METRO MINISTRIES

A Brighter Future for Tampa Bay Families

Florida businesses have a unique opportunity to earn dollar-for-dollar tax credits while actively supporting the well-being of children and families across the state. Through the Strong Families Tax Credit Program, companies that contribute to qualified nonprofits can help prevent child abuse and empower families in need.

Last year, Metropolitan Ministries directly housed and cared for hundreds of children and adults experiencing homelessness through education and self-sufficiency programs, served thousands of struggling families in support centers, and delivered millions of nutritious meals to those facing hunger throughout Tampa Bay.

Understanding the Florida Strong Families Tax Credit

Launched in 2021, the Strong Families Tax Credit is designed to bolster nonprofit organizations dedicated to child welfare and family services. Metropolitan Ministries is proud to be among a select group of approved charities in Florida. When businesses make eligible financial contributions to Metropolitan Ministries or other designated organizations, they can receive a dollar-for-dollar credit against several Florida taxes, including:

- **Corporate income tax**
- **Gas and oil production severance tax**
- **Insurance premium tax**
- **Use tax due under a direct pay permit**
- **Certain excise taxes**

Plan Ahead for Success

Because the Strong Families Tax Credit allocation is highly competitive, it's important to be prepared. The $53.1 million allocation opens on January 4, 2027 at 9 a.m., and is usually claimed very quickly. Metropolitan Ministries' team will be ready to guide and support your application process that morning.

Next Steps

We recommend that you or your company's CFO review complete details on the Florida Department of Revenue's website. If you haven't already, you'll need to create an account with the Department's Multi-Use Tax Credit portal by visiting floridarevenue.com and searching for "Strong Families." After your account is set up, log in and submit your company's application for approval. The process is very simple, please refer to our step by step instructions.

It's Not Too Good To Be True!

Your company can participate if your business is subject to any of the taxes listed in this document. You can choose to direct your company's charitable giving to Metropolitan Ministries, supporting vulnerable children and families locally-it's that easy.

For 2027, a total of $53.1 million in tax credits will be available to participating corporations. Please keep in mind that these funds are distributed on a first-come, first-served basis, and are typically reserved within minutes or hours of release.



For more details, visit MetroMin.org/StrongFamilies