

# The WAY Happenings

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## A QUICK UPDATE FROM EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



**LEANN PIERCE**

The WAY Center has had an exciting year so far with several projects in the works. Many of which were put on hold last year due to COVID, but we are working diligently to catch up. At the same time we are looking forward and moving forward with some incredible new programs and services. As we look back and look ahead I am reminded of one of my favorite scriptures, "And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose." Romans 8:28. As you will see in this newsletter God has provided some amazing opportunities for us in spite of the pandemic. We are incredibly thankful for all God has done and continues to do in our midst. We hope you see a place to join God in His work here at The WAY Center.

## TEAM WORK MAKES THE DREAM WORK

**BECOME A CHAMPION!!!** We are currently seeking a minimum of seventeen team members to help us kick off our new **WAY 2 Work Program** in January 2022. We will be utilizing **Jobs For Life** curriculum and need to fill the following volunteer positions: Lead class facilitator, Administrator, Champion team leader, Business relations leader, Student Relations leader, Prayer team leader, and Champions. Each position has a specific job description and will be trained for the position. We will need approximately 10 Champions in order to have the greatest success. These champions will journey along with our program participants providing friendship, support, guidance, assistance, and a sense of community that will help students complete the JFL course and overcome employment barriers.

**If you desire to help people by providing a hand up, not just a hand out and sense the Lord may be calling you to help us with this new endeavor please call our office at 863-422-2309 or email our program director at [s.burton@thewaycenter.org](mailto:s.burton@thewaycenter.org).**

No time to give? No problem! We understand. Please consider being a **FINANCIAL CHAMPION** by making a one-time contribution or becoming a monthly partner for our WAY 2 Work Program. Along with resume building, vocational planning, character building, and mock interviews, The WAY Center will also help participants with financial road blocks that keep them from reaching educational and vocational goals.

# CONGRATS

## WE PURCHASED OUR BUILDING!

Join us in celebration on our building purchase! We would like to honor Paul and Chere Senft for their faithful support over the years and for allowing us the opportunity to purchase our current building at 20 N. 6th street. The ministry would not be where it is today if not for their incredible generosity. Polk Sheriff Charities donated \$40,000 toward this project and we are forever grateful for their partnership as well.





# CRISIS CARE PROGRAM

We have new funding for our Crisis Care Program that has allowed us to serve over 100 families in quarter 1 of 2021. This program provides basic needs such as food, hygiene, clothing, gas cards, resource referrals and financial assistance for rent and emergency lodging. Those in need can call the main number to speak with a Team Advisor that will help them with valuable resources and support.



## THE WAY HOME UPDATES

We have new beds! Many thanks to Florida's Natural Growers Foundation, Badcock Home Furniture, and anonymous donors for helping us complete this project.

A new playset for the kids! We want to recognize Florida's Natural Growers Foundation for the funding, Aquatic Weed Management, and all of the volunteers that helped with installation.



## SERVE DAY - JUNE 5TH

A huge thank you to Winter Haven Worship Center for blessing us during their Serve Day event on June 5th! We had groups at the WAY Home who painted, did yard work, and set up our outdoor play area for our little ones.

**THANK YOU** for your help!



## CLOSINGS

The WAY Center will be closed July 4th-12th to give our team a much deserved break!

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