



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

BEACON OF HOPE

CARING FOR OTHERS... PROVIDING HOPE.



PEOPLE MATTER TO GOD.



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 OF MARYLAND

2843 Churchville Rd.
Churchville, MD 21028

FOOD DRIVE

HELP US PROVIDE WEEKEND MEALS FOR AT-RISK CHILDREN ATTENDING HARFORD COUNTY SCHOOLS

Childhood hunger is a reality in Harford County, through our Beyond Blessings program, The HOPE Center of Maryland provides students with kid-friendly, nutritious food to sustain them on weekends when free school meals are not available.

The HOPE Center of Maryland will provide **335 bags with 6 meals every weekend for the 2024/2025 school year for a total of 84,420 meals.**

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







For more information please contact Robert Meza at robert@thehopecenterofmd.com or 443.787.9290

Thank you for making an impact in Harford County

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

Food drives are an important source to support our weekend meal bag program, Beyond Blessings. These bags are given to at-risk students attending Harford County Public Schools.



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 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!

Good News!

Now collecting for
Operation Christmas Child!

Bring your completed boxes to Victorious Faith Fellowship by Nov 17th.

Or scan this QR Code or follow the link on vffchurch.org to build a box online.

106 Rock Spring Church Rd
Forest Hill, MD 21050

Great Joy!



Please consider donating to Operation Christmas Child!
Visit vffchurch.org for more information or to build a box.



Thank you for your support in donating school supplies for the 2024-2025 school year. These items will be given to students attending Bakerfield and Deerfield Elementary Schools and Edgewood

Middle School.

WHAT WE NEED
Glue Sticks, Crayons, Highlighters,
Erasers, Pencils, Ziploc Bags,
Notebook Paper, Dry Erase Markers,
Colored Pencils, Post It Notes, Scissors,
Composition Books, Headphones, Tissues,
Pocket Folders w/ Brads, Hand Sanitizer

DROP-OFF LOCATION:
2843 Churchville Road
Churchville, MD 21028

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For more info call:
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or email:
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To Benefit
Bakerfield Elementary, Deerfield Elementary & Edgewood Middle



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



BEYOND BLESSINGS

FEEDING CHILDREN IN HARFORD COUNTY

THE HOPE CENTER OF MARYLAND



Making a Difference



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.



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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.

**SPONSORSHIPS
NEEDED**

- 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



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Food Drive

WILL YOU HOST A FOOD DRIVE FOR US?

THE HOPE CENTER OF MARYLAND

*Yes, We need Your Help
to benefit The HOPE Center of Maryland*

Beyond Blessings provides weekend meal bags to children who may not have enough food at home. Many of those children attend local schools where they can obtain breakfast and lunch on school day.

WHAT WE NEED:

- Fruit & Pudding Cups
- Granola Bars
- Microwavable Mac & Cheese
- Capri Juice Pouches
- Fruit Gummy Snacks
- Microwavable Chef Boyardee Pasta



For more information on how you can help
Visit us at www.thehopecenterofmd.com
Email Robert at robert@thehopecenterofmd.com



WE NEED YOUR HELP!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!



**CALLING ALL RETIREES!
WE NEED YOUR HELP!**



**DO YOU HAVE 2 HOURS A WEEK, OR EVEN
A MONTH TO HELP ??**

Would you like to:

- * Support a great cause?
- * Share your talent and energy with a group of caring individuals?
- * Experience a sense of pride in your accomplishments?
- * Meet like-minded people?
- * Have an incredible amount of fun while doing all of the above?

We especially need help with picking up donations and assembling weekend meal bags for at-risk students attending Harford County Public Schools.

Contact Robert today to learn more about this exciting volunteer opportunity.
443-787-9290 or email Robert at robert@thehopecenterofmd.com



VISIT OUR WEBSITE
www.thehopecenterofmd.com



**THANK YOU TO
OUR AMAZING
VOLUNTEERS!**

Our volunteers are the backbone that allows the HOPE Center to continue to fulfill our 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 prior to the event date.

- **Saturday, November 2nd** – Food Lion Churchville Food Drive
- **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 in Edgewood

OCTOBER WISH LIST

WAYS TO GIVE:

• You may order at **Walmart**, or any other retailer.

Virtual Food Market: See Website at www.thehopecenterofmd.com

Contact us to make drop off/pick up arrangements or if you have any questions.

NEEDS THIS MONTH:

Grape or strawberry jelly squeezable bottle

Peanut Butter 16oz jar

Instant ramen pouch or cup

Chewy granola bars



• **Dropoff:** 2845 Churchville Road
 Churchville, MD 21028
 (Tuesday - Friday 11AM to 3PM)
 • **Email:** robert@thehopecenterofmd.com
 • **Phone:** 443.787.9290

Toilet paper - 4 to 6 roll pack




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Monthly Wishlist

We can do the shopping for YOU!

Since February 2020, The HOPE Center of Maryland has distributed **897,578** 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.

Harford's Most Beautiful



HOPE Center volunteers Leo & Terry Handerhan were recognized last night at Harford's Most Beautiful event. We appreciate all the efforts Terry and Leo do for the HOPE Center of Maryland.





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 supplemental food items during the month 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 or 443.787.9290.



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 robert@thehopecenterofmd.com. **TOGETHER WE CAN!**

IN THE COMMUNITY!

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A big thank you to our Team HOPE Center volunteers for helping out at the Galbani Maryland Italian Festival. Each one did a great job!



