

# Giving Coast

DONOR'S  
GUIDE TO  
GIVING  
ON THE GULF  
COAST OF  
FLORIDA

YOUR GUIDE TO GIVING OPPORTUNITIES THAT WILL IMPACT THE NONPROFIT ORGANIZATIONS WORKING IN THE REGION.  
BECOME A PART OF THE LOCAL PHILANTHROPIC STORY BY FULFILLING THEIR GIVING BACK WISH LISTS!



# Florida Cancer Specialists Foundation

A cancer diagnosis can change everything. For some, it may mean the added stress of financial hardship. The Florida Cancer Specialists (FCS) Foundation, a 501 (c) 3 organization, provides financial support to qualified adult cancer patients in the state of Florida for expenses such as rent or mortgage, car payments and car insurance, and utility bills. By giving patients peace of mind in knowing that their bills are being paid while they are undergoing treatment, the FCS Foundation allows them to concentrate on what really matters – fighting cancer. This financial assistance immediately impacts cancer patients and their families in local communities.

Due to the generosity of the Florida Cancer Specialists physicians in covering all overhead expenses for the Foundation, 100% of donations received go directly towards paying the essential non-medical living expenses of an adult battling cancer.

*The FCS Foundation is proud to serve veterans and first responders.*



**FCS Foundation Mission:** Providing non-medical, financial assistance to adults undergoing cancer treatment in Florida to allow them to focus on fighting cancer.



5204 PAYLOR LANE, SARASOTA, FL 34240  
941-677-7181 | FOUNDATION.FLCANCER.COM

## Our Wishlist

Make a general donation or **donate in memory or honor of a loved one**. All donations go towards helping cancer patients with their non-medical living costs, and can be made by credit card, phone or check.

Volunteer to be a **Financial Aid Screener** at our Sarasota Foundation office—answer phones, help process incoming on-line applications, determine patient eligibility and ensure all required documentation has been submitted, so a grant approval decision can be made as quickly as possible.

Become a **Patient Support** volunteer—spend quality time with patients in the cancer center treatment area to provide comfort and companionship, a smile, beverage, snack, or a listening ear.

Become an **Event Volunteer**—assist with special event set up, registration and clean up. Pre-event opportunities include joining event committees, soliciting donations for event auctions, obtaining prospective sponsors and preparing event decorations.





## Our WishList

### Angel Fund

Veterinary Clinic fund that is used to provide treatment for animals when their families cannot afford the cost of needed medical services.

### Spay and Neuter Funding

to provide these surgeries at low cost/no cost for low-income residents

### Shelter Operating Funding

to provide medical care for animals in our Second Chance Adoption Program.

### Educational Outreach Funding

for our school-age children outreach programs.

### Feral Spay and

**Neuter Funding** for our TNR (Trap, Neuter, Release) program for Feral and free-roaming community cats.

# Humane Society of Manatee County

Humane Society of Manatee County is committed to leading Manatee County in fostering compassion and respect for animals through care, education and collaboration.

Humane Society of Manatee County is a 501(c) 3 not-for-profit animal welfare organization that was originally formed in 1970, and today is regarded as the lead animal welfare agency in Manatee County.

The Humane Society of Manatee County operates a shelter, the Second Chance Adoption Center and a veterinary clinic / high volume spay and neuter clinic located at 2415 - 2515 14th Street W in Bradenton.

Each year, the Second Chance Adoption Shelter re-homes more than 1000 dogs and cats through adoptions. Many of the animals that enter our Second Chance Adoption Program are medically challenged or have behavioral issues. Each animal receives the highest quality of care, including medical treatment and behavioral training to complete the rehabilitation process and becoming adoptable. In September of 2015, the Humane Society of Manatee County opened a new 10,000-square-foot veterinary clinic on its campus to expand the high-volume spay and neuter clinic and provide high quality, low-to-moderate cost veterinary care for dogs and cats in Manatee County. From October 1, 2017 through September 31, 2018, more than 14,000 animals received medical care at the Humane Society of Manatee County Veterinary Clinic.

Expanding beyond high volume spay and neuter services and vaccines, the clinic has added wellness services, dental procedures, minor surgeries and has digital x-ray capability. Services continue to be expanded or added to meet the growing and changing needs of the community's dogs and cats.



2515 14TH STREET W, BRADENTON, FL | [HUMANEMANATEE.ORG](http://HUMANEMANATEE.ORG)  
941-747-8808 | [INFO@HUMANESOCIETYMANATEE.ORG](mailto:INFO@HUMANESOCIETYMANATEE.ORG)



# Meals on Wheels PLUS of Manatee

To assist individuals to live independently by providing nutrition and caring, supportive services. Meals on Wheels PLUS of Manatee offers comprehensive care and essential programs including The Food Bank of Manatee, Daybreak Adult Day Center, Enrichment Center at Renaissance on 9th, and Friendship Dining. While initially founded in 1972, with the purpose of providing hot, nutritious meals to the elderly and disabled residents of Manatee County, Meals on Wheels PLUS of Manatee became so much more. The organization grew in response to community needs, and eventually the “PLUS” programs were added. Today, we deliver over 700 lunch and dinner meals on 55 routes throughout Manatee County with the assistance of hundreds of volunteers. In 2018, we started mobile produce distribution providing fresh produce delivery to home-delivered meal clients, the Manatee County Health Department’s Women, Infants, and Children Program (WIC), and title I schools in Manatee. Since 1985, The Food Bank of Manatee has cumulatively distributed over 35 million pounds of food and is the largest hunger relief organization servicing over 100 food pantries and agencies throughout Manatee. Over the last summer break, we distributed over 110,000 meals to food insecure students through our “Sack” Summer Hunger program. WE FEED MANATEE!

## Our Wishlist

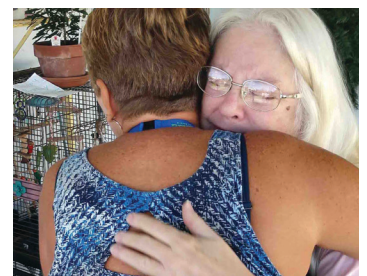
**Year of Fresh Produce  
Delivered to Seniors**  
- \$12,000

**New Food Bank  
Pallet Jack**  
-\$5,000

**Adopt-a-Senior,  
1 meal a day for a year**  
- \$2,000

**Adopt-a-Senior,  
2 meals a day for a year**  
- \$4,000

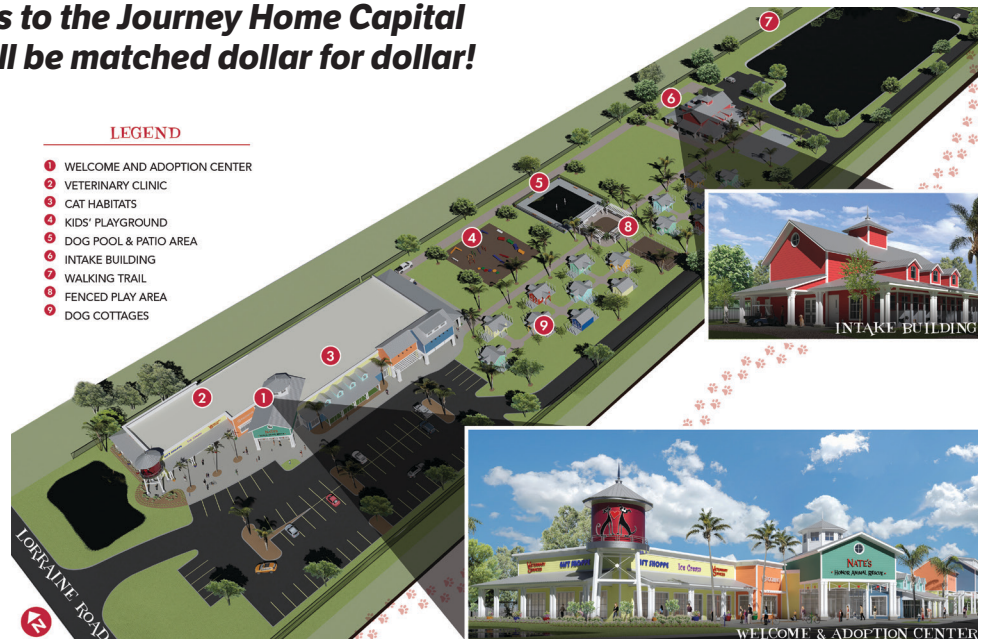
**Meal Delivery  
Volunteers**  
- FREE



941-747-4655 | [WWW.MEALSONWHEELSPUS.ORG](http://WWW.MEALSONWHEELSPUS.ORG)  
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**All donations to the Journey Home Capital Campaign will be matched dollar for dollar!**



**6 new dog cottages**  
Will double the dogs saved each year to over 3,000

**New cat habitat**  
A new indoor/ outdoor cat enclosure complete with cat café for patrons to interact with adoptable cats

**Family Friendly Education and Community Center** This 20,000 sq ft building will allow adopters to socialize with potential new pets, have a children's resource and education room, and a large community room for birthday parties, events, and community meetings

**Animal Care Center**  
A new state of the art medical facility and a highly trained veterinary staff specializing in shelter medicine that will allow us to save more sick and injured animals.

**Behavior and Training Center** Training classes to make shelter pets more adoptable and behavior interventions to help current pet owners so pets don't end up in a shelter

## Nate's Honor Animal Rescue

Since we began as a foster based rescue in 2007, our vision of what animal rescue is has always been different. It is what sets us apart from any other shelter. We created a unique environment for animals that was less stressful and healthier for them and more inviting for adopters by eliminating large warehouse-like housing and creating smaller kennel cottages. That innovative vision has led to the highest adoption rates in Manatee and Sarasota Counties. In ten years, we have seen our adoptions go from 150 animals a year to over 2100, and we are ready to grow again. The Journey Home Capital Campaign includes major site work to remedy current flooding issues while increasing our capacity by 50%. We have become a destination shelter, with families coming from hours away to adopt a pet. We have responded to the demand for help by expanding our partnerships with high kill facilities in Manatee, Sarasota, Charlotte, Desoto, and other rural counties. We don't want to "just" save animals. We believe we will change the way people think about shelters and shelter pets. With a volunteer to staff ratio of 20:1, we know our community believes it too. Help us answer the call and complete the Journey Home.

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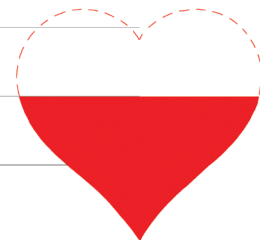
THE RANCH | 4951 LORRAINE ROAD, BRADENTON, FL 34211  
NATESHONORANIMALRESCUE.ORG | 941-538-6206

Almost Home

Half-way Home

Unleash the possibilities

Make our pet project your own





# SunCoast Blood Bank

February 14, 2019, marked the 70th anniversary of SunCoast Blood Bank, one of the oldest nonprofits in our community. In 1949, it was known as the Lower West Coast Blood Bank. Although the name has changed, the guiding principles of remaining an independent, local healthcare provider, governed by a local board and local management have remained intact. In 1949, the Blood Bank collected 551 pints of blood, now called units. Today, SunCoast operates four donor centers, and hosts more than 1,300 blood drives annually. The success of the organization rests completely on the generosity of volunteer donors. We also rely on financial donors to fund the technology necessary to keep the blood supply safe and readily available. We are proud that 93 cents of every dollar donated goes directly to our mission.



**Photo Story:** Diagnosed with Triple Positive breast cancer In June 2018, Karissa's doctors attacked this aggressive form of cancer with a four-drug chemotherapy regimen before she underwent a mastectomy and reconstructive surgery. Following surgery, Karissa experienced a small-vessel hemorrhage and required three units of blood. We often tell you about the catastrophic traumas that require massive amounts of blood, but did you know the majority of blood products we collect treat cancer patients? Whether a patient needs three or 30 units of blood, the result is the same – a life can be saved. "My husband has been a SunCoast blood donor for over 10 years. I never imagined I would be a recipient of this precious gift from other donors like him. When you donate blood, you not only save lives, you save families," said Karissa.

SCBB.ORG 1.866.97-BLOOD SOCIAL MEDIA (FACEBOOK, TWITTER, INSTAGRAM, YOUTUBE, LINKEDIN)

## Our Wishlist

### More platelet donors!

Platelets are vital for the treatment of cancer patients and only last 5 days.

### Funds to purchase the technology

needed to equip our new bloodmobile. A single blood collection instrument costs up to \$65,000.

**Larger facility** to house our entire operation as the need for blood products increases.



Proud to serve Sarasota Memorial Healthcare System, Manatee Memorial Hospital, Lakewood Ranch Medical Center, Doctors Hospital of Sarasota, Complex Care Hospital of Ridgeland, Encompass Health Rehabilitation Hospital of Sarasota, North Port Emergency Room, Fawcett Memorial Hospital, Englewood Community Hospital, DeSoto Memorial Hospital.



## Our Wishlist

**Funding for**  
Jewish families in need.

**Support for the**  
local Holocaust survivor  
population and Holocaust  
education.

**Scholarships**  
for teen travel to Israel.

**Funding to** provide  
books and music for  
Jewish children.

**Support for**  
comprehensive Jewish  
programming for the  
community.

# The Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee

For 60 years, The Jewish Federation of Sarasota-Manatee has worked diligently to fulfill its mission: to strengthen Jewish life and identity in our community, provide for Jewish people in need, and promote support for Israel. We support programs that care for the vulnerable in Sarasota-Manatee, in Israel and around the world. We build community through strong relationships with partners in education, cultural arts, social services and area nonprofits. The Jewish Federation is the only local Jewish organization focused on the whole – all of us thriving together. We are the center of Jewish life – serving as community convener; fostering an open exchange of ideas; developing programs and strengthening services that connect our constituents to their Jewish identity; and evaluating the effectiveness and impact of all programs and services. Our goal is to create a thriving community that embraces diverse individuals and offers meaningful Jewish experiences. By engaging both the Jewish and secular communities, we build relationships that allow us to broaden the menu of touch points through which individuals can connect – with the Federation and with one another. With your help, we will continue to work together to achieve our vision of a vibrant local Jewish community.



THE LARRY GREENSPON FAMILY CAMPUS FOR JEWISH LIFE  
580 MCINTOSH RD, SARASOTA, FL 34232  
941-371-4546 | [WWW.JFEDSRQ.ORG](http://WWW.JFEDSRQ.ORG)





## Our Wishlist

### Hearing Loop Installation

Help us make our performances more accessible to the hearing-impaired.

### Sponsor an Intern

The next generation of theater professionals are getting their starts right here at Urbanite.

### Uber/Lyft Gift Cards

We frequently have guest artists in town without local transportation, help us make their experiences better!

### Student Ticket Sponsorships

\$27 subsidizes the cost of one of our \$5 student tickets. Over 500 students per year take advantage of this program.

### Commission a New Play

We're fiercely dedicated to growing the next generation of great theater artists, are you?

## Urbanite Theatre

Urbanite Theatre is committed to creating visceral, shared experiences by fearlessly lifting up the boldest new voices in theatre. We believe in inclusive, artist-first storytelling, daring honesty, and the powerful connectivity of an intimate space.

**URBANITE  
THEATRE**  
sarasota

1487 2ND STREET, SARASOTA, FL 34236  
941-321-1397 | WWW.URBANITETHEATRE.COM



## Our Wishlist

**Your gift of \$20**  
will give an animal a  
microchip to help them  
find their way home.

**Your gift of \$200**  
will spay or neuter  
three animals.

**Your gift of \$2000**  
will allow our transport  
to provide a day of free  
spay/neuter surgeries to  
the communities that  
need it most.



6320 TOWER LANE, SARASOTA, FLORIDA 34240  
941-957-1955 | ARCSRQ.ORG

## Big Cat Habitat

Our mission is to provide a safe, loving and permanent home for big cats and other exotic creatures in need, and to educate our guests on the importance of species preservation to ensure the survival of these magnificent animals for future generations. We are firmly committed to keeping alive the Human-Animal connection in our world and in our community.



7101 PALMER BLVD., SARASOTA, FL 34240  
941-371-6377 | BIGCATHABITAT.ORG

## Our Wishlist

**Learning Center for All Ages** to communicate and educate on Conservation issues relating to the survival of endangered species, and preserving our local environment.

**Expansion of habitats** and enrichment areas for the big cats in our care.

**On-site animal care clinic/senior center** to provide veterinary care for animals without the stress associated with off-site transport of animals in need of veterinary supervision.

## Our Wishlist

**Scholarship support**  
for a child to obtain a  
one-year Boys & Girls  
Clubs membership

**Support for programs**  
in Character and  
Leadership Development,  
Education and Career  
Development, Health and  
Life Skills, the Arts, and  
Sports, Fitness and  
Recreation

**Funds for**  
curriculum supplies for  
teens in leadership, service,  
entrepreneurial, vocational  
and college and career  
prep programs

# Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County

Boys & Girls Clubs of Sarasota County has been a leading youth-serving organization since 1970, and provides enriching after-school and summer programs to thousands of youth, ages 6 to 18, at six Clubs in Sarasota, Venice, North Port and Arcadia. The organization's mission is to enable all young people, especially those who need services the most, to reach their full potential as productive, caring, responsible citizens.



3130 FRUITVILLE ROAD, SARASOTA, FL 34237  
941-366-3911 | BGCSARASOTA.COM

## Cat Depot

Cat Depot's mission is to save lives, find loving homes, and provide resources and education to improve the destiny of homeless cats. Cat Depot, a nonprofit, free-roaming adoption, rescue, and education center, is recognized for its progressive design and commitment to helping homeless, abandoned, and injured felines. In 2018, Cat Depot found loving forever homes for 1,424 cats and kittens.



Photos courtesy of Laura Towle.

## Our Wishlist

**Wet and Dry  
Cat Food for  
the Community  
Food Bank**

**Powder Kitten  
Formula (KMR)  
for Kitten Season**

**Volunteers**



2542 17TH STREET, SARASOTA, FL 34234  
941-366-2404 | WWW.CATDEPOT.ORG  
HOURS: MONDAY – FRIDAY, 11 AM TO 7 PM AND SATURDAY – SUNDAY, 11 AM TO 5 PM



## Our Wishlist

**10 Sailor Circus  
Academy Student need-  
based scholarships**  
\$1,000 each.

**Program for area  
nursing home by human  
service outreach team**  
\$250 each facility.

**Supplies for Title 1  
Classroom circus-arts  
integrated STEAM  
education program**  
\$100 per classroom.



2075 BAHIA VISTA ST., SARASOTA, FL 34239  
941-355-9335 CIRCUSARTS.ORG

## Community Foundation of Sarasota County

We believe everyone has the power to impact another person, a cause, a community.  
Powered by philanthropy, we help our donors create a community where we all want to live.

## Our Wishlist



**Season of Sharing**  
Helping individuals and  
families on the verge of  
homelessness in Sarasota,  
Manatee, Charlotte and  
DeSoto counties.

**Student Emergency  
Fund** Assisting students  
in Sarasota County with  
basic needs.

**EdExploreSRQ**  
Providing students with  
explorations that connect  
classroom learning to  
community arts, science  
and history experiences  
with local nonprofit  
organizations.



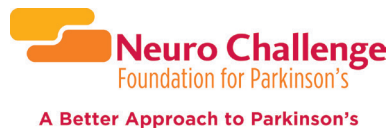
2365 FRUITVILLE ROAD, SARASOTA, FL 34237  
941-955-3000 | CFSARASOTA.ORG

## Our Wishlist

**Serve** the estimated 9,000 people diagnosed with Parkinson's in our region—we currently provide services to 2,700+.

**Educate** the medical community at large how to identify and better treat people with Parkinson's.

**Create** a community of support and empowerment by providing Parkinson's specific resources to people with PD and their caregivers.



722 APEX ROAD SUITE A, SARASOTA, FL 34240  
941-926-6413 | NEUROCHALLENGE.ORG

## St. Martha Catholic School

In partnership with Jesus Christ and the teachings of the Catholic Church, the mission of St. Martha Catholic School is to provide each student with diverse opportunities, which develop strength in faith, and excellence in knowledge and learning. Students build character through their Christian service to the school, parish and world communities.



## Our Wishlist

**Sandbox for  
Preschool**

**Interactive Panels for  
each classroom**

**New technology tools  
for the STREAM Lab**



4380 FRUITVILLE ROAD, SARASOTA, FL, 34232  
941-953-4181 | STMARTHASCHOOL.NET



## Our Wishlist

### Conservation

of John and Mable's  
home in Sarasota,  
the Ca d'Zan.

### Enhancement

of community  
engagement and  
family access.

### Reinstallation

of Museum of  
Art Galleries.



## The Ringling

THE JOHN & MABLE RINGLING MUSEUM OF ART  
STATE ART MUSEUM OF FLORIDA | FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

# The Ringling

The Ringling serves as the legacy of John and Mable Ringling—a place of art, architecture, and circus in an environment that inspires, educates, and entertains. Our vision is to be an extraordinary center of art and culture that engages the local, state, and global communities and is accessible to and inclusive of all.



5401 BAY SHORE ROAD, SARASOTA, FL 34243  
941-359-5700 | [RINGLING.ORG](http://RINGLING.ORG)