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Dear Supporter of Toco Hills Community Alliance,



Even as Winter Olympics events take over the television in my living room and I watch almost incessantly to cheer on Team USA, and even as we prepare for the Super Bowl this weekend and I look forward to the halftime show more than either team, and even as we prepare to celebrate love on Valentine's Day,

there is one team that is especially close to my heart -



Team THCA!

Sometimes, we refer to Toco Hills Community Alliance as a large family and sometimes as a community, but we are also a team, each with our own ways to support the team in the service of our goal of winning against not just hunger, but also hopelessness.

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 Faith communities like Intown Community Church that supplies us toilet paper to put into each box of groceries.

- Non-profit agencies like Second Helpings Atlanta that delivers rescued food to us several times a week.
- Schools like The Paideia School that matches up interns with us to provide service as they learn about food insecurity.
- Businesses like Ready Trading clothing store that sends us two volunteers a week to help with our Clothes Closet.

These are but a few of the many community partners that are part of our team, making it possible for us to serve hundreds of families every week with healthy groceries, share hot meals with our unhoused friends, ensure that we can give nice clothes to those in need, and that we do that all with compassion and care. To see other partners on our team, go to the <u>Partners</u> page of our website.



And, of course, we have many others on our team: our amazing volunteers who give freely of their time, our staff who work tirelessly, our Board who leads boldly.

And, then, there are all of you: our supporters.

You are an extremely important part of our team!

Without you, none of what we do would be possible.

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Because of you, there are unhoused persons who have socks and gloves and other warm clothing for cold nights.

Because of you, there are seniors who can rest easy knowing they do not have to choose between paying for food or medicine.

Because of you, there are immigrants who left everything behind and found they could start rebuilding here.

Because of you, there are those who'd lost hope who have found it, there are those feared rejection and found acceptance, there are those who felt shame and found compassion.

That is the power of teamwork; all of us bringing our gifts together.



Now, team members, you have an opportunity to recruit others to the team; specifically our Hunger Walk Run Team, Team THCA.

IN-PERSON + VIRTUAL

HUNGERWALK RUN

MARCH 6, 2022

As many of our long-time supporters know, our participation in the Atlanta Community Food Bank Hunger Walk is one of the primary ways we are able to fund our food purchases throughout the year.

And it is a great opportunity for you to share with others why you support Toco Hills Community Alliance and invite them to be part of

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Our goal this year is to raise \$18,000. And, if we raise 100% of the money online, the Food Bank will give us credit for 100% of it. If we do not raise it all online, the Food Bank will keep a percentage to cover their administrative costs.



Team THCA has been officially formed on the Hunger Walk Run site. For all of the information, go to

http://engage.acfb.org/goto/TeamTHCA

Because of the incredible support of this community, last year, our team was in the top 5 teams for fundraising - let's do it again!

When you gather with others to watch the Winter Olympics or the Super Bowl, invite them to Team THCA.

When you want to show love in a unique way for Valentine's Day, give to Team THCA.

Thank you for continuing to be on our team.

With all of my heart,

Rev. Dr. Lisa Heilig, Executive Director



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You are invited to join in for a Valentine-themed Vibe Hour on Saturday, February 12, at 7pm here at Toco Hills Community Alliance. It will be a time of entertainment and will help raise some funds for our neighbors in need.



If you want to donate or coordinate a drive, here are the most needed items.

The foods we are most in need of are:

- Canned Chicken/Tuna/Meat
- Shelf Stable Milk (Dairy and Non-Dairy)
- 'Pop-Top' cans of Soup/Stew/Pasta/Chili
- Canned Fruits and/or Applesauce

(PLEASE NO GLASS JARS)

We very much need **clean used cloth shopping bags**, as well as plastic.

We currently have a need for these hygiene supplies:

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We can also use supplies, such as:

- Packing tape
- Non-Latex Gloves (Medium, Large, XLarge)

Someone is available to take donations at Toco Hills Community Alliance building on Monday through Friday from 9am until noon. Drive up under the white tent and our volunteers will retrieve the items from your car.



We always need good volunteers who are fully vaccinated (including booster), are physically fit enough to stand, lift, and withstand weather conditions, and who will abide all of the safety precautions, including COVID protocols. If interested, email volunteer@tocohillsalliance.org

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