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BOCA HELPING HANDS - EMPTY SHELVES, EMPTY BELLIES

Due to your past generosity, we were recently contacted by BOCA Helping Hands (our local Food Bank Charity) – this group is asking for our help and our generosity once again as already this summer they are experiencing days each month in which their food shelves are empty or near empty and are unable to match the food needs of the less fortunate in our community. The Premier Eye Care Community Service Community has agreed to launch a special Food Drive on behalf of Boca Helping Hands during the month of June. Please consider contributing to this worthy cause for those less fortunate. The Community Service Committee offers our collective thanks in advance.

Donation bins will be set up in the lobby of each building entrance. Thank you!



LUIS' HORSES

Luis Prieto, from the HEDIS department has been working for Florida Trac Horse Rescue for the last 4 years. Florida Trac, which is based in Stuart is a retirement and placement program dedicated specifically to horses that competed their racing careers or have been rescued from abusive situations. Once at Florida Trac, volunteers and staff rehabilitate the horses (all 250 of them!) and then put them up for adoption to be placed in good and caring homes.

The following is a list of potential tasks that volunteers may be asked to do: Feeding and watering, restocking feed (hay and grain), mucking and raking, cleaning the truck and trailer, cleaning feed buckets and pans, daily cleaning, cleaning and oiling tack, fence maintenance, unloading the mucking trailer, grooming animals, raking the goat/sheep area, facility maintenance, cleaning up the hay shed, exercising (walking) animals, and socializing with the animals.

If interested, Please see Luis Prieto at Ext. 235 for more information.



Elizabeth Colon (Member & Provider Services) and Michael Aguirre (Reporting)

RED NOSE DAY

In 1985, as a response to famine in Ethiopia and other poverty stricken areas of the world, British comedy script writer, Richard Curtis and British comedian, Lenny Henry co-founded and co-created the British Charity, Comic Relief. [3] On February 8th, in 1988, Lenny Henry went to Ethiopia and celebrated the very first Red Nose Day Telethon. Over 150 celebrities and comedians participated. The event raised 15 million British Pounds Sterling and attracted 30 million television viewers on The BBC Network. The highlight of Comic Relief is Red Nose Day which raises funds for children in need, poverty alleviation and worldwide charities.

Red Nose Day is in March in the UK and May in the US. Even though Premier Eye Care was too late in organizing for the event this year, but we will definitely be ready for next year. Our own Elizabeth Colon, who recently came on board the Community Service Committee, will be rallying the troops for this event.

ABOUT PREMIER EYE CARE

Premier's People, Planet, Profit triple bottom line means we are dedicated to helping the community. Contributions to 501(3)(c) charities since 2012 have topped \$600,000 and include diverse groups like the American Heart Assoc., the Drug Abuse Treatment Assoc., the Girl Scouts, Kenya Rescue, Tampa Crisis Center, Prevent Blindness, and more. Stay tuned for company-wide opportunities.



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