

JOSEPH DREAMHOUSE CDC



NEWSLETTER

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STATS AT A GLANCE

28,619 INDIVIDUALS
SERVED IN MAY

115,185 INDIVIDUALS
SERVED SO FAR IN 2022

49,544 CHILDREN
SERVED SO FAR IN 2022



THE DREAMHOUSE FEEDING FAMILIES PROJECT

Joseph Dreamhouse CDC is a community-based, Christ-centered nonprofit organization committed to aiding in the fight against poverty in America. Joseph Dreamhouse has operated as a food distribution center since 2013, and we presently provide nutrient dense groceries and other basic necessities to 7,155 people per week based off of their dietary needs. We are committed to providing these at-risk communities with lifesaving assistance and the tools to re-establish healthy bodies and prosperous livelihoods. Food insecurity is an episodic, recurrent phenomenon, often stemming from limited resources. As such, poverty, underemployment, and high housing costs are strongly associated with food insecurity. Circumstances also demonstrate that food insecurity is often triggered by inflation, an increase in food prices, or a specific event that stresses the household budget, such as losing a job or benefits, including SNAP. Currently, the rampant inflation has caused an extreme uptick in demand for our services and we are struggling to meet the overwhelming need. This is because we are combating the same problem that caused an increase in need for our services in the first place: a significant rise in the cost of basic necessities—namely food and gas.



SPECIAL THANKS TO:

I'd like to give a special shout-out and heartfelt thanks to Dan Golka, the social media influencer from Youtube's iAllegedly for all of his support!

As always, thanks to our generous in-kind donors: Whole Foods, Target, Fresh Market, Walmart, Publix, Winn-Dixie, and Trader Joe's.

FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA!

You can follow us on Twitter, on Facebook, and Instagram. Make sure to keep up with the latest issues that we are passionate about on our blog! Our YouTube Channel, MaChef'n, is also up and running! Be sure to Like and Subscribe!



WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT

The need for food has surpassed our present capacity to provide it. This is due, in large part, to the aforementioned inflation. Food costs and fuel costs are rising at alarming rates. This has caused a serious uptick in food insecurity across the United States, and there is no real indication of it getting any better any time soon.

For families who were already struggling with food insecurity this is nothing short of a crisis. Over 80% of the families that visit the Pantry are working families with children and multiple jobs that need to supplement their budget. The food that they receive from us allows them to keep other essential household bills. Seniors, too, depend on the Pantry as their main food source as they cannot afford both food and medications on their limited retirement budget. As such, we are cordially inviting you to become a part of the JDH Dream Team by supporting us with your donations.

Your generous donation will help Joseph Dreamhouse, CDC to be an accessible resource partner for those in need, to provide food and locate providers of shelter for those in immediate crisis, case management services for those working to regain or maintain permanent housing, and resources, referrals and other services to help prevent people from becoming homeless in the first place. The face of hunger is the face of our neighbors, friends, relatives—especially with the costs of food rising—and we must meet their countenances with compassion.

Joseph Dreamhouse CDC needs people like you to pledge to be committed donors and contribute what you can afford monthly to assist the children, seniors, and working adults who rely on our services. Your generous contributions have already aided in the provision of help, hope, and sustenance to over 28,000 people in May alone!

Monthly Donor Levels

- Adopt-a-Family: \$250
- Gold Partner: \$100
- Silver Partner: \$50
- Sponsor: \$25



Corporate Sponsor Levels

- Platinum Partner: \$10,000
- Gold Partner: \$5,000
- Silver Partner: \$2,500
- Corporate Sponsor: \$500

HOW REDUCING FOOD INSECURITY HELPS COMMUNITIES

Joseph Dreamhouse CDC serves low-to-moderate income families in sixteen towns/cities throughout both Broward and Miami-Dade Counties in South Florida, both of which have demonstrated high rates of poverty and resource insecurity compared to national averages. Joseph Dreamhouse CDC aims to address the cyclical relationship of food insecurity and impoverishment. A vital relationship exists between nutritional status, human capital, and economic standing. Malnutrition adversely affects the physiological and mental capacity of individuals, which in turn hampers productivity levels, making them and their

respective communities more susceptible to poverty. A two-way link exists between malnutrition and poverty, creating a vicious cycle with each fueling the other. The alleviation of one will aid in the alleviation of the other. Joseph Dreamhouse CDC firmly believes that alleviating food insecurity will place individuals on a positive trajectory, allowing them to allocate their hard earned resources towards paying for other essential bills. Furthermore, Joseph Dreamhouse CDC aims to improve community health outcomes through the distribution of healthy, nutrient-dense foods and thereby lowering the rate of malnourished families.

OTHER WAYS TO HELP:

You can support Joseph Dreamhouse CDC by utilizing Amazon Smile or purchasing a gift for the young one in your life or some home supplies for yourself through our eBay Store. Also be sure to check out our YouTube channel: MaChef'n! Chef Fran started it as a way to generate income through ad revenue and use her gifts and talent to both teach cooking skills and bring awareness to the stark realities surrounding food insecurity. So, come learn how to cook a delicious dish or two or ten with her & support JDH in the process!!

