



# HERNANDO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## November 2018



### Are You In Need of Help with Prescriptions

Hernando County Health and Human Services realizes that the cost for some medicines are simply too expensive to afford. This is especially hard for uninsured and underinsured resident, however there are programs to help.

**Patient Assistance Programs (PAPs)**, which are created by pharmaceutical companies provide **free** or **discounted** medicines to those who are unable to afford them. Each program has its own qualifying criteria. Many, but not all pharmaceutical companies have PAPs. The manufacturers who have Patient Assistance Programs do so for various reasons. However, all are designed to help those in need obtain their medicines. Each pharmaceutical company established its own rules and guidelines. All have income guidelines, but they vary considerably. Each company selects which drugs are available on their programs and how long a person can receive assistance.

Although no two programs are exactly alike, most require that the applicant complete an application. Some programs require detailed medical and financial information, while others request very little. All require doctor's signature. Certain programs require the doctor complete a portion of the form while others only need a prescription. Most send the medicine to the doctor's office for distribution to the patient while others send the medicine to the pharmacy or certificates to the patients to give to the pharmacist. Most, but not all programs that cover medicines used to treat chronic diseases offer refills.

There are a few that sell generic medication at a fixed price and the lists of medications that they help with changes all the time. There are websites with information about patient assistance programs, some charge a fee while others do not. We encourage individuals to use the following sites:

**Needy Meds:** [www.needymeds.org](http://www.needymeds.org)

**Rx Assist:** [www.rxassist.org](http://www.rxassist.org)

**Partnership for Prescription Assistance:** [www.pparx.org](http://www.pparx.org)

If help is needed locating your medication, faxing documents or enrolling in a program, contact Health and Human Services. We are familiar with the above sites and others to assist you. Please call for more information or to schedule an appointment at 352-540-4338.

### Health and Human Services

621 West Jefferson Street,  
Brooksville, FL 34601

Phone : (352) 540-4338

Fax: (352) 540-4339

Website: [http://](http://www.hernandocounty.us/departments/departments-f-m/health-human-services)

[www.hernandocounty.us/departments/departments-f-m/health-human-services](http://www.hernandocounty.us/departments/departments-f-m/health-human-services)

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### HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

#### **Mission Statement:**

Providing diverse services designed to assist with resolving human service needs through state mandates, direct services, advocacy and networking.

**Goal:** To provide interim assistance to Hernando County residents in an effort to promote social and economic self-sufficiency.



# EMPLOYMENT AND EDUCATION

## EMPLOYMENT LINKS

**CareerSource Pasco Hernando:**  
352-200-3020

[www.careersourcepascohernando.com](http://www.careersourcepascohernando.com)

**IR Staffing:** 1-800-261-9188

[www.irstaffing.us](http://www.irstaffing.us)

**Temporary Employment Agencies:**

**People Ready:** 352-796-3264

[www.laborready.com](http://www.laborready.com)

**Spherion:** 352-796-6000

[www.spherion.com](http://www.spherion.com)

**Manpower:** 352-592-8071

<https://www.manpower.com>

## Education Links

**Hernando Adult Education Program:** 352-797-7018

<https://www.hernandoschools.org/Domain/1037>

**Pasco-Hernando State College:**

352-688-8798 [www.phsc.edu](http://www.phsc.edu)

**Suncoast Technical Education**

**Center:** 352-352-797-7091

[www.suntech.edu/](http://www.suntech.edu/)

**Mid Florida Community Services, Inc.—Head Start in Hernando**

**County:** 888-227-0010

[www.mfcs.us.com/programs](http://www.mfcs.us.com/programs)

**Early Learning Coalition of Pasco & Hernando Counties, Inc.:** 352-

754-5068 [www.phelc.org/](http://www.phelc.org/)

[vpkparentinformation.php](http://vpkparentinformation.php)

**Vocational Rehabilitation** <https://www.careersourcepascohernando.com/>

## Youth Programs

CareerSource Pasco Hernando offers a youth program designed to provide eligible 18-24 years of age with a variety of options to learn about career opportunities and to gain the skills necessary to succeed in the workplace. Valuable skills obtained through workshops, skills and abilities assessments, internships, job shadowing, industry tours, exposure to professional environments and short term occupational training, help to increase long-term job prospects. Service Learning Projects are also undertaken for youth to play an active role in improving their community while learning the value of community service. Career exploration, resume, development, interviewing skills, and labor market information are additional services providing youth an advantage in entering the workforce.

Income restrictions may apply. The program provides out-of-school youth, ages 18-24 with barriers to employment (dropout, homeless, runaway, foster child, teen parent, offender, basic skills deficiency.) opportunities to succeed.

The types of jobs available depends on you. Reach out to Glenn Anderson, 352-200-3041 for more information or to apply simply visit Career Source Pasco Hernando Office at 16336 Cortez Blvd, Brooksville or apply online at [www.careersourcepascohernando.com](http://www.careersourcepascohernando.com).

## PHSC Hosts Job Fair in Spring Hill

Pasco Hernando State College PHSSC, CareerSource Pasco Hernando, the Hernando Chamber of Commerce, and Hernando County Office of Economic Development will host a Job and Internship Fair on Wednesday, November 7, 2018 from 9:am to noon. The event will be held at the PHSC Spring Hill Campus, 450 Beverly Court, Doors will open at 9:00 am for veteran as well as other job seekers at 9:30am. While this event invites veterans to participate, public participation in the job fair is encouraged and welcomed. Local health care, manufacturing and other employers will meet and greet veterans, PHSC student veterans, and community member seeking employment. Attendees are encouraged to wear professional dress and bring plenty of resumes. Job seeker may pre-register for this event at [opentoalljobfairPhsc2018.eventbrite.com](http://opentoalljobfairPhsc2018.eventbrite.com).

“Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world” ~ Nelson Mandela

# HOUSING AND SHELTER

## National Hunger and Homeless Awareness Week, November 10– 18, 2018

- ◆ Florida has the 3rd largest homeless population in the United States.
- ◆ Numerous studies have identified deinstitutionalization and the Community Mental Health Act of 1963 as a primary factor in setting the stage for current homelessness.
- ◆ The number of low-cost units in the US has fallen from 6.5 million to 5.6 million while the number of low-income renters household have grown from 6.2 million to 8.9 million, making the lack of affordable rental housing for low income households a dynamic that have fostered homelessness in our country.



### Hernando Shelters

**New Beginnings Youth Shelter**, 18377 Sheriff Mylander Way, Brooksville, FL , 352-540-6015

Shelter for youth (ages 10-17). Safe, stable, short-term residential services for youth who have family problems or conflict, or for any other reason. Visit the website for more information. <https://www.yfainc.org/>

**Dawn Center (24 Hour Crisis Hotline)** 352-686-8430

A certified domestic and sexual violence center providing no cost supportive services for victims/survivors to heal and plan their futures.

For more information: <https://www.dawncenter.org/>

### Jericho Road Ministries

As a rescue mission, Jericho Road Ministries provides emergency shelter to homeless men, women, and families on a first come first serve basis. Call prior to check in for availability.

**Men's Shelter:** 352-799-2912 ext. 103 (Check in: 3pm-5pm)  
1090 Mondon Hill Rd., Brooksville, FL 34601

**Women/Family Shelter:** 352-799-2912 ext. 109 (Check in: 3pm-6pm)  
1163 Howell Ave., Brooksville, FL 34601

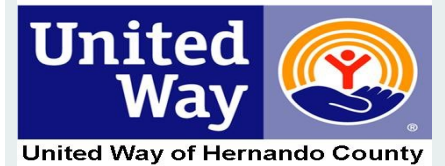
Must be free from alcohol and drugs. A shower, meal, basic toiletries, change of clothing, a bed for the evening, and an opportunity to participate in chapel services is provided.

*(Jericho also offers a 36 week Rehabilitation Program designed to assist men and women in recovery.)*

*For shelters outside the county call Health & Human Services, 352-540-4338 or Mid Florida Homeless Coalition, 352-860-2308*



**LIVE UNITED**



### Jericho Road Ministries

<http://www.jericho-road.net/>

### Dawn Center

<http://www.dawncenter.org/>

### New Beginnings Shelter

<http://www.yfainc.org/>

### The Life Center

<http://www.lifecenterofhernando.com/>

### Mid-Florida Homeless Coalition

<http://www.midfloridahomeless.org/>

### HHS Listing of Area Shelters

<http://www.hernandocounty.us/HealthandHumanServices/homeless/index.asp>

### HHS Low and Affordable Apartment Listing

<http://www.hernandocounty.us/HealthandHumanServices/housing/index.asp>

### Hernando County Housing Authority

<http://www.hernandocounty.us/housing/>

### Hernando Down Payment Assistance Program—NSP3

<http://www.hernandodownpayment.com/>

## PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH

# HealthCare.gov

### Affordable Care Act (ACA) - Open Enrollment

You can enroll in or change 2019 Marketplace health insurance right now. The 2019 Open Enrollment Period runs from **November 1, 2018 to December 15, 2018**.

- **November 1, 2018:** Open Enrollment starts - first day to enroll, re-enroll, or change a 2019 insurance plan through the Health Insurance Marketplace
- **December 15, 2018:** Last day to enroll in or change plans for 2019 coverage. After this date, you can enroll or change plans only if you qualify for a Special Enrollment Period.
- **January 1, 2019:** 2019 coverage starts, if your premiums are paid.

Website to apply: <https://www.healthcare.gov>

For assistance with applying in Hernando County:

**Premier Health Care** <http://www.premierhc.org>

300 Main Street

Brooksville, FL 34601 352-518-2000

Mon: 7:00AM—7:00PM

Tue.-Wed. 7:00AM—4:00PM

### Department of Children and Families Update

**DCF reports that callers will experience a longer than normal wait time to speak to an Access Call Center representative at 1-866-762-2237, due to closures and call volume related to Hurricane Michael. They appreciate your patience as they provide assistance to all Floridians.**



### 2019 Coverage Open Enrollment— October 15, 2018 to December 7, 2018

During the annual enrollment period you can make changes to various aspects of your coverage.

- Change from Original Medicare to a Medicare Advantage Plan;
- Change from one Medicare Advantage Plan to another;
- Join a Medicare Prescription Drug Plan;
- Switch from one Medicare Drug plan to another Medicare Drug plan;
- Drop you Medicare Prescription Drug coverage completely.

For more information visit: <https://www.medicare.gov/>



**Hernando Cares**

<http://hernandocares.org/>



**NAMI –National Alliance of Mental Illness:** <http://www.flnamihernando.org/>



**BayCare Behavioral Health:** <https://www.baycare.org/services/behavioral-health>

<https://www.baycare.org/services/behavioral-health>

Coast2CoastRx

### Free Discount Prescription Card



- Save up to 75% on prescriptions
- Individuals or families can use
- 60,000 participating pharmacies
- Use immediately with no paperwork to fill out
- No health restrictions – Everyone is accepted
- No fee ever charged for the card
- Save on brand and generic drugs
- Covers drugs not covered in health plans
- Covers many pet prescriptions

Save on your family's dental, vision, veterinary, hearing, diabetic equipment/supplies, lab and imaging services – all non-insurance discounted benefits – call 1-800-931-8872 or go to [www.coast2coastrx.com](http://www.coast2coastrx.com) for more information on all benefits and to print out a card, search for a provider and see frequently asked questions.

Cards can be obtained at :  
**Hernando County Health & Human Services**

621 West Jefferson  
Brooksville, FL 34601

# PHYSICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH



**PREMIER** Community HealthCare  
YOUR HEALTH. OUR MISSION.



## LUNCH & LEARN

November 8, 2018 | Noon - 1pm

Join us for a free light lunch and the opportunity to learn about Premier Community HealthCare from our leadership.

**You should attend if you:**

- Care about making sure everyone has access to healthcare
- Are interested in volunteering
- Want to learn about another community resource

**Spring Hill Family Health Center**  
*Co-located with Florida Department of Health- Hernando*

7551 Forest Oaks Boulevard  
Spring Hill, FL 34606



To RSVP or inquire more about this invitation, please contact: Susan Roberts at **352-518-2000 ext: 9000** or [seroberts@hcnetwork.org](mailto:seroberts@hcnetwork.org)



[www.PremierHC.org](http://www.PremierHC.org)



## Florida Department of Health, Hernando County

7551 Forest Oaks Blvd.  
Spring Hill, FL 34606

And 300 S. Main Street  
Brooksville, FL 34601  
352-540-6800

[http://  
hernando.floridahealth.gov/](http://hernando.floridahealth.gov/)



## Premier Health Care

352-518-2000

<http://www.premierhc.org/>

## Florida KidCare

### Florida KidCare

888-540-5437

[https://www.healthykids.org/  
apply/](https://www.healthykids.org/apply/)



Apply for assistance from any computer with an internet connection at: <https://dcf-access.dcf.state.fl.us/access/index.do>

Paper applications available at your local Customer Service Center. Go to: <http://www.dcf.state.fl.us/programs/access/map.shtml> to find a center near you.

For More Information call Toll Free: (866) 762-2237

## Crescent Community Clinic

5244 Commercial  
Way Spring Hill  
34606  
(352) 610-9916



For more information visit:

[www.crescentclinic.org](http://www.crescentclinic.org)

## NAMI FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP

Wednesdays: 3:00 - 5:00 pm &

Saturdays: 10:00am-11:30 am

10554 Spring Hill Drive Spring Hill, FL 34608

NAMI Connection is a weekly support group for family members living with or caring for an individual with a mental health condition in which people learn from each other's experiences, share coping strategies, and offer each other encouragement and understanding.

For more information about this and other services visit them at Website: [flnamihernando.org](http://flnamihernando.org) or Phone: 352-684-0004



# VETERAN SERVICES



## 2018 Paychecks for Patriots Job & Internship Fair

The Florida Department of Economic Opportunity, the Florida National Guard, and the Florida Department of Veterans Affairs will again hold their annual statewide hiring event for veterans and military families – Paychecks for Patriots. This year, Paychecks for Patriots will be during the week of Veterans Day, **Nov. 5-9, 2018.**

In an effort to address the employment needs of service members and veterans across the state, the annual Paychecks for Patriots event works to bring employers with current job openings in Florida to the table with great military and veteran candidates.

Paychecks for Patriots hiring fairs are hosted by the **CareerSource** Florida network regional boards. This year, the event will be held for an entire week to help as many veterans as possible.



Paychecks for Patriots has made a difference in the lives and careers of thousands of veteran candidates and military family members in the past five years, and we expect the sixth year to continue that tradition.

Paychecks for Patriots are scheduled to be in Hernando County **Wednesday November 7, 2018 from 9 am to noon** at the PHSC Spring Hill campus at: 450 Beverly Court, Spring Hill, FL

For more details ask your Veterans Employment Representative at (352) 200-3020. Please Pre-Register online at:

[opentoalljobfairPHSC2018.eventbrite.com](http://opentoalljobfairPHSC2018.eventbrite.com)



### FREE RIDES TO VETERANS ON NOVEMBER 13

TheBus will be offering unlimited free rides to all Veterans\* on **Tuesday, November 13, 2018** in honor of Veterans Day.

Contact Hernando County Transit at (352) 754-4444 for more information.

*\*Qualified rider must show proof of Veteran status.*

## Hernando County

### Veterans Services Information



#### VA Outpatient Clinic

Brooksville CBOC  
14540 Cortez Blvd, Suite 108  
Brooksville, FL 34613  
**Keith Growe**  
LCSW / Social Worker  
Phone: (352) 597-8287 Ext. 4121  
Fax: (813) 631-3458  
Email: [keith.growe2@va.gov](mailto:keith.growe2@va.gov)



#### Career Source Pasco Hernando Veteran Employment Services

7361 Forest Oaks Blvd.  
Spring Hill, FL 34606  
**Marty Monegro:**  
(352) 200-3022



Your Local Veteran Service Office

**Tony Graham HM2 USN, (FMF)**

Veteran Services Manager, CVSO

[tgraham@co.hernando.fl.us](mailto:tgraham@co.hernando.fl.us)

**621 West Jefferson Street**

**Brooksville, FL 34601**

**Phone (352) 754-4033**

**Fax (352) 754-4726**

**Monday - Friday**

**8 AM - 5 PM Closed 12-1 for Lunch**

**Visit our website to see all of the benefits available to Hernando County Veterans**

Services, Medical Facilities, Shuttle

Services, Form & Publications & Much More!!

For more information go to:

<http://www.hernandocounty.us/departments/departments-n-z/veteran-services>

# HIGHLIGHTED RESOURCES

## Thanksgiving Meals

**Northcliffe Baptist Church, (352) 683-5882.**

10515 Northcliffe Blvd., Spring Hill, Call **November 5th at 9:00AM**. The first 100 callers will be given a Thanksgiving basket for a complete Thanksgiving dinner. **Pickup date will be Nov. 19, 2018.**



**Holy Cross Lutheran Church, (352) 683-9016**

6193 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill. Thanksgiving dinner **November 21, 2018 from 1:00 to 4:00p.m.** Donations of food or money for the food bank are welcome.

**St. Frances Cabrini Catholic Church, (352) 683-9666**

5030 Mariner Blvd., Spring Hill. Annual Thanksgiving dinner on **November 22, 2018 at 1:00p.m.** in the Xavier Hall. The dinner is open to anyone unable to provide a meal for themselves, anyone alone on the holiday, or immediate relatives of and active-duty members of the military. To volunteer or reserve a place for dinner.

**The Homeless Ministry of Brooksville, (352) 593-0859**

Thanksgiving for the homeless. **November 22, 2018 at 4:00PM**, at Brooksville Commons: Broad Street Brooksville. For monetary donation toward the meals, visit <http://www.thmob.org/> or call Rodney Dyess.

**Destiny Baptist Church, (813) 334-0593**

Thanksgiving Turkey giveaway for the needy. Please call Pastor Harris for pickup date or to donate a turkey for the giveaway.

**Jericho Road Ministries, (352) 799-2912, ext. 112.**

1163 Howell Ave., Brooksville. Thanksgiving Turkeys Giveaway starting **November 15, 2018.**

**Hernando Mission Church, (352) 206-1653 or (352) 596-1878**

6032 Barclay Avenue Spring Hill, FL 34609. Free Thanksgiving Luncheon. **November 22, 2018, 11:00 - 12:00 or 12:30 - 1:30pm.**

**Taipei Taipei, (352) 777-4909**

322 N. Broad St. Brooksville. Free Lunch Meal Thanksgiving Day. **November 22, 2018, 12:00 - 3:30pm.**

**Donations for holiday meal are appreciated.**



**Tourist Development:** <http://floridasadventurecoast.com/>

**Hernando County Parks & Recreation:** [http://www.hernandocounty.us/Parks\\_Rec/](http://www.hernandocounty.us/Parks_Rec/)



# COMMUNITY EVENTS

## Free Activities— Come Out and Enjoy the Town

### Arts and Crafts Fair

November 17, 2018

9:00 AM - 2:30 PM EST

One of a kind arts and crafts highlighted. Food and drink available for purchase. Door prizes!

Faith Evangelical Presbyterian Church  
200 Mt. Fair Ave  
Brooksville FL 34601

Contact Information:

Donna Frederick (352) 544-2642

**Free to public!**



### Friday Night Live

Friday, November 09, 2018, 5:30PM - 10:00PM

**Where:** Downtown park band shell!  
Food Trucks and Full Bar available!  
Bring your folding chairs!

### The Veterans Appreciation Parade

The City of Brooksville cordially invites you to:  
The Veteran's Appreciation Parade  
Bring a Friend and join as we honor our veterans!

Saturday, November 10, 2018 10:00am-12:00 PM

Brooksville City Hall  
201 Howell Avenue  
Brooksville, FL 34601

Line-Up Begins at 8:30AM  
Parade starts at 10:00 AM

For more information contact: 352-544-6022

**FRIDAY NIGHT DONE RIGHT**  
**FLAG FOOTBALL**

**WHEN: NOVEMBER 2, 2018**  
**TIME: 7:00 p.m.**

**WHERE: HERNANDO COUNTY YMCA**  
1300 Mariner Blvd., Spring Hill, FL 34609

**FREE!** To All Hernando Youth  
Prizes for winners  
Prizes for 1st and 2nd place winners.  
Teams will be 5-9 players depending on participation.  
Come on a team or join a team onsite.

**HCCADC**  
Hernando County Community Anti Drug Coalition

**PRIZES**

No alcohol.  
No dope.

**friday night**  
DONE RIGHT

**FRIDAY NIGHT DONE RIGHT**  
ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT: 352-888-9622 or 352-596-8000

### Transit Services Now Offered On Four Holidays

Beginning **November 23, 2018**, Hernando County Transit will provide regular transit services and complementary ADA services on the following holidays:

**Day after Thanksgiving**  
**President's Day**  
**Good Friday**  
**Veterans Day**

Visit [www.HernandoBus.com](http://www.HernandoBus.com) or contact Hernando County Transit at (352) 754-4444 for more information.



## HOT MEALS SITES & MORE



Free Meal  
Every  
Wednesday  
5-6 PM

375 S. Broad Street  
Brooksville, FL 34601  
352-587-2425



### First United Methodist Church of Spring Hill

Receive a hot nutritious meal  
4:00 PM - 5:30 PM every Tuesday  
9344 Spring Hill Drive, Spring Hill

for all those in need for more information  
call (352) 683-2600 Ext. 1

### Northcliffe Food Ministries



**Soup Kitchen**  
Every Thursday

11 AM - Noon

Served in the Fellowship Hall

#### Northcliffe Baptist Church

10515 Northcliffe Blvd  
Spring Hill, FL 34608

352-683-5882

[www.northcliffeonline.org](http://www.northcliffeonline.org)



#### Grace's Closet

Free Clothing for the family  
1 bag every 4 weeks

#### Food Pantry

2 food bags once every 2 months

#### Grace Presbyterian Church

8375 Spring Hill Drive  
352-683-2082

**Open Tuesday 9—11 am**

#### HERNANDO MISSION

6032 Barclay Ave  
Brooksville, FL. 34604



**MONTHLY FOOD DISTRIBUTION: EVERY  
FOURTH THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FROM  
10:00 AM-12:00 NOON**  
PHONE: (352) 596-1878

[www.hernandomissionchurch.org](http://www.hernandomissionchurch.org)

Like & Follow: Facebook.com/hernandomission

#### PHP Hunger Helpline

**352-405-1115**

If you need food or other necessities, call our  
Hunger Helpline 7 days a week from 8am -  
8pm and we will come to you and/or direct  
you to the best resource.



#### Joseph's House Brooksville

823 Josephine St., Brooksville, FL 34601

352-600-8295 - <http://jhbv.org>

Free Hot Meal

Every Friday at 5 PM



#### St. Joan of Arc Catholic Church

offers "In His Footsteps"

soup & sandwich outreach program

The 1st Thursday of every month

Noon to 2:00 PM

Parish Hall of the Church

13485 Spring Hill Dr., Spring Hill

The meal is **free of charge**. For more information,  
please call **352-688-0663**

#### God's Clothes Closet

Open 9:30am—1:10pm

#### Christ Lutheran Church

475 North Ave. W  
Brooksville, FL 34601  
352-796-8331

#### Our Community



DOING  
THE MOST  
GOOD™

**Every Tuesday**

**Hot Meal:** 11:AM - 12:30PM

**Food Pantry:** 9AM - 1PM

#### The Salvation Army

15464 Cortez Blvd.  
Brooksville, FL 34613

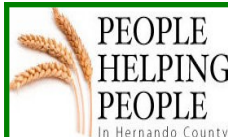
352-796-1186

**Bread & Pastries**

Mon. Thurs. .

9:00 AM – 4:00 PM

Fri. 9:00AM— 1:00PM



AN INTERFAITH COMMUNITY  
SERVING PEOPLE IN NEED

#### People Helping People In Hernando Co

**Free Sunday Dinner** Every Sunday 4 PM - 5:30 PM

**Senior Citizens Center of Hernando County**

7925 Rhanbuoy Rd Spring Hill, FL 34606

#### Free Meal

Every Tuesday at 2:00 PM – 3:00 PM  
Next to Mophead,  
1400 Kass Circle., Spring Hill, FL 34606

Every Tuesday at 4:00 PM – 5:00 PM  
In the Winn Dixie Parking Lot Brooksville  
1230 Broad Street, Brooksville, FL 34601

Ron Van Matre 352-686-4466

[www.phpinhc.org](http://www.phpinhc.org)