



Meals on Wheels PLUS

OF MANATEE

Mission Statement:

To Assist Individuals to Live Independently by Providing Nutrition and Caring Supportive Services.

Manatee County

- Population: 385,571. (U.S. Census Bureau, 2017)

Home-Delivered Meals:

- 300 volunteers donated 30,000 hours, saving \$723,000 in staff wages.
- 201,000 hot meals, frozen weekend and holiday meals, and dinners delivered annually to 1,300 (approximately 750 per day.)
- 20,000 pounds of fresh produce delivered to clients monthly since August 2018.
- 450 pounds of pet food delivered.
- Almost 20% (1 in 5) home-delivered meal clients are veterans.
- 23 Friendship Dining clients at 2 Friendship Dining Centers.
- 26.8% of the population in Manatee County is over 65-years or older. (U.S. Census Bureau, 2017)
- 23,426 single-person homes with resident 60 years and older. (1 in 14 persons in Manatee County are isolated seniors.)
<https://suburbanstats.org/population/florida/how-many-people-live-in-manatee-county/> (2018)

Food Bank of Manatee:

- Over 40,000 food insecure people served every month. (USDA report- Oct 2018)
- More than 110,000 meals distributed through the Weekend Back Pack program for students.
- 622 volunteers donated 5,944 volunteer hours \$134,960.
- 4.1 million pounds of food distributed to more than 100 partner agencies and pantries.
- 1 in 5 children in Manatee County are hungry.
https://www.feedingamerica.org/sites/default/files/research/map-the-meal-gap/2016/child/FL_AllCounties_CDs_CFI_2016.pdf
- 72% (14,230) of students in Manatee County are eligible for assisted breakfast and lunch.
http://www.feedingamerica.org/research/map-the-meal-gap/2016/overall/FL_AllCounties_CDs_MMG_2016.pdf 2018
- 62,648 (44%) households live at or below ALICE threshold. 2018 based off 2016
- 39,000 live below poverty line (double from 2015) (U.S. Census Bureau/Herald-Tribune, 2017)
- More than 9% of Manatee households (13,117) rely on SNAP, formerly known as the food stamp program. (U.S. Census Bureau/Herald-Tribune, 2017)
- 2,556 Emergency Nutrition Resources (ENRs) that helped feed 884 people, 460 of whom were babies.

Daybreak Adult Day Center

- The only licensed adult day center in Manatee County.
- 130 unduplicated clients with a 1:6 client to caregiver ratio.
- 12 volunteers working with a qualified and trained staff who provide compassionate care, promoting each client's level of independence and sense of purpose.
- Supervised activities, social interaction, exercise, physical programs and outdoor activities.
- Providing hot, nutritious meals, support, and education for caregivers.

Enrichment Center on 9th

- 190 active members including social, recreational, and educational programs for 50+.
- Monthly and annual memberships available and includes benefits at Senior Advantage Program from Manatee Memorial Hospital.
- Classes include health and wellness, balance, dance, exercise, foreign language, computer instruction, tai chi and many more.
- Silver Sneakers certified location offering Silver Sneakers classes.