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- Kristi Messer, Founder of On My Own

Dear Friends,

It's our favorite season at MCS — the season of thanks!!

We are so thankful for the difference that MCS members are making in our community every day — helping children grow and learn, providing essential services for people in need, sheltering animals, and so much more. You are doing the hard work of changing lives and ensuring that our community is better for all, and we so appreciate being able to support your efforts.

Every year we show our gratitude by issuing a \$25 voucher to all current members on Giving Tuesday, good to use in either of our warehouses through the end of the year. Your account will be credited on Tuesday, December 3rd (if your membership has lapsed, now is a great time to renewso you don't miss out!).

Thank you for being an MCS Member and community partner. *How can we help YOU help others?*

Yours in service, Buddy Walck, MCS Executive Director

Click Here to Join or Renew Today

Impact in Action: Hurricane Relief for Florida Communities





Hurricane supplies delivered to the Big Bend Region helped hundreds of families.

Our West Palm Beach Warehouse staged disaster recovery essentials.

In the past 45 days, two devastating hurricanes hit Florida's east coast. Hurricanes Helene and Milton made landfall just weeks apart, battering communities with historic level of wind and flooding. While South Florida was spared much of the damage, we received calls for help from those in the Big Bend region — and we responded!

Following Hurricane Helene, we delivered disaster relief supplies to our friends at The Bridge Church in Madison, Florida — a Big Bend community in which 99% of residents lost power. To support this rural area in recovering from the storm, we partnered with Good360 to donate and deliver 12 pallets of flashlights, diapers, hygiene supplies, and kits of fun and comfort items for children.

We are so proud to work with Good360 to help Florida communities recover from disasters. Their partnership has allowed us to pre-position the most needed supplies and respond to specific community requests. Jim Alvey, VP of Disaster Recovery summed up our efforts best:

"By combining resources, expertise, and networks, we can maximize our impact and bring critical aid to the communities recovering from Hurricanes Helene and Milton."

Hurricane season isn't over until November 30th — and it's not too early to start planning for next year. We urge you to reach out to us about your disaster plans so that we can leverage our resources and plan to recover together.

MCS Members - Don't Miss Your \$100 Voucher!

Current MCS Members can receive an extra \$100 voucher this season by referring nonprofits to join MCS by November 29th. The process is simple: tell your nonprofit friends to join online and enter your organization's name in the "How did you hear about us?" field. You'll receive \$25 per nonprofit you refer (limit up to four referrals) for organizations that are approved for membership by November 29th — and you'll BOTH receive the \$25 Giving Tuesday Voucher!

Click here to join!





Last quarter one of our MCS Member Support (MMS) Award winners was On My Own, a Delray Beach nonprofit dedicated to helping individuals with disabilities achieve successful employment and independent living. They used their \$500 warehouse voucher (which provides approximately \$1,650 in retail value) to help two of their clients furnish their living spaces, and provided school supplies for foster children with Autism.



Good 360 Connect '24 Conference Highlights MCS

In October, Good360 held their Connect '24 Conference in West Palm Beach to convene regional nonprofit leaders and share ideas on how product philanthropy can make an even bigger impact in our communities.

During the two-day event, Good360 staff and conference attendees toured our West Palm Warehouse and talked logistics with our Executive Director Buddy Walck and Operations Manager Bruce Bussard. We're thrilled to share

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our knowledge and experience to help those who help others!

Mark Your Calendar

Regular hours at our Pompano Beach and West Palm Beach Warehouses are 8:00 am - 5:00 pm, Monday through Thursday. Special hours and events ahead include:

- Thursday, Nov. 28th / Both Warehouses Closed
- Sunday, Dec. 1st / 11:59 pm MCS Member Support Application Deadline
- Tuesday, Dec. 3rd / Giving Tuesday Member Vouchers Arrive
- Saturday, Dec. 7th / 8:00 am 12:00 pm Pompano Beach Warehouse Open
- Saturday, Dec. 21st / 8:00 am 12:00 pm Pompano Beach Warehouse Open
- Tuesday, Dec. 24th / 8:00 am 12:00 pm Both Warehouses (Closing Early)
- Wednesday & Thursday, Dec. 25th & 26th / Both Warehouses Closed
- Wednesday, Jan. 1st / Both Warehouses Closed



MCS Honored by Miami-Dade Schools Police Department

Last month, we received an award from Miami-Dade Schools Police
Department for our support of their toy drive for underprivileged youth, made possible by our partnership with Good360 and Toys for Tots. Activities like these help School Resource
Officers bring joy and build trust with children, ultimately helping them create



Toys are Here!

The North Pole has begun production and elves are already delivering the goods to our warehouses! We have been receiving deliveries from Hasbro to begin preparing for the holiday season. If you're already planning your stocking stuffings, stop by and save today!

Congratulations to Nonprofits First's Hats Off Nominees & Award Winners!



Despite the shuffle of hurricane re-scheduling, Palm Beach County came together to celebrate nonprofits during Nonprofits' Firsts' fantastic 8th Annual Hats Off event! We want to congratulate all of this year's amazing nominees and award winners, including these MCS Members:

- aZul Fashion, Art & Design
- Community Partners of South Florida
- Extraordinary Charities
- Extraordinary Kids Foundation
- FLIPANY
- Grandma's Place

- HabCenter Boca Raton
- Lighthouse for the Blind of the Palm
- Morninday Community Solutions
- Parianna Precious Hands
- Spirit of Giving Network
- Xcel Mentoring Network

Our congratulations also go out to individual nominees from our Member organizations, including:

- Marie Donatto, The Oasis Project
- Makayla Doolin, The Hands and Feet
- Denise Fraile, Vita Nova
- William Freeman, People of Purpose
- Beverlee Raymond, Extraordinary Charities
- Greg Schiff, Extraordinary Charities
- Buddy Walck, Morningday Community Solutions

The honor is well deserved — thank you for all you do for our community!









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