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Pasco Tax Collector Offices Collect Over \$13,000 for Fostering Change Foster Closet

During the month of March, the Pasco County Tax Collector's Offices accepted donations totaling \$13,179 on behalf of Fostering Change Foster Closet, a non-profit program. Fostering Change Foster Closet was created to provide children who are removed from their homes and put into foster care to pick up needed clothing, personal care supplies and even food. Based in Pasco County, Fostering Change Foster Closet offers help to any child who has entered foster care and were unable to bring even the most basic of personal care needs from their home at the time of removal.

"Thank you to Mike Fasano, Greg Giordano, Pasco County Tax Collector Office's amazing staff and to this incredible community," comments George Agovino, Founder & Director of Fostering Change Foster Closet. "This donation goes directly to helping children in foster care and children and families in need. We could never do any of this without you. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Our community gives Hope to children/families when they feel there was none." It is estimated that in the Suncoast Region over 3,900 children are removed from their homes each year and placed into foster care. This is a large portion of the over 6,000 children who enter foster care in the West Central Florida region. Most children stay in foster care for about 13 months until they are reunited with their families or put into permanent placement with a new family. The Fostering Change Foster Closet helps bridge the gap in clothing and supplies for the children during their stay in foster care.

“It was a great honor for our office to feature Fostering Change Foster Closet as our Charity-of-the-Month in March,” remarks Tax Collector Mike Fasano. “George Agovino and his team have made an impact on the families in the foster care system that can’t be measured. Due to a very generous community and staff of the tax collector’s office, it was truly a pleasure to play a small part in the success of this fine organization. Thank you to all who donated during this charitable giving drive.”

For more details regarding this charitable promotion, or services provided by the Pasco County Tax Collector’s Office, please contact Greg Giordano, Assistant Tax Collector at 727-847-8179 or visit www.pascotaxes.com For more information about Fostering Care Foster Closet please visit <https://fosteringchangeclomet.com/> or contact George Agovino, Founder & Director at (813) 421-1958.

[PHOTO – Tax Collector Mike Fasano, Deputy Chief Tax Collector Tim Couet, Assistant Tax Collector Greg Giordano, and other tax collector staff members join George Agovino for the presentation of the ceremonial check.]

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