



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



The HOPE Center is thrilled to announce that our organization is the recipient of a generous **\$20,000 grant from the Society of Italian American Businessmen (SIAB)**. We are grateful to SIAB and its members for the faith that they have shown in awarding us this grant. These funds will help The HOPE Center to expand our Beyond Blessings weekend meal bag program to serve more at-risk

students in more Harford County schools.

*One child, one family, one bag at a time - together we can make a difference.*

***Thank you, SIAB for your support!***



The HOPE Center will be hosting a pizza party for 50 clients of Keypoint's Adult Day Program. We are seeking gift card donations to hand out at the party.

We are looking to collect 100 gift cards at \$15 increments from outlets like:

Target • Walmart • Taco Bell  
Chick-fil-A • McDonalds • Burger King



GIFTCARDS CAN BE DROPPED OFF  
TO THE HOPE CENTER  
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## FOOD DRIVE

Help us provide weekend meals for at-risk children attending harford county schools.

The HOPE Center's Beyond Blessings program will provide 335 bags with 6 meals every weekend for the 2024/2025 school year for a total of 84,420 meals. But we need your help!

**Needed Items:** Cheese Crackers with Peanut Butter, Pudding Cups or Fruit Cups, Microwavable Mac & Cheese, CapriSun Juice Pouches, Cup O'Noodle or Ramen Noodles, Microwavable Chef Boyardee Meals, Granola/Chewy Bars



Come support the HOPE Center of Maryland at our next two food drives on **Saturday, November 2nd** at the Food Lion in Churchville and **Saturday, December 7th** at Redners in Bel Air.



# FUNDRAISING TASTES GREAT



Show your support for

**The HOPE Center of Maryland**

**11/12/2024**

at

**1604 Conowingo Road**

With your purchase, a percentage of qualified proceeds will be donated to the organization above. Just mention the organization or show this flyer when placing your order. ©2023 Quality is Our Recipe, LLC.

*We invite you to come support The HOPE Center anytime on **November 12th** at Wendy's on Conowingo Road in Bel Air!*

Please be sure to bring a copy of the flyer (can be shown on the phone) to the Wendy's team when ordering and be sure to mention you are supporting The HOPE Center, to ensure that the order goes toward this fundraiser. If ordering through the drive-thru, please mention you are with this fundraiser **prior to ordering**. The fundraiser runs the whole day – for breakfast, lunch & dinner, and all those times in between!



**FUNDRAISER**



THE  
**HOPE**  
CENTER  
OF MARYLAND



A poster for Operation Christmas Child. On the left, there is a photograph of a young girl with pigtails, wearing a red shirt, holding a white bag and smiling. The text "Good News!" is written in a red, bold, sans-serif font at the top left of the photo, and "Great Joy!" is written in a green, bold, sans-serif font at the bottom left. To the right of the photo, the text "Now collecting for Operation Christmas Child!" is written in a black, sans-serif font, with a small red and white logo to the right. Below this, the text "Bring your completed boxes to Victorious Faith Fellowship by Nov 17th." is written in a white, sans-serif font on a green background. Below that, the text "Or scan this QR Code or follow the link on vffchurch.org to build a box online." is written in a white, sans-serif font. A QR code is located to the right of this text. At the bottom, the address "106 Rock Spring Church Rd Forest Hill, MD 21050" is written in a white, sans-serif font. A small red and white logo is also present at the bottom right of the poster.

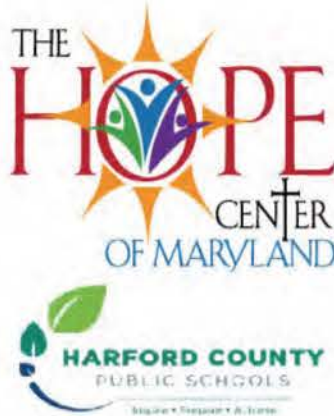
Please consider donating to Operation Christmas Child!  
Visit [vffchurch.org](http://vffchurch.org) for more information or to build a box.





significant impact.  
Thank you for your donation!"

We appreciate our financial and in-kind donors. Your contribution makes a difference in the lives of those we serve - thank you for your generosity and kindness.



We are excited to announce our Beyond Blessing Program is growing!  
We have added 6 new schools to our weekly rotation.  
For the 2024/2025 school year we will provide these schools with a total of 335 bags per week for a total of 84,420 meals.



- Aberdeen Middle
- Bakerfield E.S.
- Deerfield E.S.
- Edgewood Middle
- Edgewood H.S.
- Harford Academy
- Joppatowne E.S.
- Joppatowne H.S.
- Riverside E.S.



**WE NEED YOU!**  
**BAG SPONSORSHIPS NEEDED**

**Making a Difference**  
Childhood 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 at-risk students attending Harford County Public Schools with meal bags of kid-friendly, nutritious food to sustain them on the weekends during the school year.

**1 Bag Cost - \$12**  
**1 Month (4 Bags) Cost - \$48**  
**3 Months (12 Bags) Cost - \$144**  
**1 School Year (44 Bags) Cost - \$528**

Your help is needed.  
Together, let's make an impact in our schools!

We are reaching out to the community for bag sponsorships for The HOPE Center of Maryland.



A sample of food items that are in our weekend meal bags:

- Fruit, Jell O & pudding cups
- Chicken salad cracker kits
- Mini cereal boxes with milk
- Capri Juice pouches or similar
- Granola bars
- Microwavable Mac & Cheese



For more information on Beyond Blessings, please contact Robert at [robert@thehopecenterofmd.com](mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com) or 443.787.9290.



Our volunteers allow the HOPE Center to fulfill its mission and serve our community every day. Thank you for your time and the hard work that you give.

# UPCOMING EVENTS



*Dates to remember – If you are available to help, please contact Robert at [robert@thehopecenterofmd.com](mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com) prior to the event date.*

- **Tuesday, November 12th** – Wendy's Fundraiser (all day), Bel Air
- **Saturday, December 7th** – Redner's Bel Air Food Drive
- **Wednesday, December 11th** – Vagabond Fundraiser (all day), Bel Air
- **Saturday, December 28th** – The Sharing Table, a community feeding event



# NOVEMBER WISH LIST

## WAYS TO GIVE:

• You may order at **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:

**Peanut Butter Cheese Crackers**

**Fruit Gummy Individual Snacks**

**Pasta Sauce**

**Chewy Granola Bars**

**4 to 6 pack of Toilet Paper**



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

## Monthly Wishlist

Since February 2020, The HOPE Center of Maryland has distributed **936,206** pounds of food and non-food necessities to individuals in Harford County. If you'd like to help, you may drop off donations 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. Through HANDS for HOPE, The HOPE Center provides supplemental food items to residents of several senior housing facilities, including Park View Bel Air, Aberdeen Courts, and Park View Box Hill. In

addition, other foods are donated during the month such as fresh produce (when in season), as well as Wawa sandwiches and pastries.

*If you are interested in helping our seniors, please contact Robert at [robert@thehopecenterofmd.com](mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com) or 443.787.9290.*



## **We Love Our Volunteers!**

Volunteers are the heartbeat of The HOPE Center of Maryland. They collect, sort, pack, and distribute food donations to our neighbors who are facing a lack of food in their homes. And, we have opportunities for everyone – individuals, families, community organizations, churches, and corporate groups.

*Please visit our website at [www.thehopecenterofmd.com](http://www.thehopecenterofmd.com) for information on volunteering or to host a food drive or email Robert at [robert@thehopecenterofmd.com](mailto:robert@thehopecenterofmd.com).*

# **IN THE COMMUNITY!**

**— CARING FOR OTHERS, PROVIDING HOPE —**



Thank you to members of the Women of the Moose, Bel Air, for putting together weekend meal bags for students who may not have enough food at home on the weekends. The HOPE Center appreciates you!





The HOPE Center is so grateful to the Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd in Bel Air. Thank you for collecting food items used for the weekend meal program that are assembled weekly for at-risk students attending Harford County Public Schools.



[Above] A big thank you to First Fruits Farm for donating 400 pumpkins to the Hope Center. These pumpkins were distributed to Bakerfield & Deerfield Elementary, Edgewood Middle, Churchville Presbyterian Pre-School, and Towson University Harford County(TUNE). Neighbors helping neighbors!







[Above] Thank you to all the bowling participants who attended the Hope Center's First Annual Bowl a Thon fundraiser. What an atmosphere of fun and great costumes! A special thank you to Forest Hill Lanes, the Bowl A Thon committee, and our wonderful volunteers who helped at the event.





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