

# Community Impact Report

July 2019 - Sept. 2019

The Impact of your Investment.







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#### **COLLABORATION**

#### DID YOU KNOW?

Your United Way is partnering with Volusia County Schools to aid our community in the event of a manmade disaster. This is just one way that we are proactively seeking to serve our community.





UWVFC and Hunger Fight Reach out and Feed Someone teamed up with over 60 volunteers for 2019 Make A Difference Day and packed



9,408
MEALS
for Volusia and
Flagler County
families deemed
food insecure.

### **STORIES OF IMPACT**

James is 56 years old, homeless, has no income, and is plagued with a persistent mental illness. Broken and destitute, he was referred to Flagler Cares by SMA Healthcare for immediate assistance in obtaining food stamp recertification. With the help of the caring Flagler Cares staff, James' needs were taken care of, the staff organized transportation to his SNAP appointment and James received an additional \$192 in monthly benefits. Agency staff also worked with James to complete his SOAR application and connected him with the ParaMedical program to get the medical attention he needed to address his mental illness. Finally on the right track, James feels hopeful and thankful for the services that gave him a hand up.





Hurricanes. At their worst, hurricanes bring with them extreme damage and loss, at their least they cause severe anxiety and dangerous weather. For many social service organizations, the impending Hurricane Dorian in September 2019 left them unsure of the potential impact. Programs like Meals on Wheels were there to serve their clients even in the midst of this dangerous storm. Prior to the Hurricane's approach to Florida, the Council on Aging (COA) began preparing clients, staff, and volunteers by providing hot meals in the days leading up to

the storm and delivering additional frozen meals as the Hurricane was set to make landfall. When the Council on Aging received the OK to reopen their offices, 150 volunteers went immediately to work delivering 5 days of shelf stable meals to sustain them until normal food services were resumed. COA was instrumental in ensuring that clients were fed during Hurricane Dorian with minimal disruptions and all case-managed clients were checked on again after the storm passed. When a loved one is in the path of a dangerous storm, you can count on UWVFC funded programs like Meals on Wheels to go the extra mile.

## **JOIN THE FIGHT**





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