



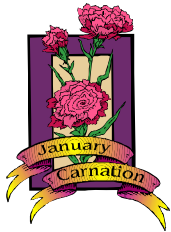
The Harvest

Meeting the Need to Feed

Palm Beach Harvest
561-689-4090

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It's a New Year



Another year has begun. 2006 presented serious changes for Palm Beach Harvest when, abruptly and nearing the holidays, we lost 91% of the donated food we had come to depend on for the last eight years.

We are grateful to our transporters who continue to pick up and deliver thousands of pounds of good, nutritious food to our partner agencies who share it with the growing number of needy Palm Beach County residents.



What do they get for donating their time to transporting the ever-growing base of donated food to its destinations? To our loyal transporters, the reward is knowing that because of you, a child, a family, a hungry neighbor will be fed today.

We can never thank our transporters enough. So once again, thank you so much, you who give so generously of your time, to make Palm Beach County a place where we give our fellow human beings a helping hand.

Yet, the need grows. Please, volunteer to be a transporter of donated food, contributing as little as **two hours a week** so that needy children and adults can be fed today.

Transporters are the heart of Palm Beach Harvest. We need you to help us transport surplus food.

♥ Transporters commit to only about two hours of service per week.

Palm Beach Harvest is changing.

Palm Beach Harvest has partnered with local businesses and charitable agencies since 1998 to provide transportation of donated food that would otherwise be thrown away to agencies who distribute it to homeless and needy people in Palm Beach County; and we continue to do that. Only now, we've lost our main source of donated surplus food and are forced to ask for donations of funds and to institute nonperishable food drives. Please...

Donate Time Or Your Dime

- ♥ PBH does its best to pair routes with locations close to transporters' homes.
- ♥ Transporters should be able to lift as much as 40 pound boxes of food.
- ♥ If you have other expertise you can offer such as Excel spreadsheets for data entry of weight logs or marketing/public relations skills, you can help as well!

Please come to one of our **monthly orientation meetings held the second Monday of each month** where you can get your credentials to start lending a helping hand where **it's needed more than ever**. We're looking forward to seeing you at the next orientation meeting at Goodwill Industries.

Orientation Meetings

6:00 p.m. at Goodwill Industries, 1715 Tiffany Drive East, West Palm Beach

- Directions: I-95, exit 45th Street, go east past Congress Avenue to Tiffany Drive East on the right, follow around to parking lot of Goodwill Industries.
- **Call 561-689-4090 for information.**

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◆ **Palm Beach Harvest Has Growing Pains**

The only thing you can count on is that things change. Palm Beach Harvest is changing. For many years, we've had most of our eggs in one basket, and that basket has been taken away. We appreciate the generosity over the last eight years of our biggest donor, but they now have other priorities. We are forced to change our operation from that of only transporting donated food to having canned food drives and soliciting donations because we now have to buy the lion's share of the food we distribute.



◆ **Donations Pour In**

At the outset of our setback (just in time for the holidays), Palm Beach Harvest turned to the Palm Beach County community, and you came through admirably. Our initial donation drive, supported by Riverside National Bank, yielded \$16,000.00 which bought gift cards that were distributed to our receiving agencies and soup kitchens in order to buy food to distribute to the needy.

A special THANK YOU to the G.F.W.C. Jupiter-Tequesta Junior Woman's Club for their of \$5,000.00. We are deeply grateful to all the generous donors who sent funds.

We deeply appreciate radio stations KOOL 105.5 FM and WJNO AM for getting the word out about our food drives. They broadcasted live at four locations throughout Palm Beach County and collected nonperishable food.

Palms West Chamber of Commerce featured a canned food drive to benefit Palm Beach Harvest at the Wellington Holiday

Parade, and Two Men and a Truck Moving Company provided transportation.

◆ **The Community Pitches In**

Many community-minded businesses and organizations sponsored emergency food drives when our donations were abruptly rescinded.

Jaffe-Seal Realty Company, Keller-Williams Real Estate West Palm Beach and ReMax Direct in Wellington all provided trucks to transport the food collected at the food drives. Trademark Metals Recycling LLC weighed the trucks free of charge to determine the total poundage contributed. Other organizations sponsoring food drives include:

Mom's Club—Lety Santana; Hadassah—Elaine Gluckman; Buckeye Plumbing—Julie Gwinner; Stephen W. Bradford, DDS; Benjamin School—Patty Walczak; Grove Park Elementary School; Lockheed Aircraft—Jody Shermon; Wellington Medical Center—Michelle & Richard; Christa McAuliff School; Paxton Communications; Nova Northeastern University—Rose Popovics; Earl Stewart Toyota; Christ Fellowship—Pastor McNett donated the canned goods from Christmas Boat Parade; Kaiser College; Nike Women; Inlet Grove—Marlow Weingart; Freedom Shores Elementary School; Panera Bread; Whole Foods Market Palm Beach Gardens.

Our deepest appreciation goes out to all who responded to this emergency. We're not out of the woods yet, but your efforts helped to quell the immediate need. Thank you to everyone who pitched in!

Thanks to our supporters who generously provide goods and services to Palm Beach Harvest

- 👍 Archway Cookies
- 👍 Around Wellington Magazine
- 👍 Beef O'Brady's
- 👍 Benvenuto's Caterestaurant
- 👍 Bush Brothers Inc.
- 👍 City Cellar Restaurant
- 👍 Commerce Bank
- 👍 Dan the Printer
- 👍 FloridaWise Magazine
- 👍 Goes Incentives & Awards Inc.
- 👍 Goodwill Industries

- 👍 Ken-Rose Catering Inc
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- 👍 Publix
- 👍 Riverside National Bank
- 👍 Seagull Industries
- 👍 Southeast Catering Inc.
- 👍 Sysco Corporation
- 👍 Wellington the Magazine
- 👍 Wise Workshop Graphic Design
- 👍 Whole Foods Markets





Thanks to all our **zone coordinators and transporters** for a job well done! Help our Harvest volunteer data processors by mailing your weight logs promptly at the end of each month. A great effort of time and detail go into processing these weight logs. Please help us out by being on time.

Zones 1 and 2—zip codes 33403, 33404, 33407, 33408, 33410, 33412, 33418, 33422, 33458, 33469, 33477, 33478

Arkis & Herbert McCray,
561-396-3166
561-844-7502

Zone 3—zip codes 33401, 33409, 33417, 33413, 33480
Position Available—call today! 689-4090

Zones 4 and 5—zip codes 33405, 33406, 33415, 33460, 33461, 33462, 33463, 33467, 33411, 33414, 33470, **Cathy Owens, 561-632-5669**

Zones 6, 7 and 8—zip codes 33416, 33435, 33436, 33437, 33444, 33445, 33446, 33483, 33484, 33428, 33431, 33432, 33433, 33434, 33486, 33487, 33496, 33498

Mike Winokur
561-496-5221

Welcome to new volunteers and agencies who have joined

Palm Beach Harvest in its mission to feed needy people:

- Norice Sanders—Abundant Life Fellowship
- Betty Martin—New Day Fellowship
- Crystal Atkinson—At the Cross Ministry
- Jean Patterson—Feast of the Lord, Gray's Temple CME Church
- Nancy Jean
- Roserie Milien
- Lovely Bien-Aime
- Fabiola Dabady
- Hostonia Segu
- Linda Evantus
- Tiffany Powell
- Jacqueline Curry
- Tina Dudley
- Katina Thomas
- Breanna Allender
- Nicholas Sheffer
- Michelle DiForio



Palm Beach Harvest is straining at the seams to deliver its promise: *Meeting The Need to Feed*



Deborah Morgan, Palm Beach Harvest's Executive Director, offers her insights:

As the school year starts, I'm reminded of how I came to Palm Beach Harvest. Back in 1998, a chance encounter changed my life. I was interviewing first-graders to find out what kinds of foods they were eating at home. One little boy was very reluctant to talk to me. He seemed shy and withdrawn. I asked, "What did you have for breakfast?" He looked at the floor. "I didn't eat breakfast." "Why didn't you didn't eat?" (I thought, did you just get up too late?) After a pause, he answered, "**It wasn't my turn to eat today.**" I decided then that something had to be done to help him and the countless other children and adults who go without food right here in our own back yard. Palm Beach Harvest gave me that opportunity. Back then, PBH was a grass-roots, all-volunteer organization, a chapter of USA Harvest. We simply transported donated surplus food to local agencies who distributed it to hungry people through food kitchens providing meals or free grocery pickups. Since then both our donor base and the number of hungry people have grown tremendously, and we get large-scale donations that must be transported and refrigerated. Reluctantly, we've changed our scope and need funding for trucks, drivers, gas and refrigerated storage. So please, donate time and, if you can, your dime. Just fill out the form below or call with your pledge. It isn't right for our neighbors' children to go without food, but right next door, they do.

Thanks

Yes! I want to help Palm Beach Harvest with a contribution in the amount of

\$100/month \$50/month \$25/month \$20/month \$15/month
 \$10/month Other

I prefer to make a one-time gift in the amount of \$ _____

Name _____

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Palm Beach Harvest Mission and Background

Mission

Palm Beach Harvest coordinates the transportation of surplus food from food donors to non-profit agencies throughout Palm Beach County.

Background

Palm Beach Harvest, a non-profit 501C organization, was founded in May 1998. It is an organization comprised of volunteers who donate their time to transporting donated food to non-profit charitable organizations. We officially began our first food pickups in January 1999. We are a chapter of USA Harvest, a national organization founded in Kentucky in 1988.

Goals

Palm Beach Harvest is striving to bring to the public awareness of the devastating problem of ever-growing congenital hunger and poverty in Palm Beach County. While attempting to partner with and liaison between food-producing and distributing business who must dispose of millions of pounds of good food daily and transport it to agencies who can distribute it to those in need, Palm Beach Harvest also wants to make the public more knowledgeable and accountable for alleviating this problem at the grass roots level.



Have a happy and healthy year, and please don't forget those in need.

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