

## Harlem Heights Programs

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We work to create a network of programs and opportunities that help families meet their life goals. Explore what we do, and ways you can plug in by selecting one of the following:

### **Goodwill Job-Link**

Our Goodwill Job-Link center helps people with employment, skills training, and family strengthening. Our trained employment consultants can assist with resume preparation, interviewing skills, and access to online employment opportunities. The Job-Link center also provides computer access so that our clients can look for a job and submit online resumes and job applications. Many of our computers are equipped with adaptive technology to assist people with disabilities. Finally, the Job-Link center provides referrals to family strengthening services in the community. We partner with numerous agencies across Southwest Florida with the common goal of helping people become more independent.

### **Early Learning**

*A smart start to a lifetime of learning.* Through partnerships including Playgroup with Early Steps, Reading Buddies with Brightest Horizons, and Parent-Child Literacy programs with Literacy Council Gulf Coast.

### **School Success**

*The whole kid, the whole year.* We provide access for 120 kids to attend camp every year and provide a DCF-licensed afterschool program for up to 40 children every school day. With community support we connect nearly 400 kids with needed school supplies, as well providing access to college workshops, tuition support, and tutoring opportunities.

### **Family Advocacy**

*Helping families avert crisis.* Through resource and referral and direct services we are able to connect families in need with emergency food and shelter assistance, access to health care programs, and support for healing in areas of brokenness. Supportive program connections with Senior Friendship Centers, Harry Chapin Food Bank, CCMI and more provide a network of support to families in need.

### **Pathways to Prosperity**

*Empowering individuals to develop economic self-sufficiency.* Through English as a Second Language programs, Financial Peace classes, technical and career skills support, and Goodwill Industries JobLink partnership, we help create pathways to financial freedom.

### **Health and Wellness**

*Lifelong wellness for all.* Through health advocacy, education and support programs, and direct access to medical care. In partnership with Lee County Volunteers in Medicine, we are working to open a free medical clinic to provide care to those in need. We work to provide education and advocacy to families, reducing the impact of chronic disease and building strong, healthy individuals.

### **Arts and Enrichment**

*Creating, communicating and exploring* through the arts at all ages, and growing socially, emotionally, and physically strong kids. These programs provide connections to explore the cultural and expressive arts, and build community through the cultural arts. Through enriching classes and programs, children and adults will enjoy the benefits of access to the arts, including working as a team, expressing ideas in a positive way and seeing projects to completion.

Community Development

**Supporting the continued strengthening of the Harlem Heights community.** with community support we provide Thanksgiving turkeys and all the fixin's for over a thousand members of the community and Christmas presents for children in need; through community gatherings and violence prevention programs in partnership with the Harlem Heights Improvement Association, law enforcement agencies, and government advocacy organizations we seek to help build a safe, stable community. One of our ongoing events is called, 4ourth Friday's which takes place on the 4ourth Friday of every month from March to October. Hundreds from the community are coming every month to enjoy food and games! They start at 5pm & end around 7:30 p.m