



Demshar's Foundation News

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The Demshar Foundation is off to a great start in 2021 and has already completed four fundraising events, netting approximately \$12,000! The year began with a successful pancake breakfast that raised nearly \$5,000. The next event was an evening with renowned singer *Fernando Varela* who gave a moving concert, bringing in many of his faithful followers. Another well-known entertainer, *Norman Lee*, had a sell-out crowd for dinner and music which was specifically targeted for the *Love Outreach Program* at *The Garden of Worship Center*. And for the sports minded, the *Demshar Foundation Golf Tournament* had a great day at *Stonecrest Golf Club* with fabulous weather and a fun awards dinner.

We are grateful for the friends who have joined our mission by supporting specific events or by becoming general sponsors. Your trust has enabled us to honor our commitment to help those in need. To date in 2021 we have added \$9,300 from donors – which is in addition to the money made at the fundraising events. Thank you for your generosity!

The biggest news is how your support has enabled us to contribute to our community. So far this year, it has been our reward and pleasure to distribute funds to the following:

- **\$1,000** to benefit the food bank at *St. Vincent de Paul Society*
- **\$2,000** to support the general needs of *House of Hope* in Wildwood
- **\$2,000** to fund the Mommy & Me program at *Hands of Mercy Everywhere* in Belleview
- **\$2,000** from the *Demshar Emergency Fund* to two individuals (\$1,000 each) with immediate needs.
- **\$4,000** to support *The Villages Hospital Auxiliary Foundation Scholarship Program* which helps qualifying high school seniors pursue higher education in the medical field.

Stay tuned for fall happenings including a gala with an auction and possibly another golf tournament.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED! Do you have donations, suggestions, or know people with connections to help secure some top-notch items for our auction in the fall? Some ideas would be resort packages, fine dining, gift baskets, spa treatments, new sports equipment, or tickets to

concerts/theatre/sporting events. If so, please send an email to info@demsharfoundation.com. With your help, this should be a great success and we can continue to share with those in need.

If you have not already joined the foundation, please consider doing so. Your support is greatly appreciated. Thank you all!

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