



# January 2023 ROSS Newsletter



## Fairway Gardens & Paradise Trail

### New Year's Resolutions for 2023

- Let go of things from your past.
- Focus on and do one thing at a time.
- Stop complaining.
- Give one compliment a day—including yourself.
- Find an exercise plan that you can stick with.
- Go a whole day without checking your phone.
- Read at least one book each month.
- Go someplace you've never been.
- Clear out your clutter.
- Volunteer your time to help others in need.
- Drink more water.
- Don't buy things you don't need.
- Stay in touch with the people who matter.
- Talk less and listen more.
- Learn a new skill or hobby.



### Let's Get the New Year Started Right!

If you have goals you desire to achieve, the ROSS (Resident Opportunity & Self-Sufficiency) Service Coordinator is here to help you start, stay, and stick with it until the end!



#### Don't delay...call today!

1. Develop a plan to achieve your goals
2. Identify barriers and establish strategies in overcoming them
3. Linkage and/or referrals to the following resources:



- ◆ Childcare
- ◆ Career assessment
- ◆ Education
- ◆ Financial coaching
- ◆ Home ownership counseling
- ◆ Many more.....



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Do you need food and love LASAGNA?

Serving 3,500 meals per week in all 50 states, using over 20,000 volunteers!



If interested, visit [www.lasagnalove.org/request/](http://www.lasagnalove.org/request/) or contact the ROSS Coordinator for assistance at (727) 272-0473.



DRIVE THRU FOOD PANTRY

Wednesday,  
January 11, 2023  
3:30 PM - 5:30 PM



1521 E. Druid Rd, Clearwater, FL 33756  
(727) 446-4177

[www.salvationarmyclearwater.org](http://www.salvationarmyclearwater.org)

### Are you disabled and desire to work or advance your career?



The Florida Department of Education, Division of Vocational Rehabilitation (VR) helps eligible individuals with physical or mental disabilities find or keep a better job.

Who is Eligible for Rehabilitation Services?

- You have a physical or mental disability
- Your disability is a barrier to employment
- You need VR services to get or keep a job



Pre-employment Transition services also available for students with disabilities ages 14-21 currently enrolled in school



For more information or to apply, contact **Jessica Dollard** at (727) 518-3466 or email at [Jessica.Dollard@vr.fldoe.org](mailto:Jessica.Dollard@vr.fldoe.org) or visit [www.RehabWorks.org](http://www.RehabWorks.org)

## Clearwater For Youth (CFY) 2023 College Scholarships...



### Scholarship Applications Are Now Open!



Since 2013, Clearwater For Youth (CYF) has facilitated over \$550,000 in scholarships through the Richard O. Jacobson (ROJ) Post-secondary Scholarship Program, named for Mr. Jacobson who was instrumental in the growth of CFY and unwavering in his support of area youth. Through this program, CFY matches community sponsors to aspiring Pinellas County High School seniors seeking to further their education through local and national colleges, universities, trade, and vocational schools.

**Available Scholarships:**  
 \$3,500 - Trade/Vocational  
 \$5,000 - College University  
 \$10,000 - College/Vocational



- Any Pinellas County High School senior is eligible
- Applications must be completed online by January 15, 2023
- Top applicants determined by using blind review process
- Scholarship funds are issued directly to the institution



For more information, call (727) 562-4903 or email at [scholarships@cfypinellas.org](mailto:scholarships@cfypinellas.org)

[www.cfypinellas.org/scholarships/](http://www.cfypinellas.org/scholarships/)

## Pinellas County Government Career Fair Friday, January 27, 2023 - 12:00 PM - 4:00 PM



### Start the New Year With a New Career!



- 911 Telecommunications
- Animal Control
- Auditing
- Call Center
- Court Professionals
- Customer Service
- Engineering
- Field & Craft Work
- Finance/Accounting
- Information Technology
- Maintenance
- Mechanics
- Parks
- Procurement
- Project Management
- Public Works
- Records Management
- Tax Collection
- Utilities
- and much more!



**Florida Botanical Gardens**  
 12520 Ulmerton Road  
 Clearwater, FL 33774

**No registration needed...just come!**

- Hiring managers and Human Resources teams will be on hand!
- Dress professionally and bring copies of your resume
- Onsite interviews offered for various positions
- Veterans also encouraged to attend (bring DD-214 or appropriate documentation)



For more information call (727) 464-3367, option 2 or email at [hiring@pinellascounty.org](mailto:hiring@pinellascounty.org)

[www.PinellasCounty.org/hr/career-fair](http://www.PinellasCounty.org/hr/career-fair)



## AMERICA'S SBDC FLORIDA FREE Business Workshops Available!

Learn ways to start or to grow your business in Pinellas with these free virtual workshops!

The Florida Small Business Development Center Network at Pinellas County offers business training, consulting, referrals and resources. Workshops fill quickly and advanced registration is requested. Classes are cancelled on holidays or any day county offices are closed.



For more information or to request a consulting appointment, call (727) 453-7200. To register for upcoming virtual classes, visit

[www.PCED.org/sbdc](http://www.PCED.org/sbdc)



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 Suite 1-200  
 Clearwater, FL 33760

## 37th Annual MLK Dream Big Parade - 2023!

**Monday, January 16, 2023**  
**11:00 AM - 2:00 PM**

1st Avenue South (Downtown)  
 St. Petersburg, FL 33705

For more information, contact  
**(727) 321-7919** or visit  
[www.mlkdreambig.com](http://www.mlkdreambig.com)



Clearwater Housing Authority (CHA) offices will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day on **Monday, January 16, 2023.**