



**METROPOLITAN  
MINISTRIES**

# MIRACLEPLACE PASCO

## FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

### A SAVING GRACE FOR STRUGGLING FAMILIES

The Family Support Center (outreach and prevention) has been caring for and serving at-risk and struggling families in West Pasco for over a decade, in a well-loved but makeshift space. Aiding our clients, services range from emergency food, clothing, utilities and rental assistance, referrals to government programs, veterans' services, and more importantly— a caring and supportive voice in case management to help families navigate from need to stability.

**“45% of households (92,307) in Pasco County are living paycheck to paycheck and unable to afford basic needs.”**

United Way ALICE Report 2020 (most recent data)



#### SERVICES PROVIDED IN 2022

- > 6,188 families helped with services.
- > 573 families helped with rent and utilities assistance.
- > 7,614 families received holiday assistance.

### PROVIDING BASIC NEEDS AND CASE MANAGEMENT

The new 10,000 square foot Family Support Center will offer a food pantry and clothing in a dignified and welcoming environment. Case management will take place behind closed doors, promoting our client's dignity. The Metro BrigAide Mobile Outreach team will serve out of the center and meet our homeless singles where they are, with services to alleviate immediate suffering and offer hope.

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# DEANDRA'S STORY

FAMILY SUPPORT CENTER

**“We are deeply grateful for the genuine care, guidance, and support we received.”**

Like so many, Deandra, a single mom of three children, was struggling to pay her bills. She came to Metro Ministries often for food, hygiene items, clothes, and backpacks and school supplies for her children each school year. In order to provide holidays for her children, she also signed up to receive assistance for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Because of the assistance she was receiving through the services of our Family Support Center, Deandra was able to save money, maintain stable housing, and keep her utilities on—ultimately preventing her homelessness.

This past year, she has been more self-sufficient than ever, and now with the support of a partner and two incomes, her family's needs are less, and they can even give back when resources allow.

