



Meals on Wheels of Charlotte County

Summer 2022

New Volunteers Welcome!

- **Franklin Pike**
Meal Delivery
- **John & Sheila Werla**
Meal Delivery
- **Nicole Johannesssen**
Meal Delivery
- **Loveland Center**
Meal Delivery

Upcoming Events

BOOTS & BOURBON

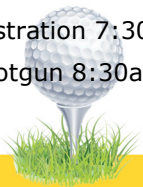
Coming in October!



"Take a Swing Against Hunger" 2.0

Sat November 5th
Deep Creek Golf
Club

Registration 7:30am
Shotgun 8:30am



Supporting
Our Veterans



1st Annual Take a "Swing Against Hunger" Fundraising Event a Huge Success!

We would like to send out a special Thank You to everyone who sponsored this event and to Deep Creek Golf Club for hosting an amazing 1st Annual "Take a Swing Against Hunger" golf tournament. It was so successful and everyone enjoyed it so much that we decided to schedule another one for November 5th, 2022!



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Our Program

Meals on Wheels of Charlotte County was originally known as Health Plus, a community action organization. It was started by a grass roots group of citizens who in 1969, led by Marion Thelander saw a need for a social service organization. This organization assisted the elderly population in securing service for daily living. In due time the need focused on providing nutritious hot meals for seniors disabled and those who may be recovering from surgery, illness or unable to prepare a meal for themselves.

The first Meals on Wheels meal was delivered on February 7, 1971. In the beginning borrowed office space and two church kitchens provided the area for cooking the meals. In 1984 the present building was constructed and included a well-equipped kitchen, office space and an area for a Thrift Shop.

We serve approximately 36,000 meals/year or 150 meals/day.

We receive no government, state, or county funding.

All our meals are delivered by a volunteer corp of drivers, generous local citizens that want to make a difference in our community. The individual connection that each volunteer offers is as nourishing to our clients as the food provided.

Our Thrift Shop sales help support our operations and we are always in the need of gently loved household items and clothing. We can even pick up larger household items.

Meals on Wheels of Charlotte County is supported entirely by gifts from individuals, churches, civic groups and businesses. Our future depends on the generosity of you, our community. Each \$25 equals one week of warm, nutritious meals and endless hope.



20% OFF

Present this Coupon at our Finders Keepers Store for 20% OFF a single purchase. Coupon must be presented at time of purchase, not valid on sale items. May not be combined with any other offer or discount. One coupon per customer per day.

Expires: 9/30/22

***We love to show you
what we do!***

***Contact our Office at
(941) 625-4343***

To set up a tour of our Facilities!



Just a few of our Volunteers that help us make it all Happen! Thank you! We couldn't do it without you!



Richard Martin



Charles Tronolone



Linda Oster



Joann Wieckowski



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Shop Until You Drop at our Finders Keepers Resale Shop

Have you visited our Finders Keepers Resale store? If you haven't, we encourage you to! It is neatly filled with a huge variety of items such as clothing, furniture, dishware, pictures, purses, jewelry, books, decorations, collectables and much more. All items are priced to sell. And all proceeds made in the store are used to help feed Charlotte County residents. Please consider Finders Keepers for any gently used items you may be letting go of. If you clean out your garage, a closet, cabinets or just redecorating these tax deductible items can be dropped off. If you have large items needing to be picked up let us know as we have a truck for pick up and delivery.



Meet Our Staff



A Cleveland , Ohio Native, Joe began his career in Culinary Arts at a very young age when he enlisted in the United States Army. He has over 45 years of experience in his art, including Cattaraugus County, New York Meals on Wheels. Where he was the Head Chef and prepared over 600 meals each day.

In his spare time Joe enjoys working on his cars and around his house and yard.

Volunteer Spotlight

Vivian Dillon, Kitchen Volunteer



A native Scot, Vivianne was motivated to volunteer at Meals on Wheels because of her Mum's involvement with the organization back in the U.K. Her Mum helped in a book keeping capacity, but with a science background , Vivianne was drawn to the kitchen and learning how to produce meals on a large scale. Despite the early start, Vivianne enjoys helping prepare, assemble and pack up the meals for deserving clients.

"I know the recipients really appreciate not only the food, but also the contact with the drivers and I'm glad I can play a part in the cycle."



Connie Herzog, Volunteer Meal Delivery Driver

Prior to retiring in 2008, Connie worked for the Monroe County Health Department in Monroe, Michigan for 37 years. She was an inventory control coordinator responsible for ordering and distributing all supplies for all divisions within the health department including Environmental Health, nursing home care, clinic, family planning and WIC.

Connie started delivering Meals on Wheels in July of 2018. She stopped in the office one day to inquire about meals for my elderly parents and in talking to the volunteers decided that this was something she would enjoy doing. On the days she's not delivering for Meals on Wheels she cares for her elderly mother. In her free time, she likes to run and read. She also enjoys traveling and looks forward to some traveling after we get through this pandemic!





Do you have a few hours a week to spare and want to make a difference in your community? Our program has several opportunities from kitchen prep, cashiering to meal delivery.

Meal Delivery - What a gratifying deed! Delivering nutritious, delicious meals to home-bound residents in our community. Our meal delivery Volunteers pick up and deliver meals at our facility at 9:30am Monday through Friday. Each driver typically delivers one day per week for a couple of hours.

Kitchen—If you're an early bird, we can always use help in our kitchen where we prepare our meals fresh each day. Meal preppers start at 7am and usually finish up by 9am.

Store—Do you like to work with the public? If you do we have the volunteer opportunity of a lifetime! Our store is always looking for donation intake and cashiers. Our store is open between 9:30am & 5:30pm Monday thru Friday. Volunteer hours vary.

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Adopt A Senior

Adopt a Senior for 1 Week

For only \$25 you can provide a senior with five days worth of warm, nutritious meals delivered direct to their door.

Adopt a Senior for 1 Month

For only \$100 you can provide a senior with a month's worth of warm, nutritious meals delivered direct to their door.

(20 days on average)

Adopt a Senior for 1 Year

For only \$1200 you can provide a senior with a full year worth of warm, nutritious meals delivered direct to their door.

(240 days per year on average)

This is the equivalent to a hot cup of coffee every day at your local coffee shop

This is equivalent to a family of 4 eating out for one evening at an inexpensive restaurant

This is equivalent to breakfast and a coffee at your local food chain on your way to work each day

Choose your level of support: _____

1 week = \$25

1 Year = \$1200

1 Month = \$100

Other: _____

Business Name: _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

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Please Mail donations to:

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Port Charlotte, FL 33952

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