality sport fish for anglers.

### Future Steps

Based on the data collected during the hobby shock, Lake Belleview already appears to be a quality fishery. There is a healthy population of Largemouth Bass and Bullhead, supported by a large population of small Bluegill, Golden Shiners and Redear Sunfish. Unless angling pressure increases dramatically stocking is probably not necessary.

Stocking requests are always placed by FWC personnel at the hatchery every FALL. Requested fish are typically stocked the following FALL (1-year turn around). Improving the forage base by stocking small bluegill would be a good option with additional Bass stocked a year later. If a fishing derby was held on the lake, catchable Channel Catfish could also be stocked and could serve to enhance angling appeal in the future but would also need to be planed a year in advance. The Lakeland FWC office has a fishing outreach trailer that is available for use in fishing derby's.

## Lake Belleview Monthly Clean-ups

The “Top 10” list of collected trash items from Lake Belleview cleanups performed in 2022. This data is compiled by the Ocean Conservancy, a non-profit organization that, among many other things, works internationally to collect data on various types of trash collection efforts to monitor what makes it to our bodies of water, beaches, and other locations. Please note that we performed 11 lake cleanups in 2022. We had to cancel the October cleanup due to Hurricane Ian. The following list indicates the list of the largest amount of trash items by individual item count, not by weight. Please let me know if you have any questions. Thank you!

### Top Ten Items

Item	Total	Percent
1 Food wrappers (candy, chips, etc.)	1765	18.99%
2 Tobacco products (lighters, cigar tips, wrap)	1030	11.08%
3 Beverage bottles (plastic)	953	10.25%
4 Bottle caps (plastic)	879	9.46%
5 Grocery bags (plastic)	842	9.06%
6 Beverage cans	546	5.87%
7 Cigarette butts	539	5.80%
8 Straws/stirrers (plastic)	333	3.58%
9 Other plastic waste	330	3.55%
10 Food containers (plastic)	260	2.80%

Here is a list by month, as well as an overall total (in pounds):

Cleanup Date	Pounds
1/8/2022	168
2/8/2022	203.5
3/5/2022	231.5
4/9/2022	265.5
5/14/2022	151
6/4/2022	95.3
7/9/2022	86.5
8/7/2022	33
9/3/2022	33
11/12/2022	35
12/3/2022	70
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1372.3</b>

Please note that the variability in the amount we collected each month can be due to more than just how much trash was in and around the lake. It also varies by the types of items we find. For example, when we find a few heavy items (i.e. tires) versus a lot of items that weigh relatively little. It can also be explained by effort. For example, there were 2-3 cleanups in early 2022 where we had many volunteers because schools or businesses wanted to have a group volunteer event.



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The **Community Service Foundation, Inc.** (CSF) a 501C-3, not-for-profit organization, Federal ID Number 59-0866939, "Creating Community" is more than words in a vision. To honor our mission, we dedicated the 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Charity Golf Classic to Team Veteran, a community-wide effort to reduce homelessness for U.S. veterans and families.

## **Part 1 Mission:** 825 Hall Street, Clearwater Project

To demo and rebuild the property for an unhoused U.S. veteran and family and support the family with 1-year rental assistance funds.



## **Part 2 Mission:** Rapid Re-Housing Project.

The resources of CSF and St. Vincent de Paul Cares are creating a coordinated impact to provide veterans enrolled in their SSVF (**Supported Services for Veterans and Families**) Program with shared/permanent housing. The SSVF Program assists very low-income Veteran families residing in or transitioning to permanent housing, while providing a range of supportive services that are designed to promote housing stability. This support bridges the gap from an immediate crisis-such as abuse or homelessness-into permanent housing. The project's goal is to offer a safe space in which veterans can process their trauma, work on the issues that led to their homelessness, and build a supportive network that will help them in the future.

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CSF recently purchased single family homes in South St. Petersburg. These properties will be renovated and made available to St. Vincent de Paul Cares for use by homeless U.S. veterans needing housing.

Team Veteran partner organizations include Horse Soldier Bourbon Whiskey; Clearwater Veterans Alliance; Bay Pines Community Veterans Engagement Board, the St. Vincent de Paul Cares Veterans Division, and Pinellas County VFW and American Legion Posts

## Hall Street Project Volunteer Action Plan

Step 1: Unload Building Materials Day- 6 volunteers

Step 2: Install Wall Day-6 Volunteers

Step 3: Install Roof Day- 6 Volunteers

Step 4. Framing (skilled volunteer)

Step 5: Painting Day- 8 Volunteers

Step 6: Landscape Day- 6 Volunteers

Step 7: Fence Build Day-8 Volunteers

### Expenses

Property Acquisition  
Contractor/ Development Costs  
Building Materials  
HVAC  
Plumber  
Project Donation  
Legacy Donor  
Business Community Donors

### TEAM VETERAN Donation

Community Service Foundation  
Cournoyer Construction Inc.  
Structall Building Systems  
Poulin Cooling Company  
My Florida Plumber LLC  
Gehrand Family Trust  
Source 1 Solutions Inc.  
Raymond James Valor  
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2022 World Cup  
November 26, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.  
Soccer Clinic  
and  
World Cup Watch Party- Mexico vs. Argentina 1 p.m.- 4 p.m.  
Ross Norton Recreation Center  
1426 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave., Clearwater

This is to introduce an opportunity to come alongside our Hispanic Outreach Initiative, designed for a youth soccer clinic and World Cup watch party. Community Champion architects include: the City of Clearwater Police Department, Intercultural Advocacy Institute/Hispanic Outreach Center of Clearwater, the Community Service Foundation, the Clearwater Recreation Department and the Felinos United Soccer Club.

Activities include:

1. June 2022- May 2023: Sponsorship of the Felinos United Soccer Club fees for recreational tournaments, equipment and practice field rental expenses via a Clearwater United Fund at the Community Service Foundation.
  - a. The Felinos United Soccer Club, founded in 2013 by Israel Secundino, is a non-profit organization soccer club from Clearwater, Florida. The name was inspired by the Mexican professional football club UNAM Pumas. Felinos United Soccer Club supports youth from 6-13 years old.
2. November 26, 2022. Youth Soccer Clinic and World Cup Watch Party. Hosted at the City of Clearwater Recreation Department Ross Norton Recreation Center. Schedule as follows:
  - a. 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Soccer Clinic open to youth and supported by Felinos United Soccer Club volunteers.
  - b. 1 p.m.- 4 p.m. Ross Norton Recreation Center, Mexico vs. Argentina in Group C Match. Watch Party for 200 invited guests. This free event will be supported through sponsors to provide food, beverages (non-alcohol) and broadcast fees. **SOLD OUT**



# BE A VOLUNTEER

## Lake Belleview Neighborhood **EARTH DAY** Cleanup

9-11 a.m. April 22, 2023

At

Belmont Park-1535 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Ave.

(Martin Luther King Jr. Ave and Woodlawn St.)

Volunteers will receive gloves, pickers, trash bags, and food/beverage hospitality.



April 22<sup>nd</sup> marks the 53<sup>rd</sup> anniversary of Earth Day – a day of action to promote environmental protection in daily life and public policy. This year's theme is **“Invest in our planet”**. Our hope is that Earth Day 2023 will help us focus on efforts to activate everyone – governments, citizens, and businesses – to do their part. Everyone accounted for, and everyone accountable. A healthy planet is not an option — it is a necessity. It's the only home we have.

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Wildflower Café - Desserts

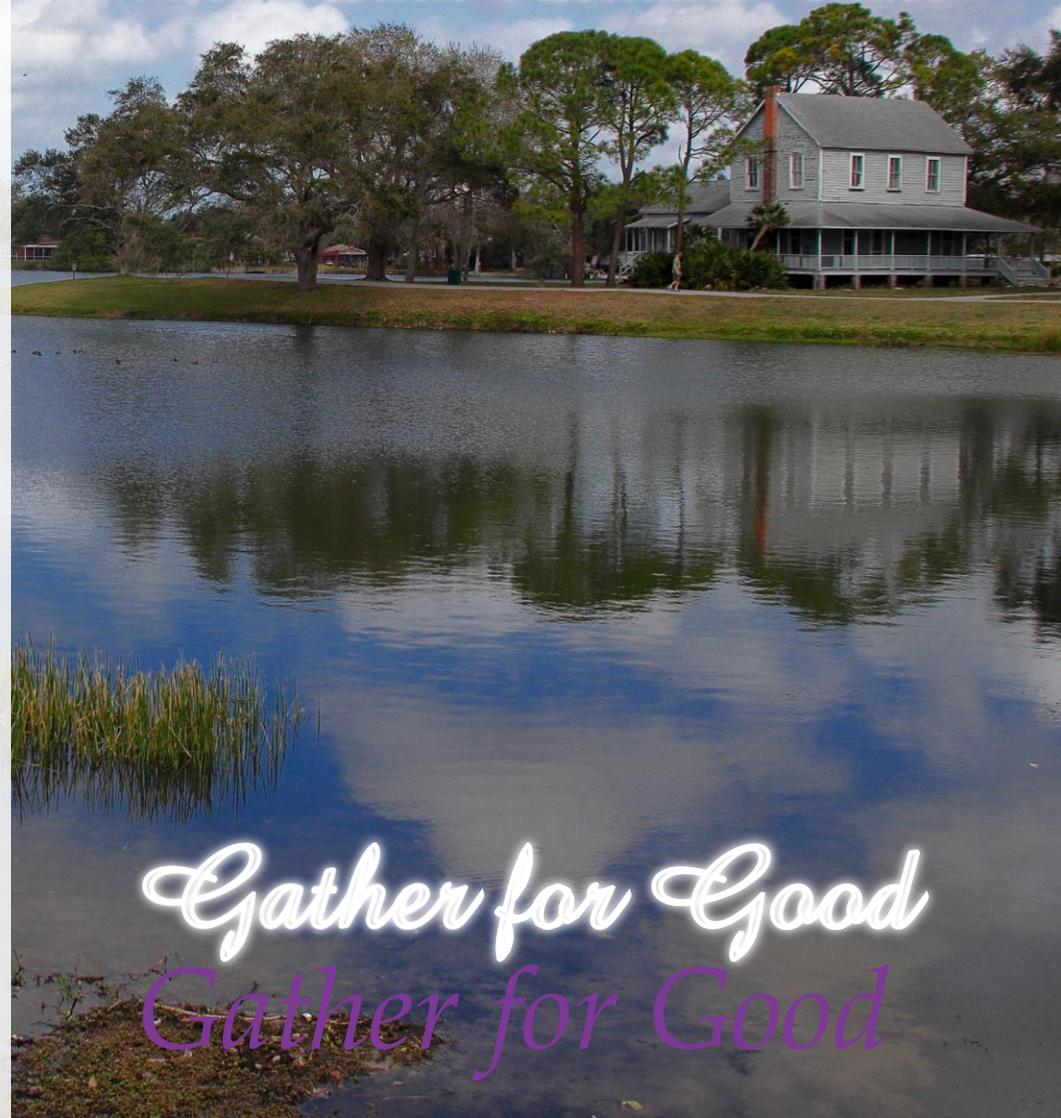


Matt Tiernan - Table Flowers

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# Lake Bellview Community Dinner

6-8 p.m. • November 15, 2022  
Ross Norton Recreation Center



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# Lake Bellevue Holiday Party



Santa Claus is coming to Ross Norton! The Lake Bellevue Neighborhood Association and Ross Norton Recreation Center are hosting a free holiday celebration with fun for the whole family. There will be live music, food, inflatables and a Christmas Tree Lighting.

**Friday**  
**December 9**  
**TIME: 5:30 - 7:30 P.M.**  
**COST: Free**

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