

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





# St. Patrick's Day Celebration

SATURDAY- MARCH 16, 2024

6-10PM

DJ/DANCE • PHOTO BOOTH

SILENT AUCTION / CHANCE AUCTION

GREAT FOOD CATERED BY YOUR DAY GOURMET

CASH BAR (BEER AND WINE)

HELD AT (TUNE) TOWSON UNIVERSITY NORTHEAST 510 THOMAS RUN RD. BELAIR, MD 21015 ALL PROCEEDS WILL SUPPORT THE HOPE CENTER PROGRAMS

EVERY ATTENDEE WILL GET A CHANCE TICKET TO WIN A BASKET
TICKETS- \$40 PER PERSON
TABLE OF 8-\$300

**PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE AT** 

# www.thehopecenterofmd.com

OR IN PERSON CONTACTING ROBERT AT 443-787-9290 EMAIL ROBERT@THEHOPECENTEROFMD.COM

SNOW DATE- APRIL 6, 2024

Come celebrate St. Patrick's Day at The HOPE Center's St. Patrick's Day Celebration!









## **Making a Difference**

Child hunger is a reality in Harford County, Maryland. Weekend meal programs help fill the hunger gap that many school children experience when they are not in school. Through our Beyond Blessings program, The HOPE Center of Maryland provides students attending public schools with bags of kidfriendly, nutritious food to sustain them on weekends.

Beyond Blessings is designed for elementary and middle school students. Social workers distribute these bags to students with the highest need. For the current school year, The HOPE Center of Maryland supplies 140-weekend meal bags to at-risk children attending Bakerfield and Deerfield Elementary Schools and Edgewood Middle School. That comes to 6,160 meal bags or 36,960 meals provided.

We are reaching out to the community for bag sponsors or food collection drives on behalf of The HOPE Center.

For additional information please contact Robert at <a href="robert@thehopecenterofmd.com">robert@thehopecenterofmd.com</a>. Your help is needed. Together we can make an impact in our local schools!

#### Food collection items:

- Fruit, Jell O, and pudding cups
- Mini cereal boxes
- Capri Juice pouches or similar
- Chicken salad cracker kits
- Cheese /peanut butter crackers
- Chewy granola bars
- Microwavable Mac & Cheese
- Microwavable Chef Boyardee meals
- Individual-size Cheez-It, cookies, or fruit gummies snacks









### **Hope Feeds**

Your Donation Is The Difference.

The HOPE Center of Maryland is grateful for the generosity of our community supporters. Your monetary contribution helps to keep our storehouse stocked with food and basic necessities such as toilet paper and laundry detergent that are needed to help our neighbors who struggle to have enough of these items. Listed below are 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 \$30.
- · You can help an at-risk child through our weekend meal program for one month, providing 24 meals for \$45.
- · You can support 10 seniors with essential items such as laundry detergent, dish soap, and paper goods for \$75.
- · You can provide a family of four with (4) days of groceries for \$120.
- · You can help an at-risk child through our weekend meal program for one school year, providing 240 meals for \$485.

To make a tax-deductible contribution, you may donate online at our website, <u>www.thehopecenterofmd.com</u> or mail to:

The HOPE Center of Maryland 2843 Churchville Road, Churchville, MD 21028.

We appreciate your commitment and support!

Donate Here!

### **CHECK IT OUT!**





#### **Virtual Food Market**

You can support our hunger relief efforts by shopping on our Virtual Food Market. The best part is that it is easy, simple, and from the comfort of your home. This is a way to help provide the much-needed food to our neighbors in need! *Visit our website to find out more!* <a href="https://www.thehopecenterofmd.com">www.thehopecenterofmd.com</a>



# IN THE COMMUNITY!

CARING FOR OTHERS, PROVIDING HOPE



**Upcoming Events** 

Dates to remember – If you are available to help, please contact Robert at robert@thehopecenterofmd.com prior to the event date.

- Saturday, March 16th St. Patrick's Celebration Fundraiser Bel Air
- Saturday, May 11th The Sharing Table
  - o a community feeding event in Edgewood.
- Saturday, August 24th The Sharing Table
  - o a community feeding event in Edgewood.
- Saturday October 19th Bowl-a-Thon Fundraiser Forest Hill Lanes
- Saturday, December 28th The Sharing Table
  - o a community feeding event in Edgewood.



### **Monthly Wishlist**

We can do the shopping for YOU!

Since February 2020, The HOPE Center of Maryland has distributed **694,478** pounds of food and non-food necessities to needy individuals and families in Harford County. 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 2843 Churchville Road, Churchville, MD, or mail your gift card to this address.



### **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 in our community. Through HANDS for HOPE, The HOPE Center currently provides to residents of several senior housing facilities, including Park View Bel Air, Aberdeen Courts, and Park View Box Hill. These monthly "shopping days" supply seniors with food supplies, as well as a chance for friendship and fellowship. Also, The HOPE Center drops off additional foods when donated during the month such as fresh produce (when in season) and Wawa sandwiches and pastries.

If you are interested in helping at one of these events, please contact Robert at <a href="mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com">robert@thehopecenterofmd.com</a> or 443.787.9290. See the event calendar above.



### We Love Our Volunteers!

Volunteers are the heartbeat of The HOPE Center of Maryland. Every day, volunteers are making a difference in Harford County. They collect, sort, pack, and distribute food donations to our neighbors who are facing a lack of food in their homes. The HOPE Center of Maryland cannot fulfill its mission without our committed and faithful volunteers.

We have opportunities for everyone – individuals, families, community organizations, churches, and corporate groups. Please visit our website at www.thehopecenterofmd.com for information on volunteering at the center or email Robert at <a href="mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com">robert@thehopecenterofmd.com</a>. **TOGETHER WE CAN!** 

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1. For Christmas, supporters of The HOPE Center provided gifts and gift cards for 5 Joppatowne High School families. Seventy Seven \$25 gift cards were collected and two families were adopted with Christmas gifts.





- 2. The HOPE Center gave 327 Christmas treat bags filled with candy & cookies to our senior friends at Park View Bel Air, Aberdeen Courts, and Park View Box Hill. Christmas cards were made by students from Bakerfield and Deerfield Elementary Schools and Edgewood Middle School.
- 3. On December 30th, The HOPE Center provided 333 carry out meals at The Sharing Table, in Edgewood. In 2023, 969 carry out meals were provided by The HOPE Center. We will be at the Sharing Table again on Saturday, May 11th. If you would like to be a part of the team, please contact Robert at **robert@thehopecenterofmd.com**















### **Who We Are**

The mission of the HOPE Center of Maryland is to deliver hope and nourish our neighbors with the okay food they need to thrive for a bright future.

Through community food partners, we collect food and essential necessities and distribute these items to our network of beneficiaries. Our effort provides these community programs and churches with the resources they need to assist the people they serve.

The vision of the HOPE Center of Maryland is to relieve hunger in Harford County.

Donate Here!

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