

Supporting a Lasting Legacy



Steve Westphal

Owner, The Island Grille & Raw Bar

“It’s not a handout, it’s a hand-up. That’s what the program is about.”

This personal testimony from Mr. Steve Westphal, owner, The Island Grill & Bar, captures the inspiration for his financial support of our Capital Campaign.

Mr. Westphal has a passion for feeding people, and he saw an opportunity in Feeding Tampa Bay to create a legacy that will impact generations to come.

He has a vision to not only support the daily food distribution operations of our new facility, but also the culinary education opportunities for our clients onsite.

We hope his words strengthen your resolve in support of our mission.

Our Story Comes to Life

We’ve seen much momentum since our last newsletter and I am excited to share two key updates.

A few critical timeline milestones are now clearer to us, most notably our projected completion date. While there are a few circumstances that could change our target, we feel comfortable sharing that we expect to inhabit our new facility by the end of 2023. It’s good to have a date out ahead of us - as it sharpens our focus and allows us to build out our plans around it. It also reminds us we are getting ever closer.

Another critical moment came when the Hillsborough Board of County Commissioners voted to allocate Feeding Tampa Bay \$5 million towards the new facility. These funds will come from the American Rescue Plan pool that were designated to specifically consider infrastructure projects that will improve community resources in the wake of the pandemic. Earlier in the winter we received a commitment from the City of Tampa for \$1 million as well. Why funding from our civic partners? Given the support our organization supplies to citizens of counties and cities across Tampa Bay, it’s a natural partnership between us. A project like ours will be largely funded by the good will of our community, but we all know that the most successful endeavors are when everyone pulls together.





Property Tours are Back!

We've brought back our Capital Lot Parties!

Beginning in March we once again opened the site of our future home to important visitors like you.

Please consider joining us for a personal one-on-one tour, or something a bit larger for you and your team, as we imagine all the opportunities a new, improved facility will bring to our community.

For more information, please contact:

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Our Goal has Increased

You'll see our target for fundraising has increased since we first began the project.

The reason: simple, and one you're all aware of; the rising costs of goods and services has increased our project cost.

Our Funding Continues to Grow

GOAL
\$44,000,000

\$29,518,751
dollars committed to ending hunger as of March 14, 2022

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