

The White Family Foundation

Grant Request: Hillsborough House of Hope #749
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Are you an IRS compliant 501(c)3 public charity/nonprofit? No

Legal name of organization Hillsborough House of Hope

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Grant Request Amount \$20,000.00

Please provide us with a brief description of your organization (no more than 500 words).

Hillsborough House of Hope:

Our mission is to provide shelter and support to women who are homeless due to criminal records, substance abuse or domestic violence, allowing them to become productive, self-sustaining members of the community, and reunite with their families.

Established in 1998, Hillsborough House of Hope was founded to provide housing and a support system for women transitioning from correctional institutions into mainstream society. Over its 24-year history the program has expanded to include women who are experiencing homelessness due to substance/alcohol addiction or domestic violence.

Women newly released from correctional institutions are faced with a daunting list of challenges: a debilitating lack of self-esteem and

extreme sense of failure; unemployment; lack of/or estrangement from family; looming relapse into old addictions: substance abuse/alcoholism; poverty. They are often at a loss as to where to find the minimal necessities for recovery and reintegration into society: a clean, safe place to stay; sober companions; stable employment.

Women who have lost their homes to addiction, or intolerable domestic situations are often faced with the same challenges: nowhere to go, no one to turn to, the seemingly impossible task of turning their lives around from ground zero. Without positive support and guidance, they are at great risk of falling into old patterns of destructive behavior and toxic relationships, continuing the cycle of relapse, destitution and/or imprisonment.

With the combined support of local partners and in collaboration with community friends, Hillsborough House of Hope addresses the immediate essential needs to support these women in transition, providing decent living accommodations, counseling, and job assistance.

Women that participate in the HHOH program are presented with the opportunity to start the healing process in a safe environment dedicated to helping them progress and achieve success. The usual stay for clients is six months to one year. Currently HHOH maintains three residences housing four women in each. The women come from diverse backgrounds and age groups; most are minorities, nearly all come from low income situations, but no demographic has been unrepresented. Although HHOH does not accept women under the age of 18, its most recent residence, which opened in October 2021, is dedicated to mothers working on reuniting with their children.

Grant Purpose (one paragraph)

We are requesting \$20,000 to help fund our Recovery and Life Coaching Program

We seek to strengthen our program with expanded mental wellness support and empowerment, as that support is essential to individuals reintegrating into society to lead a positive and productive life.

The Recovery and Life Coaching Project is an on-going (4 sessions per year) 12-week, in-house program of recovery counseling for Hillsborough House of Hope residents. The personalized program provides a weekly schedule of therapy and recovery coaching by a licensed mental health (addiction specialist) therapist. Topics addressed include: abstinence from mood altering substances (alcohol/drugs), positive coping skills, goal setting, daily accountability, nutrition, parenting, career counseling, employment, and financial planning (budgeting and saving). The goal is the development of life skills in preparation for re-entry into society on a productive and self-sufficient level.

Annual \$45,740.00

Project/Program

**Budget (if request is
for a specific project)**

Annual Organization \$109,820.00

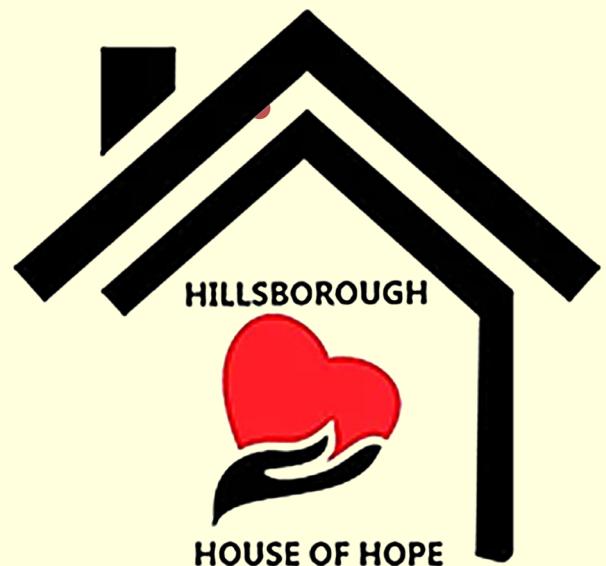
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HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE OF HOPE

Recovery and Life Coaching Project

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Who We Are

Hillsborough House of Hope (HHH) is a non-profit organization providing support and shelter to women made homeless due to criminal records, substance/alcohol abuse or domestic violence, allowing them to become productive, self-sustaining members of the community.

The organization was founded by Margaret Palmer in 1998. Margaret volunteered as a counselor for women serving time in Hillsborough County correctional facilities. For years, she was an eyewitness to the revolving door which plagues our justice system even today. As a counselor, she saw countless women make significant progress in their lives while incarcerated, complete their sentences and be released, only to return after failing to find support systems on the outside. It was Margaret's inspiration to create a safe harbor for newly released inmates: temporary housing that was clean and safe, with a supportive network of services to keep them on the road to recovery. During its 24-year history Hillsborough House of Hope's mission has expanded to include women experiencing homelessness due to substance/alcohol addiction or domestic violence.

Challenges

Women newly released from correctional institutions are faced with a daunting list of challenges: a debilitating lack of self-esteem and an extreme sense of failure; unemployment; lack of/or estrangement from family; looming relapse into old addictions; poverty. They are often at a loss to find the minimal necessities for recovery and reintegration into society: a clean, safe place to stay, sober companions, and stable employment.

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What We Do

With the combined support of local partners and collaboration with community friends, Hillsborough House of Hope addresses the immediate essential needs to support these women-in-transition, providing decent living accommodations, counseling, and job assistance.

Women who are accepted into the Hillsborough House of Hope are presented with the opportunity to start the healing process in a safe environment dedicated to helping them progress and achieve success. Each resident is interviewed for admittance. Specific needs and goals are identified and a program is tailored to the individual. This may include:

- Substance abuse counseling
- Vocational education and training
- Health and nutritional counseling
- Parenting skills
- Reunification with family/children
- Financial counseling

A resident house manager and program manager provide full-time supervision. Participants must commit to maintaining abstinence from alcohol and illegal substance use. Each woman has her own room and helps with cleaning and meal preparation. Residents provide encouragement for each other, and many continue to support and encourage new residents after they themselves have "graduated."

Currently, Hillsborough House of Hope maintains three residences, housing up to four women in each. They come from diverse backgrounds and age groups; the majority are women of color, nearly all come from low-income situations, but no demographic has been unrepresented. Although Hillsborough House of Hope does not accept women under the age of 18, its most recent residence, which opened in October 2021, is dedicated to mothers working on reuniting with their children.

The usual stay for clients is six months to one year. To track our long-term success rate, we keep in touch with our past residents via alumni meetings and special alumni events. We also regularly review State of Florida and Hillsborough County inmate lists to check for relapsed “graduates.”

Sponsors

In addition to a committed group of private donors, local contributors and agency partners include:

Abe Brown Ministries

ACTS

Associated Construction Products, Inc.

Dress for Success

Dr. Jeff Weihe

Erwin Vocational Center

Faithworks

Grace Family Church

Hillsborough County

Hyde Park United Methodist Church

Metro Charities

Mission Increase Foundation

Paul H Phaneuf: Allstate Insurance

Tampa Family Health

Volunteers for America

Vocational Rehabilitation

Allegany Franciscan Ministries

Smith & Associates Realty

David Jackson Smart Reentry

Recovery and Life Coaching Project

With the implementation of the **Recovery and Life Coaching** project, we seek to provide expanded mental wellness support and the empowerment that is essential to individuals reintegrating into the community.

The statistics are grim. 35% of women released from prison return within three years, 43% due to drug related convictions. The recidivism rate for those initially convicted on drug charges is as high as 68%. 67% of addicts and alcoholics relapse in their first year of recovery.

Our goal is to create an ongoing 12-week (four sessions per year), in-house program of healing and recovery facilitated by a professional behavioral healthcare provider. Personalized to each resident, it includes two hours of group therapy and one-and-one-half hour of individual recovery coaching with a licensed mental health professional/addiction specialist. Topics include:

- Tools for abstinence from mood-altering substances/drugs
- Healthy coping mechanisms for life changes and social stressors
- Building self-esteem
- Goal setting
- Nutrition
- Parenting
- Employment and career counseling
- Daily accountability
- Financial tools for budgeting/saving

Attending three AA/NA meetings per week is required as well as daily sponsor check-in.

The first and second week of the program include an introduction and life story assessment in which the client's needs and goals are defined. Assignments are geared towards relapse prevention, coping skills, managing depression and anxiety, time management, goal setting, conflict resolution, relationship building/communication skills. Groups are used to role-play, give and receive feed-back, and provide peer support. Individual assignments are presented in group and reviewed one-on-one for feedback and progress tracking.

Long-term indicators of success include progress in the areas of achieving 90 days clean, maintenance of sobriety, resolution of legal issues, reunification with family, maintaining stability in work and residency, improvement in relationships, sobriety/abstinence, and improvement in parenting skills.

Community Benefits

When these women are empowered to make positive choices and create a positive impact, their families and communities reap the benefits. As these women prosper, their children and families prosper. As these women find hope and reach light, they spread that hope and light to their work places, homes, and schools. Their prosperity flows into the entire community and the economy.

Request

We are requesting \$20,000 to provide funds supporting the **Recovery and Life Coaching Project**. This would nearly cover the cost for two 12-week sessions, accommodating four women at each session. We would, however, be equally as grateful to receive funding for one 12-week session (\$11,200.00).

Our vision is to make life coaching a permanent and ongoing service of Hillsborough House of Hope. We believe the project to be an immensely supportive step in our clients' journey to productive citizenship. We were recently awarded a \$5,000 grant from the Smith & Associates Real Estate Foundation towards this goal.

HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE OF HOPE RECOVERY AND LIFE COACHING PROJECT
2022 Budget Projection

January—June

	Actual 2022-1	Actual 2022-2	Budget 2022-3	Budget 2022-4	Budget 2022-5	Budget 2022-6
Revenue						
Grants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000	\$ -	\$ -
General Donations	7,075	3,057	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600
Resident Fees	4,170	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750
Event General Donations	-	-	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500
Total Revenue	11,245	6,807	15,850	25,850	15,850	15,850
Spring/Summer Event Expenses	-	-	829	829	829	829
Holiday Event Expenses	-	-	-	-	-	-
Household Repair, Maintenance & Other Fees	1,070	301	813	1,763	913	813
Household Utilities	1,620	1,599	1,465	1,465	1,465	1,465
Total Direct Costs	2,690	1,900	3,107	4,057	3,207	3,107
Gross Profit	8,555	4,907	12,743	21,793	12,643	12,743
Expenditures						
Advertising & Marketing	43	43	73	73	73	73
Annual Meeting & Board Retreat	912	1,763	35	2,711	35	35
Bank Charges & Fees	7,284	15	50	50	50	50
Depreciation Expense	2,132	1,488	1,488	1,488	1,488	1,488
Dues & subscriptions	1,500	45	-	-	-	-
Gifts	-	-	-	-	-	134
Insurance	542	517	517	517	517	517
Legal & Professional Fees	735	313	428	428	428	428
Meals & Entertainment	-	52	-	-	-	-
Office Supplies & Software	102	385	250	250	250	250
Stationery & Printing Expenses	57	-	135	135	135	135
Payroll	5,171	5,287	5,247	5,247	5,247	5,247
Postage & PO Box	-	244	-	-	-	-
Travel	-	43	20	20	20	20
Total Expenditures	18,478	10,195	8,243	10,919	8,243	8,377
Net Operating Revenue	(9,923)	(5,288)	4,500	10,874	4,400	4,366
Other Revenue						
Interest Earned	1	1	1	1	1	1
Total Other Revenue	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other Expenditures						
Interest Paid	-	741	-	-	-	-
Other Miscellaneous Expenditure	20,902	44	-	-	-	-
Total Other Expenditures	20,902	785	-	-	-	-
Net Other Revenue	(20,901)	(784)	1	1	1	1
Net Revenue	\$ (30,824)	\$ (6,072)	\$ 4,501	\$ 10,875	\$ 4,401	\$ 4,367

July—December

	Budget 2022-7	Budget 2022-8	Budget 2022-9	Budget 2022-10	Budget 2022-11	Budget 2022-12	Budget 2022
Revenue							
Grants	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 10,000
General Donations	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600	8,600	96,132
Resident Fees	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750	3,750	45,420
Event General Donations	-	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	35,000
Total Revenue	15,850	15,850	15,850	15,850	15,850	15,850	186,552
Spring/Summer Event Expenses	829	829	829	829	829	829	8,290
Holiday Event Expenses	75	-	-	-	-	-	75
Household Repair, Maintenance & Other Fees	813	913	813	813	1,023	813	10,861
Household Utilities	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,465	1,465	1,465	17,977
Total Direct Costs	3,217	3,242	3,142	3,107	3,317	3,107	37,203
Gross Profit	12,633	12,608	12,708	12,743	12,533	12,743	149,350
Expenditures							
Advertising & Marketing	73	73	73	73	73	73	816
Annual Meeting & Board Retreat	35	35	35	35	35	35	5,701
Bank Charges & Fees	50	50	50	50	50	50	7,799
Depreciation Expense	1,488	1,488	1,488	1,488	1,488	1,488	18,500
Dues & subscriptions	-	-	-	-	-	-	1,545
Gifts	-	-	-	-	-	-	900
Insurance	517	517	517	517	517	517	6,229
Legal & Professional Fees	428	428	428	428	428	428	5,328
Meals & Entertainment	-	-	-	-	80	50	182
Office Supplies & Software	250	250	250	250	250	250	2,987
Stationery & Printing Expenses	135	135	135	135	135	135	1,407
Payroll	5,247	5,247	5,247	5,247	5,247	5,247	62,928
Postage & PO Box	-	-	-	-	-	-	244
Travel	20	20	20	20	20	20	243
Total Expenditures	8,243	8,243	8,243	8,243	8,323	9,193	114,943
Net Operating Revenue	4,390	4,365	4,465	4,500	4,210	3,550	34,407
Other Revenue							
Interest Earned	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
Total Other Revenue	1	1	1	1	1	1	12
Other Expenditures							
Interest Paid	-	-	-	-	-	-	741
Other Miscellaneous Expenditure	-	-	-	-	-	-	20,946
Total Other Expenditures	-	-	-	-	-	-	21,687
Net Other Revenue	1	1	1	1	1	1	(21,675)
Net Revenue	\$ 4,391	\$ 4,366	\$ 4,466	\$ 4,501	\$ 4,211	\$ 3,551	\$ 12,732

Hillsborough House of Hope

Statement of Financial Position

As of May 16, 2022

	TOTAL
ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Bank Accounts	
BOT Building Fund- Restricted x1443	4,019.11
BOT Ckg X4100	31,339.89
BOT Money Market X9860	47,480.31
Cash on hand	0.00
Total Bank Accounts	\$82,839.31
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable (A/R)	0.00
Total Accounts Receivable	\$0.00
Other Current Assets	
Other Current Receivable	705.53
Prepaid Deposit - 1402 E. 28th Ave	0.00
Prepaid Expenditures	787.50
Prepaid Insurance	1,445.53
Undeposited Funds	0.00
Total Other Current Assets	\$2,938.56
Total Current Assets	\$85,777.87
Fixed Assets	
1402 E 8th Ave	
Accumulated Depreciation - 1402 E 8th Ave	-5,503.55
Original cost	201,768.50
Total 1402 E 8th Ave	196,264.95

Project Budget

Recovery and Life Coaching Project		
12-week program		
4 participants*		
Therapy/Counseling Sessions		\$10,160.00
3 sessions per week		
Supplies		
Drug tests	2 x per week	\$ 960.00
Text book, notebooks, etc		\$ 80.00
Total	per 12-week session	\$11,200.00 (\$2,800 per participant)

*The project is designed to serve the entire household of each property, which is four women

Narrative:

We are fortunate to have a licensed mental health therapist offering her services at a reduced rate. Her fee for 3 1/2 hours (2 hours group and 1 1/2 hours individual therapy is \$210.00 per week or \$2,520.00 per person for the 12 week program, for a total of \$20,160.00.

Other supplies include twice a week drug testing kits: \$20.00 per week for each participant: \$240.00 for the 12 weeks of the program.

The cost for drug testing kits for four participants is \$960.00 per session - \$1,920 for 2 two 12-week sessions.

Other supplies include texts, workbooks, binders and assorted office supplies estimated at \$80.00 per person: \$320.00 for four participants per session - \$640.00 for 2 sessions.

The total for the supply category for two 12-week sessions is \$2,560.00

All other costs: administrative, programing, etc. will be absorbed by our organization.

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Part II Balance Sheets (see the instructions for Part II)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part II

22 Cash, savings, and investments	(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
	91,864	22
	201,724	23
	0	24
	293,588	25
26 Total assets	1,180	26
27 Net assets or fund balances (line 27 of column (B) must agree with line 21)	292,408	27

(A) Beginning of year	(B) End of year
91,864	22
201,724	23
0	24
293,588	25
1,180	26
292,408	27

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments (see the instructions for Part III)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part III . . .

What is the organization's primary exempt purpose?

RESIDENTIAL ASSISTANCE FOR RECENTLY RELEASED FEMALE OFFENDERS.

Describe the organization's program service accomplishments for each of its three largest program services, as measured by expenses. In a clear and concise manner, describe the services provided, the number of persons benefited, and other relevant information for each program title.

28 THE MISSION OF HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE OF HOPE, INC. (HHH) IS TO INTRODUCE FORMER REPEAT FEMALE PRISON INMATES INTO THE COMMUNITY BY PRESENTING THEM THE OPPORTUNITY TO LIVE IN A FAITH BASED ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOP SKILLS THAT WOULD ENABLE THEM TO SUCCEED INDEPENDENTLY AND BECOME A PRODUCTIVE PART OF THE COMMUNITY. THIS IS ACCOMPLISHED THROUGH EMPLOYMENT ASSISTANCE, ENROLLMENT IN GOVERNMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS AND TRANSPORTATION ASSISTANCE IN ADDITION TO PROVIDING THEM A HOUSE IN WHICH TO RESIDE. DURING 2014, HHH ACCOMMODATED APPROXIMATELY 20 FORMER FEMALE PRISON INMATES.

(Grants \$ 0)

If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . .

29

(Grants \$)

If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . .

30

(Grants \$)

If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . .

31 Other program services (describe in Schedule O)

(Grants \$)

If this amount includes foreign grants, check here . . .

28a 96,3

29a

30a

32 Total program service expenses (add lines 28a through 31a)

32

96:

Part IV List of Officers, Directors, Trustees, and Key Employees (list each one even if not compensated see the instructions for Part IV)

Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part IV.

(a) Name and title	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC) (if not paid, enter -0-)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
PAUL PHANEUF PRESIDENT	10.00	0	0	0
DARRIN QUAM DIRECTOR	4.00	0	0	0
STEVE RORRER SECRETARY	6.00	0	0	0
AARON MAYS TREASURER	4.00	0	0	0
CLOVIS DUNBAR DIRECTOR	4.00	0	0	0
CLINT MILLER DIRECTOR	4.00	0	0	0

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Part V Other Information (Note the Schedule A and personal benefit contract statement requirements in the

instructions for Part V.) Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part V

Yes	No
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33	Did the organization engage in any significant activity not previously reported to the IRS? If "Yes," provide a detailed description of each activity in Schedule O	33	No
34	Were any significant changes made to the organizing or governing documents? If "Yes," attach a conformed copy of the amended documents if they reflect a change to the organization's name. Otherwise, explain the change on Schedule O. See instructions.	34	No
35a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year from business activities (such as those reported on lines 2, 6a, and 7a, among others)?	35a	No
b	If "Yes," to line 35a, has the organization filed a Form 990-T for the year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	35b	
c	Was the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization subject to section 6033(e) notice, reporting, and proxy tax requirements during the year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III	35c	No
36	Did the organization undergo a liquidation, dissolution, termination, or significant disposition of net assets during the year? If "Yes," complete applicable parts of Schedule N	36	No
37a	Enter amount of political expenditures, direct or indirect, as described in the instructions. ► 37a 0	37b	
b	Did the organization file Form 1120-POL for this year?	38a	No
38a	Did the organization borrow from, or make any loans to, any officer, director, trustee, or key employee or were any such loans made in a prior year and still outstanding at the end of the tax year covered by this return?	38b	
b	If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II and enter the total amount involved	39a	
39	Section 501(c)(7) organizations. Enter:	39b	
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on line 9	40a	Section 501(c)(3) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on the organization during the year under:
b	Gross receipts, included on line 9, for public use of club facilities	section 4911 ► 0 ; section 4912 ► 0 ; section 4955 ► 0	
b	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Did the organization engage in any section 4958 excess benefit transaction during the year, or did it engage in an excess benefit transaction in a prior year that has not been reported on any of its prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I	40b	No
c	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax imposed on organization managers or disqualified persons during the year under sections 4912, 4955, and 4958 ► 0	40e	
d	Section 501(c)(3), 501(c)(4), and 501(c)(29) organizations. Enter amount of tax on line 40c reimbursed by the organization ► 0		
e	All organizations. At any time during the tax year, was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction? If "Yes," complete Form 8886-T	40e	No
41	List the states with which a copy of this return is filed. FL		
42a	The organization's books are in care of ► AARON MAYS	Telephone no. ► (813) 810-4610	
	Located at ► 518 LAKEWOOD DR BRANDON , FL	ZIP + 4 ► 33510	
b	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in or a signature or other authority over a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	42b	No
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ►		
	See the instructions for exceptions and filing requirements for FinCEN Form 114, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts (FBAR).	42c	
c	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization maintain an office outside the U.S.?	42c	No
	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: ►		
43	Section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trusts filing Form 990-EZ in lieu of Form 1041 - Check here and enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the tax year	43 □	
44a	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44a	No
b	Did the organization operate one or more hospital facilities during the year? If "Yes," Form 990 must be completed instead of Form 990-EZ	44b	No
c	Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the year?	44c	No
d	If "Yes," to line 44c, has the organization filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O	44d	
45a	Did the organization have a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)?	45a	No
45b	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? If "Yes," Form 990 and Schedule R may need to be completed instead of Form 990-EZ (see instructions)	45b	

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46 Did the organization engage, directly or indirectly, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to

Yes	No

Has the organization engaged, or been engaged, in political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.	46	No
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Part VI Section 501(c)(3) Organizations Only

All section 501(c)(3) organizations must answer questions 47- 49b and 52, and complete the tables for lines 50 and 51. Check if the organization used Schedule O to respond to any question in this Part VI.

	Yes	No
47 Did the organization engage in lobbying activities or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II	47	No
48 Is the organization a school as described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? If "Yes," complete Schedule E	48	No
49a Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization?	49a	No
b If "Yes," was the related organization a section 527 organization?	49b	

50 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated employees (other than officers, directors, trustees and key employees) who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and title of each employee	(b) Average hours per week devoted to position	(c) Reportable compensation (Forms W-2/1099-MISC)	(d) Health benefits, contributions to employee benefit plans, and deferred compensation	(e) Estimated amount of other compensation
NONE				

f Total number of other employees paid over \$100,000 ►

51 Complete this table for the organization's five highest compensated independent contractors who each received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization. If there is none, enter "None."

(a) Name and business address of each independent contractor	(b) Type of service	(c) Compensation
NONE		

d

Total number of other independent contractors each receiving over \$100,000. ►

52 Did the organization complete Schedule A? **NOTE:** All section 501(c)(3) organizations must attach a completed Schedule A

Yes No

Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.

Sign Here	Signature of officer		
	2020-02-13 Date		
PAUL PHANEUF PRESIDENT Type or print name and title			
Paid Preparer Use Only	Print/Type preparer's name	Preparer's signature	Date
	Firm's name ►	Check <input type="checkbox"/> if self-employed	
	Firm's address ►	Firm's EIN ►	
			Phone no.

May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? See instructions ► Yes No

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Hillsborough House of Hope Staff

Executive Director: Linda Walker is a licensed addiction recovery administrator. She started as a Manager at Hillsborough House of Hope in 2003 rising to Program Manager and finally this year to Executive Director. She has been instrumental in the organization's development and growth, expanding it from one house in 2003 to three houses in 2021, helping hundreds of women and their families restore their lives. Previously, Linda served on the board of the Homeless Coalition.

Awards

Linda was awarded the Director's Leadership Award for saving women lives from the Director of the United States FBI in Tampa Local. She then traveled to Washington DC to receive the National Director of Leadership Award directly from the Director of the United States Federal Bureau of Investigation. She is a recipient of the Community Champion Award from Molina Health Care, and the Unsung Heroine Award from the National Coalition of 100 Black Women.

In February of 2022, she and Hillsborough House of Hope founder Margaret Palmer were honored as "Unsung Community Heroes" by the Tampa Police Department's Black History Committee. <https://www.tampa.gov/tpd-black-history-committee/hillsborough-house-of-hope>

Author

Linda is the author of *Boundaries ANEW*, written to assist and guide recovering addicts and alcoholics in everyday life. The book offers practical advice on making life term decisions to keep on track in recovery.

Linda runs Hillsborough House of Hope on a shoe-string budget with the aid of one part-time paid assistant, and an amazing Board that goes above and beyond in their volunteer efforts.

Therapist Life and Recovery Coaching Project: Taryn Xenia Temmer, JD, LMHC, MCAP, CCTP

Taryn Temmer is a Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Master's Level Certified Addictions Professional and a Certified Clinical Trauma Professional with eight years of clinical experience. Her specialties include substance dependency, depression, and anxiety, among other life issues. Previously, she practiced law for over 17 years with a focus on Family Law, Custody Disputes and Criminal Defense.

Taryn offers her counseling services to HHH at a considerable discount.

Taryn Xenia Temmer, LMHC

January 2, 2022

**Taryn Xenia Temmer, JD, LMHC, MCAP, CCTP
2432 Middleton Grove Drive
Brandon, Florida 33511**

To Whom It May Concern:

I am a Licensed Mental Health Counselor, Master's Level Certified Addictions Professional and a Certified Clinical Trauma Professional. I have over 8 years of clinical experience. My specialty has been working with adults and adolescents who have a wide range of concerns including substance dependence, depression, anxiety, relationship issues, parenting problems, trauma from abuse & neglect, challenges with careers, adjustments to life as well as grief and loss and other life events.

Before I became a therapist I practiced law for over 17 years and specialized in Family Law, Custody Disputes and Criminal Defense. I counseled client's on a range of issues from Adoptions to Bankruptcy.

I have a passion to help people and that is why I became a therapist. My style is warm and approachable. I will provide strength and encouragement in a safe environment that builds trust and respect between me and my clients. I believe in being supportive with an abundance of compassion. My goal is to help build self-esteem and a rapport that is conducive to helping my clients gain the courage and confidence to lead happy and healthy lives. I know everyone's journey is special and I encourage individuality.

I am here to help improve the client's attitude and outlook on life and face life's difficulties with the prospect of gaining a voice and freedom to share it! I will walk along with my client's through their process and give them a gentle nudge when needed. I will guide them in their endeavors to a better quality of life. Give me the opportunity to help them on their journey with the encouragement and support we all require.

I will use Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Dialectical Behavioral Therapy, Solution-Focused Therapy, Client-Centered Therapy and Motivational Interviewing in our sessions. I will help clients with their negative self-talk, low self-esteem, mood instability, substance use, challenging irrational beliefs, history of trauma, depression and identity development.

I believe that I will be successful with helping the clients of this project because I will provide them with the tools for a life that are necessary to pursuing happiness without using substances. I am confident that with group and individual counseling I will be able to give the clients the confidence and self-esteem that will provide them with the ability to care for themselves and their children. I am certain that they will be able to function as productive members of society.

Sincerely,



Taryn Xenia Temmer, JD, LMHC, MCAP, CCTP

Hillsborough House of Hope Board of Directors

The Board of Directors is responsible for governance of the Hillsborough House of Hope, including long term strategy, legal and policy issues, and ensuring the financial soundness of the agency. The Board supervises the Executive Director and Executive Committee.

Duties of the Board of Directors include:

1. Employment of the Executive Director
2. Approving all hiring of personnel
3. Review, approve and revise program and policies of the agency
4. Review and approve finances, including approval of expenditures in excess of \$500, review and approve budget, and authorize audits
5. Review and comment on status reports from the Executive Director and Executive Committee
6. Seek legal counsel for matters of concern
7. Maintain the continuity and identity of the agency in the community
8. Support fundraising activities
9. Encourage volunteers in the community
10. Seek additional board members as required
11. Review and revise by-laws, if/when necessary
12. Attend bi-monthly board meetings
13. Attend board planning sessions or retreats, as required

Perspective Board Members are vetted and voted on by current Board Members.

Qualifications to be considered for a position on the Board are a sincere interest in and heart for the mission of the agency; as well as skills and experience in an area that will contribute to its vitality and success.

2022 Board of Directors

"Board Member Emeritus:" Mayor Jane Castor previously served on the Hillsborough House of Hope Board of Directors providing significant support and leadership. She continues her involvement in an advisory capacity. Jane Castor is the former Tampa Chief of Police and current Mayor of Tampa, FL.

President: Debbie Wells (two years) is the CEO of Nlaj Sky, an organic skincare company based in Atlanta, GA, and a former Realtor® with Smith & Associates in Tampa, FL.

Vice President: Michele Plosker (two years) has been working to improve the lives of women for over 30 years. She is a Certified Nurse Midwife and has worked in Women's Health Care her entire career. She presently volunteers at Judeo Christian Clinic providing gynecological care to the indigent population.

Secretary: Chalette Davis (one year) is an Air Force veteran, serial-volunteer, and experienced conference and special event producer. She has over 20 years of experience in nonprofit and corporate meeting production. Chalette serves on numerous executive boards in the Tampa Bay area and is the Chief Event Officer for Chalette Michelle & Company, an event solutions collaborative.

Treasurer: Jan Brandi (newly appointed) holds an AA in Accounting and Finance and a certification in Accounting Technology Operations from St. Petersburg College. In addition, she is a certified Health Coach/Business Mentor, assisting and guiding others to live their best life possible. She is dedicated to helping her clients achieve lifelong transformation by incorporating healthy habits into everyday activities. Her skills include public speaking, marketing and business mentorship.

Dr. Clovis Dunbar (seven years) is the founder of the Refreshing Spirit, a non-denominational Christian ministry. He is a former instructor of the doctorate program in Christian leadership at Faith Christian University & Schools, Temple Hills, MD, and Superintendent of the Greater Tampa Bay District, Church of God in Christ.

Geovanni Estes (five months) is a Realtor® and Consultant with Preferred Shore Real Estate, assisting clients to build wealth through home ownership. Originally from NYC, she volunteered with the Bowery Missions Discipleship Women's program, a Residential & Community Program at the Bowery Mission designed to serve New Yorkers experiencing homelessness, hunger and other crises.

Tu Mai (9 months) is president of Jono Heritage Land Development, LLC. She has more than nine years of experience as a land use professional specializing in land-based projects, and working in the private sector with landowners, developers, home-builders, and religious institutions. Tu was reappointed by a County Commissioner in 2018 and is currently serving on the Citizens Advisory Committee tackling government initiatives, policies, and programs that affect the residents of Hillsborough County.

Lisa Knox, (newly appointed) practices Family Law, including but not limited to, child custody, child support, divorce and paternity actions, Collaborative Law, Adoptions, and Dependency—including interventions. She is a Florida Supreme Court certified Family Law Mediator. In addition, Lisa holds a Bachelor's degree in Psychology and a Master's degree in Professional Psychology. Before earning her Juris Doctor, she led a successful career in the corporate world and entrepreneurship. Lisa enjoys spending time with her family, mentoring current and future law students and volunteering in the community.

Felix Arocha (newly appointed) is a Certified Chaplain with Corporate Chaplains of America, where he provides weekly chaplain care for employees and families within his assigned client companies. His passion is to provide comfort and hope to the hurting and those struggling through life challenges. He is committed to advancing the HHH mission and making an impact on the Board of Directors. He eagerly serves in whatever capacity is needed. Felix enjoys reaching out to new people as well as spending time with family and friends.

Hillsborough House of Hope in the News!

Below are links to articles and video clips. The articles are included in pdf format

Articles

<https://www.tampa.gov/tpd-black-history-committee/hillsborough-house-of-hope>

<https://www.83degreesmedia.com/features/hillsborough-house-of-hope-helps-former-women-inmates-return-to-society-071321.aspx>

Video clips

<https://www.baynews9.com/fl/tampa/news/2019/11/25/everyday-hero--woman-uses-past-to-create-better-future-for-others>

<https://www.fox13news.com/news/tampa-boutique-gives-former-female-inmates-a-boost-of-confidence-hope-to-move-forward>



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Hillsborough House of Hope

Mrs. Margaret Palmer and Mrs. Linda Walker

Unsung Hero

Ms. Margaret Palmer was a volunteer counselor for women serving time in Hillsborough County Correctional Facilities, where she witnessed them make significant progress in their lives while incarcerated - only to face hardship and struggles after their release. Many of the women did not have a strong support system to help them successfully transition into society as an ex-offender. Unfortunately, they often failed to overcome the adversity and were propelled into this negative reformatory cycle.

Ms. Margaret, a woman of God, turned to her faith for guidance on how she could help these women live a life with purpose and assistance. God blessed her with a vision and a community of partners to provide a support system for women transitioning out of correctional institutions to receive positive reinforcement that aids in their personal, social, and professional rehabilitation. Ms. Margaret's dream was realized in 1998, when she established the Hillsborough House of Hope.

While incarcerated, Ms. Linda Walker became a protégé of Ms. Margaret and credits her for being a great inspiration in the transformation of her life. She is one of Hillsborough House of Hope's most successful stories. Serving as Program Director, Ms. Walker gives back a portion of the blessings she received under Ms. Palmer's tutelage by ensuring that every woman has the opportunity of hope, during their stay at the Hillsborough House of Hope.



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Hillsborough House of Hope makes room for women starting over

JULIE GARISTO | TUESDAY, JULY 13, 2021



Courtesy of Hillsborough House of Hope
Tampa Mayor Jane Castor honors Hillsborough House of Hope Founder Margaret Palmer and Program Director Linda Chatters-Walker.

By Julie Garisto

It's impossible to know how many downward spirals could have been prevented in the past, but today one organization is helping women released from incarceration find their way back up. Hillsborough House of Hope, a faith-based nonprofit established in 1998, provides a support system for women transitioning out of correctional institutions. The organization provides positive reinforcement that aids in their personal, social, and professional rehabilitation.

"We help women work on substance abuse, unemployment, and mental health issues," explains Linda Chatters-Walker, House of Hope's Program Director.

Located in the Seminole Heights neighborhood of Tampa, the transitional shelter encompasses two residences for single women and a newly acquired separate house for mothers and children. The first main residence, built in 1925, located on Curtis Street and Highland Avenue, offers a majestically vintage two-story haven with four bedrooms. Each client has her own room, and the residents share an upstairs kitchen with their own pantry. A large balcony overlooks the mossy oaks and bungalows of the Old Seminole Heights historic district.

How do women qualify? "The most important thing I ask is how much willingness they have to stay clean and start a new life," Chatters-Walker emphasizes. The program is funded primarily by private donors and churches. House of Hope recently received "small grants" from Raymond James and Allstate according to Chatters-Walker, who says that she and her team are seeking investors interested in donating apartments and assistance in remodeling Walkers Landing, the new home for mothers and their children. About 70 percent of funding for the nonprofit comes from private donors; about 30 percent is from public funding, explains Board President Debbie Wells.

"We are currently at the beginning of a capital campaign raising funds for Walker's Landing named after our dear Linda Walker. We were in desperate need of housing that would accommodate women returning home from incarceration who are working on reunification with their children," Wells says. "There was a strong need for us to separate this population and provide direct services to help these women with the reunification."

Guiding individual success

House of Hope also works with local businesses and civic leaders to assist the women in transition with living accommodations, individual and group therapy, and job assistance. It's a coaching template that could be helpful to anyone joining or rejoining the workplace. "We prepare clients for jobs by teaching workplace etiquette and other skills, coordinating with temp agencies on job placement," says Chatters-Walker, who adds that she also meets with temp agency representatives, employers, and clients to help resolve conflicts and provide a positive work situation.

"We have workshops to help clients work on communication skills," Chatters-Walker adds. "We teach employability and coach clients on how to make a positive first impression." Night jobs are discouraged, she explains, because the service industry comes with "people who are using" and presents temptation and opportunities to "slip back into old habits."

Hillsborough House of Hope workshops delve into workplace dynamics, helping clients know how to navigate away from potentially conflict-filled situations. "We help them understand when the cause of workplace problems stems from trouble that they may be causing themselves," Chatters-Walker says.

It all started with a woman known as the "Chat Lady." Before founding House of Hope, Margaret Palmer volunteered as a counselor for women serving time in Hillsborough County Correctional Facilities. A giraffe statue named Margaret honors her in the House of Hope's main residence. Providing spiritual guidance, Palmer noticed the women's struggles after release and how many women serve their sentences and leave the system only to return. Through prayer, the devout Christian said she found a calling when she envisioned the House of Hope.

Chatters-Walker -- one of the women the now nonagenarian counseled before founding the organization -- worked as a supervisor of graduate admissions at the University of South Florida before she hit rock bottom, struggling with alcoholism and an addiction to crack cocaine. Financial problems led to crimes that would land her in jail more than once. Divine intervention, Chatters-Walker says, connected her to Palmer.

Sowing hope for "women like you"

"When I saw 'Chat Lady' written on the inmate request form, I said, 'Who's that?' to the deputy. 'That's a little old white lady that comes in and prays with you,' ... I said, 'Oh great: Chat, Chatters! Ooh, that's it!' So, I asked to see her each time I went to jail. She came to see me, and she said, 'You know, there's hope for you -- we're going to open a house and it's going to be for women like you.'"

Former Tampa Mayor Pam Iorio and other parishioners at Palmer's church, Hyde Park United Methodist Church, helped get the Hillsborough House of Hope started. After Chatters-Walker completed the program at Dacco, Palmer invited her to take the role of House of Hope program director.

Winner of the Unsung Heroine Award from the National Coalition of 100 Black Women, Chatters-Walker has been featured on the cover of MTM Magazine. She's been at HHOH two decades.

"Almost 20 years later, I'm still working there, and I have actually been clean and sober 22 years," she effuses. "July 25th will be 23 years wow."

Chatter-Walker "is the heart, soul, love, and strength behind the Hillsborough House of Hope, says Board President Wells. "She is dynamic, empathetic, and always there for our ladies. I am always impressed by her leadership and communication. Her personal story is one of redemption and reconciliation, which makes her vital to our organization."

HHOH also raises funds through a fashion boutique at an undisclosed location in East Tampa. If you're interested in custom-fitted dresses and suits, call Linda Chatters-Walker at 813-562-5877 to reserve a fitting.

House of Hope's main residence. Providing spiritual guidance, Palmer noticed the women's struggles after release and how many women serve their sentences and leave the system only to return. Through prayer, the devout Christian said she found a calling when she envisioned the House of Hope.



Courtesy c
Hillsborough House of Hope Program Director Linda Chatters-Walker accepts a commendation from former FBI Director James Comey.

COMMUNITY SUCCESS

Laura Moody (Fox 13), Lauren Dungy and Mayor Jane Castor, along with Founder Margaret Palmer



The importance and effectiveness of this program is underscored by the long-time association and incredible support from the community as well as the Tampa Police Department and Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office. We are constantly impacted by the contribution they make to our program, and are grateful for it.



Linda Walker, Margaret Palmer and Katie McGill (Executive Director for Dress for Success)

Katie McGill was chosen as our HHHope Hero of the year and continues to supply the women with interview attire and employment skills all through the year at Dress for Success.

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Melody visits with her twin daughters for their 14th birthday!

Hillsborough House of Hope restored my dreams, hope, and my life.

Thanks to their program, I was able to find recovery and stability. They helped me rebuild my life which was once falling apart. Thanks to the Hillsborough House of Hope, now I can help others who are facing those same problems as I once did.
— Melody

We need more places like Hillsborough House of Hope to give our neighbors the best possible chances to turn their lives around. Often we send someone out of jail and right back into the environment that set them up for failure. Hillsborough House of Hope makes our communities safer and stronger.

— State Attorney Andrew Warren



Helping formerly incarcerated women become the person God created them to be.

"The Hillsborough County Sheriff Department is honored to be a part of the Hillsborough House of Hope's successful program assisting women in our community. Sergeant Stokes from HCSO has been selected to serve as a Hillsborough House of Hope Board member."

— Colonel Bunton, Commander, Department of Detention Services, Hillsborough County Sheriff's Office



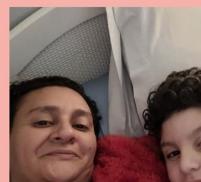
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FEBRUARY 2022

HAPPY
VALENTINE'S
DAY!

Reunited At last



Nicole (from our newest home for mothers) is reunifying with her children. She brought her son over for a visit last week! Nicole and her son are preparing to move out of state and into their own place within the next month. We are very excited for them.



Sofie brought her sons over a couple weeks ago for a visit and an adventure at the skating rink! Her adorable boys were the first children to come the house and their visit was a success. They had lots of fun together, as you can see. We are so excited to see their relationship grow and strengthen here at Hillsborough House of Hope.



APRIL 2022

Resident Updates

Last month, one of our residents, Diana was hired by Maus Nissan! Maus Nissan has been interested in getting involved with our organization the past couple months. They thought it would be a wonderful idea to discuss potential work opportunities with our residents. Diana nailed her interview and landed the job. The rewards have been mutually beneficial. Diana has been blessed with work and their store is blessed with one of the more diligent workers around.



Margaret Palmer House resident Diana, smiling brightly during the first day of her new job at Maus Nissan!

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CITY OF TAMPA
— OFFICE OF THE MAYOR —

Jane Castor, Mayor

May 26, 2022

Dear Smith Family Foundation,

Since 1998, The Hillsborough House of Hope (HHH) has been committed to providing a support system for women transitioning out of correctional institutions and seeking positive reinforcement to aid their personal, social, and professional rehabilitation, and it is a great component within the city of Tampa that offers lots of needed services for the less fortunate, especially women who have experienced reciprocal despair situations.

I previously served on the Executive Board for the HHH while I was Tampa's Police Chief, and witnessing mothers reunite with their kids and showing them a new foundation so they can continue to become productive citizens was inspiring. Most of these women could not make it without the love and support HHH provides.

The Hillsborough House of Hope now offers a new component of recovery support that will help make these women even more productive after learning recovery skills and tools, and this initiative is very deserving of support to continue HHH's mission and success.

Thank you in considering Hillsborough House of Hope in this opportunity.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jane Castor".

Jane Castor



May 25, 2022

To Whom it May Concern,

My name is Vicki Walker and I am the Minister of Missions and Outreach at Hyde Park United Methodist Church in Tampa. I am writing to support the grant application of the Hillsborough House of Hope.

Hillsborough House of Hope is a ministry that is near and dear to my heart. I have been associated with it since God first placed the dream in the heart of its founder, Margaret Palmer. I worked for Tampa United Methodist Centers, now Cornerstone Family Ministries, at the time, and we gave office space to Margaret to begin her work. From those early days I watched her diligently and faithfully work to create a safe space for women coming out of jail to rebuild their lives.

Also early on I met the first and only Executive Director, Linda Walker, and saw the transformation that had occurred in her life and her passion to share that with others. I remember the early days of networking, fundraising, and coalition building to not only create one Hillsborough House of Hope, but as of this writing I've watched God expand the dream and mission to three houses! I've seen their faithfulness in helping women recover and reunite with their families, and break the cycle of addiction and trauma.

As the program grows and serves more families, it is critical to expand the supportive services offered onsite to help the women on their recovery journeys have the tools to move forward successfully. A grant from the White Family Foundation would help provide a Licensed Clinical Social Worker to support both women and children alike as they heal.

I thank you for giving this application your careful consideration. If I can answer any questions or provide any additional information, please don't hesitate to ask.

Grace and peace,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Vicki Walker".

The Rev. Vicki Walker
 Hyde Park United Methodist
 vwalker@hydeparkumc.org
 813.252.5388 ext. 1223

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November 9, 2021

Refer To: CH14650

HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE OF HOPE, INC.
PO BOX 320064
TAMPA, FL 33679-2064

RE: HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE OF HOPE, INC.
REGISTRATION#: CH14650
EXPIRATION DATE: October 22, 2022

Dear Sir or Madam:

The above-named organization/sponsor has complied with the registration requirements of Chapter 496, Florida Statutes, the Solicitation of Contributions Act. A COPY OF THIS LETTER SHOULD BE RETAINED FOR YOUR RECORDS.

Every charitable organization or sponsor which is required to register under s. 496.405 must conspicuously display the registration number issued by the Department and in capital letters the following statement on every printed solicitation, written confirmation, receipt, or reminder of a contribution:

"A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REGISTRATION AND FINANCIAL INFORMATION MAY BE OBTAINED FROM THE DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES BY CALLING TOLL-FREE (800-435-7352) WITHIN THE STATE. REGISTRATION DOES NOT IMPLY ENDORSEMENT, APPROVAL, OR RECOMMENDATION BY THE STATE."

The Solicitation of Contributions Act requires an annual renewal statement to be filed on or before the date of expiration of the previous registration. The Department will send a renewal package approximately 30 days prior to the date of expiration as shown above.

Thank you for your cooperation. If we may be of further assistance, please contact the Solicitation of Contributions section.

Sincerely,

Holly Chaires
Regulatory Consultant
850-410-3671
Fax: 850-410-3804
E-mail: holly.chaires@fdacs.gov

INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE
P. O. BOX 2508
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DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: DEC 18 2000

HILLSBOROUGH HOUSE OF HOPE INC
C/O MARGARET PALMER
3822 CORONA ST
TAMPA, FL 33629

Employer Identification Number:

59-3548286

DLN:

17053224033010

Contact Person:

GARY RICE

ID# 52484

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-5500

Accounting Period Ending:

DECEMBER 31

Form 990 Required:

YES

Addendum Applies:

YES

Dear Applicant:

Based on information supplied, and assuming your operations will be as stated in your application for recognition of exemption, we have determined you are exempt from federal income tax under section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code as an organization described in section 501(c)(3).

We have further determined that you are not a private foundation within the meaning of section 509(a) of the Code, because you are an organization described in sections 509(a)(1) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi).

If your sources of support, or your purposes, character, or method of operation change, please let us know so we can consider the effect of the change on your exempt status and foundation status. In the case of an amendment to your organizational document or bylaws, please send us a copy of the amended document or bylaws. Also, you should inform us of all changes in your name or address.

As of January 1, 1984, you are liable for taxes under the Federal Insurance Contributions Act (social security taxes) on remuneration of \$100 or more you pay to each of your employees during a calendar year. You are not liable for the tax imposed under the Federal Unemployment Tax Act (FUTA).

Since you are not a private foundation, you are not subject to the excise taxes under Chapter 42 of the Code. However, if you are involved in an excess benefit transaction, that transaction might be subject to the excise taxes of section 4958. Additionally, you are not automatically exempt from other federal excise taxes. If you have any questions about excise, employment, or other federal taxes, please contact your key district office.

Grantors and contributors may rely on this determination unless the Internal Revenue Service publishes notice to the contrary. However, if you lose your section 509(a)(1) status, a grantor or contributor may not rely on this determination if he or she was in part responsible for, or was aware of, the act or failure to act, or the substantial or material change on the

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Hillsborough House of Hope, Inc.
P.O. Box 320064
Tampa, FL 33679-2064
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Attachment to Form DR-504

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part of the organization that resulted in your loss of such status, or if he or she acquired knowledge that the Internal Revenue Service had given notice that you would no longer be classified as a section 509(a)(1) organization.

Donors may deduct contributions to you as provided in section 170 of the Code. Bequests, legacies, devises, transfers, or gifts to you or for your use are deductible for federal estate and gift tax purposes if they meet the applicable provisions of Code sections 2055, 2106, and 2522.

Contribution deductions are allowable to donors only to the extent that their contributions are gifts, with no consideration received. Ticket purchases and similar payments in conjunction with fundraising events may not necessarily qualify as deductible contributions, depending on the circumstances. See Revenue Ruling 67-246, published in Cumulative Bulletin 1967-2, on page 104, which sets forth guidelines regarding the deductibility, as charitable contributions, of payments made by taxpayers for admission to or other participation in fundraising activities for charity.

In the heading of this letter we have indicated whether you must file Form 990, Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax. If Yes is indicated, you are required to file Form 990 only if your gross receipts each year are normally more than \$25,000. However, if you receive a Form 990 package in the mail, please file the return even if you do not exceed the gross receipts test. If you are not required to file, simply attach the label provided, check the box in the heading to indicate that your annual gross receipts are normally \$25,000 or less, and sign the return.

If a return is required, it must be filed by the 15th day of the fifth month after the end of your annual accounting period. A penalty of \$20 a day is charged when a return is filed late, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. However, the maximum penalty charged cannot exceed \$10,000 or 5 percent of your gross receipts for the year, whichever is less. For organizations with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 in any year, the penalty is \$100 per day per return, unless there is reasonable cause for the delay. The maximum penalty for an organization with gross receipts exceeding \$1,000,000 shall not exceed \$50,000. This penalty may also be charged if a return is not complete, so be sure your return is complete before you file it.

You are required to make your annual information return, Form 990 or Form 990-EZ, available for public inspection for three years after the later of the due date of the return or the date the return is filed. You are also required to make available for public inspection your exemption application, any supporting documents, and your exemption letter. Copies of these documents are also required to be provided to any individual upon written or in person request without charge other than reasonable fees for copying and postage. You may fulfill this requirement by placing these documents on the Internet. Penalties may be imposed for failure to comply with these requirements. Additional information is available in Publication 557, Tax-Exempt Status for Your Organization, or you may call our toll free number shown above.

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You are not required to file federal income tax returns unless you are subject to the tax on unrelated business income under section 511 of the Code. If you are subject to this tax, you must file an income tax return on Form 990-T, Exempt Organization Business Income Tax Return. In this letter we are not determining whether any of your present or proposed activities are unrelated trade or business as defined in section 513 of the Code.

(You need an employer identification number even if you have no employees.)
If an employer identification number was not entered on your application, a number will be assigned to you and you will be advised of it. Please use that number on all returns you file and in all correspondence with the Internal Revenue Service.

As part of a continuing program, we periodically examine the operations of tax-exempt organizations. The purpose of this program is to determine whether the organizations are operating within the scope of the laws under which they are granted exemption. (Therefore, you should keep information that would show that you are operating for section 501(c)(3) purposes.) The information should include the training given to the child care providers, number of inspections, reports submitted to the state, and other pertinent information about your activities. You should also keep records of your income and your disbursements of funds.

This determination is based on evidence that your funds are dedicated to the purposes listed in section 501(c)(3) of the Code. To assure your continued exemption, (you should keep records to show that funds are expended only for those purposes.) If you distribute funds to other organizations, your records should show whether they are exempt under section 501(c)(3). In cases where the recipient organization is not exempt under section 501(c)(3), there should be evidence that the funds will remain dedicated to the required purposes and that they will be used for those purposes by the recipient.

If distributions are made to individuals, case histories regarding the recipients should be kept showing names, addresses, purposes of awards, manner of selection, relationship (if any) to members, officers, trustees or donors of funds to you, so that any and all distributions made to individuals can be substantiated upon request by the Internal Revenue Service. (Revenue Ruling 56-304, C.B. 1956-2, page 306.)

If we have indicated in the heading of this letter that an addendum applies, the enclosed addendum is an integral part of this letter.

Because this letter could help resolve any questions about your (exempt status and foundation status,) you should keep it in your permanent records.

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If you have any questions, please contact the person whose name and telephone number are shown in the heading of this letter.

Sincerely yours,

Steven T. Miller

Steven T. Miller
Director, Exempt Organizations

Enclosure(s) :
Addendum

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