



GOOD SHEPHERD

EPISCOPAL CHURCH & SCHOOL

TEQUESTA, FLORIDA

The Rev. Dr. Douglas F. Scharf

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Dear Friends,

"I never thought I would be in a position where I would have to ask for food." Unfortunately, that is a sentence we hear more and more as Good Shepherd Food Pantry connects with people who have recently become food insecure. Many people in our community, our own neighbors, are just one illness, or one car repair away from financial difficulty.

Because of support from organizations like yours, Good Shepherd Episcopal Church has been able to put programs and ministries in place that provide a stopgap so people don't need to make the painful decision between seeing a doctor or feeding their children. We offer an array of assistance that ensures that good programs like the St. George's Community Center, Gleaning for Palm Beach County Food Bank and help with books and basic hygiene for Title 1 schools may continue. This is why we're reaching out to you.

For over 20 years, Good Shepherd's annual fundraiser for outreach ministries, **Artie's Party**, along with a dedicated group of volunteers, has kept programs going in our local community in addition to offering support to ministry partners on a regional, national, and global level. **This year our goal is \$40,000 to fund these vital programs for a year.**

With your support, we can make *a real difference in the lives of real people*. Will you be able to help with a donation? We are seeking auction items or sponsorships for our 2022 Artie's Party on May 20. **Please know that any donation from your organization will be directly applied to outreach programs.**

Through your support and God's grace, we can make a real difference in our community.

Blessings!



We have a place for you

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How does Good Shepherd Outreach impact the community and beyond?

We provide assistance to a broad range of support groups. In addition to financial aid, we also provide community organizing and program development, volunteer assistance, and we take leadership roles on boards that serve underrepresented populations to bring expertise and impact to established programs.

Does Good Shepherd only serve Christians or Christian groups?

No. We work closely with various religious, secular, and even public agencies. We strive to help all people who need assistance. We do not make distinctions on the basis of race, gender, sexual orientation, or religious affiliation. Our food pantry is a great example of our commitment to the community as a whole. *If you are hungry, we will give you food. Period.*

What are some of your programs?

We have a robust Outreach and Mission Ministry led by a board of dedicated volunteers which serves people in our local town, in our region, nationally, and internationally.

- Episcopal Relief and Development
- El Sol, Jupiter
- Food For the Poor
- Guatemalan Tomorrow Fund
- Guatemalan Tomorrow Student Scholarships
- Migrant Ministries/CROS Ministries
- McGregor's Ministry (Madagascar)
- SAMS (Society of Anglican Missionaries and Senders)
- Our Little roses Orphanage
- Palm Beach County Food Bank (gleaning)
- Holy Spirit Episcopal Church
- The Lord's Place
- Seamen's Church Institute
- St. George's Meal Ministry
- St. George's Community Center
- South Florida Haiti Project
- Good Shepherd Food Pantry
- Manna Bag Ministry
- Backpack Ministry for people who are homeless
- Urgent Catastrophe Relief
- Lenten Outreach Project
- Done-In-A-Day Projects
- Supply Drives for local schools and camps (school supplies, hygiene kits)
- Thrift shop donations to local non-profit service organizations
- T.R.U.E. Fund Urgent Emergency support
- Youth Mission and Service Education programs
- Adult Mission Programs and Sponsorships

Did you know?

For some people living right here in Palm Beach County, a toothbrush is a luxury they cannot afford. Yes, right here in our midst, family members are sharing a toothbrush.

We try to alleviate this condition in the work we do every day at Good Shepherd by partnering with groups who have identified these pressures firsthand.

Your support of Artie's Party makes a *REAL* difference in *REAL* lives every day. The proceeds from this event fund our outreach programs for a year. Our goal for 2022 is \$40,000. Please give generously, and thank you for your support.



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