



# SHELTERS OF HOPE

***Pinellas Hope, Tampa Hope & Pasco County Shelters of Hope of Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Saint Petersburg*** is one of six diocesan ministries that embrace God’s call to serve, and actively carry out His mission and ministry with love, gratitude and concern for others. These ministries encourage all to act, expressing God’s saving love within us. Through the *Catholic Ministry Appeal*, this group of ministries will receive 33%, of the total \$9.5 million appeal goal to carry out their good works.



Tampa Hope, operated by Catholic Charities, is a shelter that opened in December 2021. It currently serves up to 234 homeless adults, with plans to expand to 335. Its goal is to assist men and women in achieving permanent housing and self-sufficiency.

“The moment we were brought to Tampa Hope, we were welcomed,” said Maria, a Tampa Hope resident. “We were not judged; we were accepted immediately.”

On June 24, 2024, Tampa Hope

held a groundbreaking ceremony for a new community center.

“The community center will be the focal point of the shelter, featuring a full kitchen and dining area, restrooms, a laundry room, showers, a salon, and more,” said Maggie Rogers, Catholic Charities Executive Director.

“Homelessness is not easy, but when you have staff that welcome you with open arms, give you hope, cheer you on, and share resources and

information—and don’t just do it for you, but teach you how to become self-sufficient—there is hope,” said Maria, a Tampa Hope resident.

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**234+**  
*unhoused men and women with the goal of achieving permanent housing and self-sufficiency*

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