



**Together... let's help OUR  
neighbors get the food they  
need to THRIVE!**

*Wishing you peace, joy, and many blessings each day this  
new year, from your friends at The HOPE Center of Maryland!*

# BEACON OF HOPE

CARING FOR OTHERS... PROVIDING HOPE.



**PEOPLE MATTER TO GOD.**

**HAPPY**

*New Year*

**2023**



# THE HOPE CENTER REACHED NEW MILESTONES IN 2022!

- Distributed **201,703** pounds of food and household items -  
Over 35,000 pounds was fresh produce.
- Over **5,800** volunteer hours  
In support of The HOPE Center's mission.
- **9,168** grocery bags were given away.
- **14,556** individuals were served.

The HOPE Center of Maryland works with community-based partner agencies including churches that directly provide food to clients in Harford County.

*Without your support, we wouldn't have reached these milestones. Thank you for continuing to support The HOPE Center of Maryland and for being our partner to provide enough food to OUR neighbors in need. Together We Can!*





# Virtual Food Market

We are pleased to introduce our Virtual Food Market! From the comfort and safety of your home, you can help provide food to support our hunger relief efforts. The best part is we'll do the shopping for you!

Visit our website to find out more! [www.thehopecenterofmd.com](http://www.thehopecenterofmd.com)

# IN THE COMMUNITY!

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## Upcoming Events

If you would like to volunteer at any of these community events, please contact Robert at [robert@thehopecenterofmd.com](mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com) or 443.787.9290 for more information.

- **Thursday, January 19<sup>th</sup>** – Aberdeen Courts – senior giveaway



- **Wednesday, January 25<sup>th</sup>** – Park View Bel Air – senior food giveaway
- **Saturday, January 28<sup>th</sup>** – Park View Abingdon – senior food giveaway
- **Thursday, February 16<sup>th</sup>** – Aberdeen Courts – senior food giveaway
- **Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>** – Park View Bel Air – senior food giveaway
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## EVENT SPOTLIGHT:

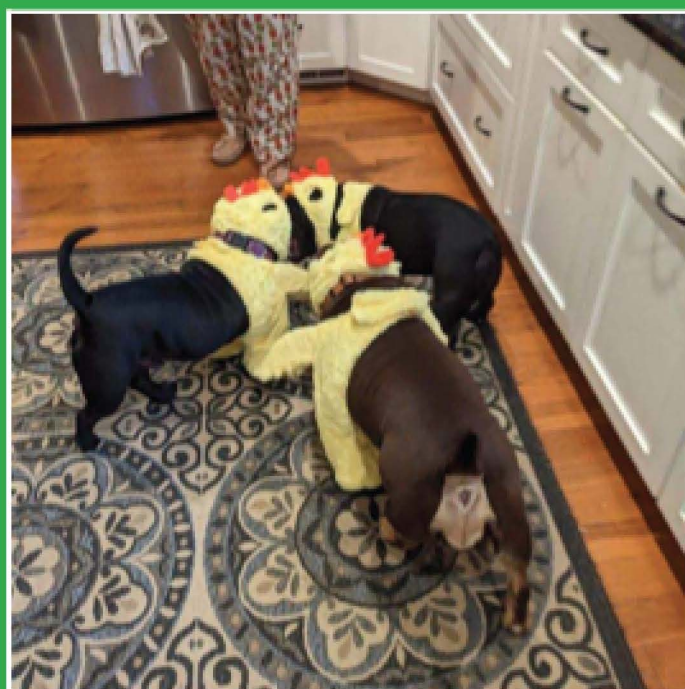


Last month, The Hope Center of Maryland was honored to participate in helping to provide meals for the 10 day Winter Holiday Break for 75 students at Havre de Grace Elementary, which is a Title I school. We love providing a more healthy option for those in need. We are so grateful to our community for your support in helping to make this possible! We continue to support the Blessings In A Backpack program on a monthly basis.

*The Perfect Home*



# *The Perfect Home*



Earlier last month, The HOPE Center was gifted these items and waited for the door to open to find their eventual home... God works in mysterious ways and these doggies received their costumes and a little girl was gifted the Barbie ambulance toy for Christmas. These items brought so much joy and both recipients were touched by the donated items. Your support goes a long way and we couldn't be more thankful!



# - JANUARY WISH LIST -



## WAYS TO DONATE:

- You may order at **AmazonSmile**, **Walmart**, or any other retailer.

**Virtual Food Market:** See Website at [www.thehopecenterofmd.com](http://www.thehopecenterofmd.com)

Contact us to make drop off/pick up arrangements or if you have any questions.

- **Dropoff:** 2845 Churchville Road  
Churchville, MD 21028  
(Tuesday - Friday 11AM to 3PM)
- **Email:** [robert@thehopecenterofmd.com](mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com)
- **Phone:** 443.787.9290

## NEEDS THIS MONTH:

**Fruit Cups**

**Jelly** – grape or strawberry

**Peanut Butter** – plain/creamy

**Instant oatmeal** – individual packs

**Paper Towels** – single to 8 roll packs

**Cereal/Breakfast, Granola or Snack/Trail Mix bars**



Caring for others, providing hope... Caring for others, providing hope... Caring for others, providing hope... Caring for others, providing

## Monthly Wishlist

We can do the shopping for YOU!

Since February 2020, The HOPE Center of Maryland has received 400,090 pounds of food and non-food necessities. In lieu of monetary or actual food contributions, gift card donations from local retailers such as Aldi, ShopRite, Target, or Walmart are welcome! You may drop off at our administrative office at **2845 Churchville Road, Churchville, MD** or mail your gift card to this address.



**WE  
NEED  
YOUR  
HELP!**





# Hope Feeds... Donate Today.

The HOPE Center of Maryland depends on and is grateful for the generosity of our community supporters.

Listed below are several ways you can partner with The HOPE Center to continue its mission to ensure that no one in Harford County goes hungry:

- You can provide a family of four with (1) day of groceries for \$25.
- You can support a local senior program with essential supplies such as laundry detergent, cleaning products and paper goods for \$50.
- You can provide food for students from local Title I schools in the community for \$75.
- You can provide a family of four with (4) days of groceries for \$100.
- You can help a local pantry program fill their shelves with needed food items for \$150.

***Visit our website to find out more or to make a donation!***

**Donate Here!**

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**BENEFICIARY HIGHLIGHT**

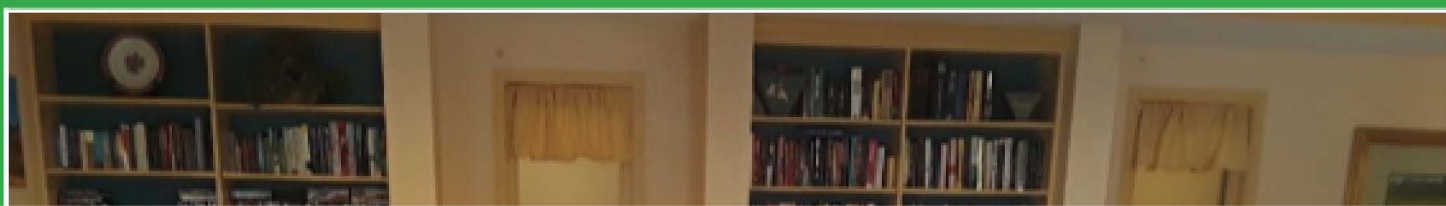


## **Thank You to our Beneficiaries!**

### **Park View Box Hill**

Most residents living at Park View Box Hill have one income; Social Security. Each day many experience financial challenges that make it difficult to stretch their dollars to reach the end of the month. The HOPE Center has been the solution to this problem. Each month The HOPE Center hosts a free shopping experience to all residents. This allows them to fill empty cupboards with basic food pantry items to fresh produce (when in season), paper good items and laundry detergent. Volunteers from The HOPE Center frequently engaged in friendly conversation with lonely residents. The residents look forward to The HOPE Center's arrival every month. In addition to this, food items are donated for meals provided to residents who are ill or over 90 yrs. old and not able to cook each day.

***The HOPE Center is committed to and loves our many friends at Park View Box Hill.***











## **HANDS for HOPE:**

### **Senior Food Distribution Services**

As the cost of basic necessities continues to rise, individuals and families in Harford County are struggling to keep up. The situation is particularly difficult for seniors, thus, to help our elderly neighbors, The HOPE Center of Maryland has launched HANDS for HOPE. Through HANDS for HOPE, The HOPE Center currently provides to residents of several senior housing facilities, including Park View Bel Air, Park View Box Hill, Catholic Charities/Aberdeen Courts. These "shopping days" supply seniors with food supplies, as well as a chance for socialization. We look forward to this exciting opportunity to provide food and hope to those in need!

If you are interested in helping at one of these events, please contact Robert at [robert@thehopecenterofmd.com](mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com) or 443.787.9290. See event calendar above.







# We Love Our Volunteers!

**TOGETHER WE CAN!**

Volunteers are the heartbeat of The HOPE Center of Maryland. Every day, volunteers are making a tangible contribution to our communities. They collect, sort, pack, and distribute food donations, and remind us that our mission could not be achieved without them. We have opportunities for everyone – individuals, families, community organizations and corporate groups. Please visit our website at [www.thehopecenterofmd.com](http://www.thehopecenterofmd.com) for information on volunteering at the Center.

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## Who We Are

The mission of The HOPE Center of Maryland is to bring hope to those in need within our community. Through community partners, we collect food and other essential staples and distribute these products to our network of beneficiaries. Our effort provides these community programs, senior living communities and churches the resources they need to optimally support the people they serve.

***We endeavor to provide our neighbors in need access to nutritious food and instill hope for a bright future.***

**Donate Here!**



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# THANK YOU!

TO OUR DONORS AND VOLUNTEERS