VISIT TAMPA BAY OUTREACH PROGRAM



The following is a sample list of the many charities in the Tampa Bay area. Many convention groups and association meetings in the city often request this information in order to make a contribution on their association's behalf and to leave a lasting goodwill impression in our community. Monetary donations are, of course, always welcome. A list of more specific needs are listed below.

Feeding America Tampa Bay

4702 Transport Dr. Building 6 / Tampa, FL 33605 Phone: (813) 254-1190 / Fax: (813) 258-5802

Feeding America is the largest domestic hunger relief organization in the country, consisting of a network of more than 200 food banks. Feeding America Tampa Bay provides food to over 400,000 people in the West Central Florida. NEEDS: monetary donations are accepted, healthy and non-perishable food items.

Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful

730 W. Emma St. / Tampa, FL 33603 Phone: (813) 221-8733

Keep Tampa Bay Beautiful provides a unique experience for individuals to make an impact in the community. We offer a variety of service projects to work with groups of all ages. NEEDS: donations, sponsorships and volunteers welcome.

Make-A-Wish Southern Florida

324 N. Dale Mabry Hwy. Suite 203 / Tampa, FL 33606 Phone: (813) 288-2600

Make-A-Wish® grants the wish of a child diagnosed with a life-threatening medical condition in the United States and its territories. NEEDS: welcome all donations; whether you make a one-time gift, set up a monthly donation or establish a matching gifts program at your workplace, fundraising, sponsorships and volunteering.

Teaching Tools for Hillsborough County Schools

2306 N. Howard Ave. / Tampa, FL Phone: (813) 574-0260 / Fax: (813) 574-0299

The Teaching Tools Store provides free school supplies to economically disadvantaged students attending Hillsborough County Public Schools. Teachers shop monthly, throughout the school year, collecting on average \$200 or more in free supplies to bring back to their classrooms. NEEDS: school supplies, new books.



Academy Prep Center Tampa

1407 E. Columbus Dr. / Tampa, FL 33605 P hone: (813) 248-5600 / Fax: (813)248-5602

Academy Prep is an independent private educational center that services middle school aged students and makes the attempt to keep them in school and off the streets. Academy Prep operates 24 hours a day 6 days a week year-round. NEEDS: furniture, office supplies, household items.

Alpha House of Tampa

201 South Tampania Ave. / Tampa, FL 33609 Phone: (813) 875-2024 / Fax: (813) 877-0657

A local outreach program that assists pregnant women in need. Its vision is to create functioning families and to break the cycle of violence by providing a safe environment for mothers and their babies. NEEDS: baby strollers, disposable bottles, bottle liners, diapers, baby wipes, cribs, crib sheets, bumper pads, receiving blankets, baby swings, bibs, hooded towels, wash cloths, clothing, furniture, household items.

American Red Cross

3310 West Main St. / Tampa, FL 33607 Phone: 1-800-GIVE LIFE or (813) 348-4820

A humanitarian organization led by volunteers that provide relief to victims of disasters and helps people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies/disasters. NEEDS: Blood

Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Tampa

711 5. Dale Mabry Ste. 300 / Tampa, FL 33609 Phone: (813) 287-2210 / Fax: (813) 367-8819

Facilitates one-on-one relationships between adult volunteers who serve as role models to children predominantly from one parent families. NEEDS: new books, toys, office supplies, software, computers, clothing.

Dress for Success

1705 N. Howard Ave. / Tampa, FL 33607 Phone: (813) 259-1876 / Fax: (813) 259-1866

Dress for Success is a not-for-profit organization that provides low income women with suits to help them make a tailored transition into the workforce. NEEDS: coordinated contemporary interview appropriate skirt and pant suits, blouses, blazers and jackets, larger size suits are especially needed.

Goodwill Industries - Suncoast

10596 Gandy Blvd. / St. Petersburg, FL 33702 Phone: (727) 523-1512 / goodwill-suncoast.org

An organization that helps people achieve their full potential through the dignity and power of work. The sale of donated goods enables the agency to provide employment and training, promote self-sufficiency, and provide affordable housing to people who are disabled. NEEDS: clothing, linens, household items, furniture, books, and children toys.

Humane Society of Tampa Bay

3607 N. Armenia Ave. / Tampa, FL 33607 (813) 876-7138

The Humane Society of Tampa Bay's mission is to end animal homelessness and providing care and comfort for companion animals in need NEEDS: pet food, pet treats, food bowls, leashes, collars, animal toys, towels and blankets, foster care and TNR volunteers.



Metropolitan Ministries

2301 N. Tampa St. / Tampa, FL 33602 Phone: (813) 209-1000 / Fax: (813) 209-1080

One of America's most effective, innovative and leading caregiver serving the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless in our community through a broad range of services and programs that promote dignity, alleviate suffering and instill self-sufficiency. NEEDS: dry goods, paper and plastic wear, child care, clothing, educational supplies, linens, cleaning supplies, toiletries.

OneBlood

4041 W Kennedy Blvd / Tampa, FL 33609 Phone: (813) 282-3976

In the Tampa Bay area, the OneBlood collects the blood for 34 hospitals and Bo ambulatory care centers as well as the supply for the neighboring counties. NEEDS: Blood

Salvation Army

9309 N Armenia Ave. / Tampa, FL 33612 Phone: (813) 935-6086

The Salvation Army is an evangelical part of the Universal Christian Church. Its mission is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination. NEEDS: clothing, linens, furniture, office goods, home goods, toys, books, software, computers.

Shriners Hospital for Children

12502 USF Pine Drive Tampa, FL 33612-9411 Phone: (813) 972-2250

Shriners Hospital for Children – Tampa is changing lives everyday through innovative pediatric specialty care, bringing Love to the rescue to more than 50,000 children with orthopedic conditions over the last 30 years. Shriners Hospitals for Children – Tampa world-renowned specialty care, innovative research and outstanding teach programs have transformed patients back into kids. NEEDS: volunteers, monetary donations (host an event for our benefit), skin, equipment, airline miles, toys, and other non-monetary gifts.

YMCA Tampa Bay

100 N. Tampa St. / 33602 Phone: (813) 222-1334

The YMCA has five enduring values: faith, caring, honesty, respect and responsibility. The YMCA provides a safe place for children and youth to go that will instill the five values in them. NEEDS: children's clothing and toys, books, baby products, sheets, office supplies and home products.

Examples of what some convention / exhibit donated:

- National Association of Free Will Baptists fed the homeless and ran a blood drive.
- Metal Con donated over 72,000 pounds of food through CanStruction to local food banks as well as donating a steel home to The Spring of Tampa Bay
- Church of God in Christ Women's International Convention made a monetary donation to the Alpha House.

