

Barnabas Center Empty Bowls Luncheon



Please Sponsor Our Community Event

Location:

The Ritz-Carlton, Amelia Island
4750 Amelia Island Parkway
Fernandina Beach, FL 32034



THE RITZ-CARLTON

AMELIA ISLAND

Date:

Tuesday, November 24, 2026

Time:

Noon - 1 p.m.

Doors open & bowl selection begins: 11 a.m.



Individual tickets available
at BarnabasNassau.org beginning
October 1, 2026

*"Without grace there is no hope, but with it
there is no shortage."*

-St. Barnabas

Come share a bowl of soup that will enrich your spirit and choose a unique, beautiful, hand-painted bowl to take home - all to benefit our community!

AN EMPTY BOWL IS A SYMBOL OF HUNGER. In support of our neighbors coping with food insecurity, Barnabas Center is hosting our 13th annual Empty Bowls event to raise awareness and funds to combat hunger and crisis in Nassau County. A simple meal of soup, bread and dessert will be served by volunteers. In addition, each guest will be able to select a beautiful, hand-painted bowl to take home. Potters and volunteers throughout the area have painted ceramic bowls so that each attendee can have a permanent reminder of the many bowls we still need to fill to provide nourishment to our neighbors, who struggle with hunger.

CELEBRATING 13 YEARS OF EMPTY BOWLS SERVING THE COMMUNITY!

Empty Bowls is a grassroots effort to combat hunger and all its residual effects. Since 2014, this beloved community event has enabled us to raise funds that battle food insecurity and poverty throughout Nassau County. It also provides a great opportunity to showcase the many ways Barnabas Center connects people with the help and hope they need to become self-sufficient.

CHECK OUT 10 FACTS ABOUT HOW BARNABAS CENTER HELPS OTHERS

1 We Help Thousands in Our Community

We are the sole safety net organization in Nassau County providing help and hope to community members in need.

2 We Multiply Every Donated Dollar

A donation of \$1 to Barnabas Center enables our nutrition services department to purchase \$7-\$10 worth of food, thanks to wholesale purchasing power and partnerships with large-scale food banks and local farms.

3 Our New to You Resale Store Supports Our Mission

Whenever anyone donates or purchases items from our resale store, it generates revenue that we use to fund and provide essential services needed by Nassau County neighbors in need.

4 We Consistently Rank in the Top 1% of Nonprofits

For the 18th year in a row, Barnabas Center received the highest 4-star independent rating from Charity Navigator for exceptional fiscal and organizational management.

5 We Provide Low-Cost Health Care to Adults

Last year, 1,178 uninsured adults received low-cost or free medical, dental, behavioral health, telehealth and/or vision services through 2,986 separate service encounters.

6 We Save Money Through Our Valued Volunteers

Our generous group of 461 volunteers provided more than 19,000 hours of service last year, enabling us to operate efficiently and saving us \$600,596.

7 The Medical Services We Provide are Worth Millions

The Barnabas Center Health Services Clinic and its partners provide uninsured and underserved adults low-cost health services donated by our partners: Baptist Health System, Mayo Clinic Foundation, American Heart Association and other specialty providers. Last year, the value of these services was \$1.9 million.

8 We Stabilize Households in Crisis

Our empowerment programs provided rent, mortgage and/or utility assistance to 352 households so they could remain in their homes last year.

9 Our Nutrition Services Department Impacts 38,000+ People

Our nutrition services department helped feed 38,984 people last year by processing 775,799 pounds of healthy food.

10 We Deliver Hope

Many don't realize that the largest growing population experiencing hunger or food insecurity is working families. We bridge the gap by providing healthy, fresh food for everyone – from seniors to veterans to families just trying to make ends meet.

2024-2025 Audited Numbers

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

LEGACY SPONSOR



\$25,000+ TITANIUM SPONSOR

- Significant recognition on event signage and in PPT
- Logo recognition on front page of event program
- Name recognition in media efforts
- Name recognition in Barnabas Center newsletter
- Logo recognition on website
- Name recognition on event ticket (print deadline Sept. 1)
- 1 reserved table/10 tickets*

\$10,000 PRESENTING SPONSOR

- Logo recognition on event signage and in PPT
- Logo recognition on front page of event program
- Name recognition in media efforts
- Name recognition in Barnabas Center newsletter
- Logo recognition on website
- 8 reserved tickets*

\$5,000 PLATINUM BOWL SPONSOR

- Logo recognition on event signage, program and in PPT
- Name recognition in Barnabas Center newsletter
- Logo recognition on website
- 6 reserved tickets*

\$2,500 GOLD BOWL SPONSOR

- Logo recognition on event signage and in program
- Name recognition in Barnabas Center newsletter
- Name recognition on website
- 4 reserved tickets*

\$1,000 SILVER BOWL SPONSOR

- Logo recognition on event signage and name in program
- Name recognition in Barnabas Center newsletter
- Name recognition on website
- 4 reserved tickets*

\$500 BRONZE BOWL SPONSOR

- Name recognition in program
- Name recognition on website
- 2 reserved tickets*

\$250 COPPER BOWL SPONSOR

- Name recognition on website
- 2 tickets, open seating*

**In compliance with IRS regulations: Each sponsorship includes goods/services valued at the fair market value of \$59 per ticket. The amount of your contribution that is deductible for federal income tax purposes is the total cost of your sponsorship minus \$59 for each ticket you use.*

Barnabas Center connects Nassau County individuals and families to services that empower them to overcome crisis and achieve self-sufficiency.



SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION

YES! I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THIS YEAR'S EMPTY BOWLS LUNCHEON!

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Titanium Sponsor @ \$25,000
1 reserved table (10 tickets) | <input type="checkbox"/> Gold Sponsor @ \$2,500
4 reserved tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> Bronze Sponsor @ \$500
2 reserved tickets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Presenting Sponsor @ \$10,000
8 reserved tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> Silver Sponsor @ \$1,000
4 reserved tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> Copper Sponsor @ \$250
2 tickets, open seating |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Platinum Sponsor @ \$5,000
6 reserved tickets | *Tickets will arrive by mail in early November | |

As a sponsor, how many tickets do you plan to use? # _____

Your early response allows us to maximize seating capacity.

Sponsor logos due by Sept. 1, 2026 - send to Sponsor-EB@barnabasnassau.org

SPONSOR PROFILE

Company and/or Individual Name _____
 Name (to be used for publicity purposes) _____
 Contact _____ Phone (required) _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email (required) _____

PAYMENT METHOD

Pledge \$ _____ to sponsor Empty Bowls. My payment will be sent on or before November 1, 2026.
 My check for \$ _____ is enclosed or it will be sent by _____ (my donor advised fund/fdn., etc.)
 Please charge \$ _____ to the following credit card: (circle one)
 AMERICAN EXPRESS MASTERCARD VISA DISCOVER
 Card Number: _____ Exp: _____
 CCV: _____ Name on Card: _____
 Cardholder Signature: _____

Please make checks payable to: Barnabas Center Inc., 1303 Jasmine St., Suite 101, Fernandina Beach, FL 32034
 An acknowledgment of receipt of your payment will be sent to you.

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