

The Children's Table

CNN Heroes Salutes: The Children's Table

CNN Heroes Salutes highlights individuals and organizations making a real difference in their communities. Past honorees include Shirley Raines, Nelly Cheboi, Dr. Kwane Stewart, and Stephen Knight. We're thrilled to share that The Children's Table and our founder, Mr. Bill Brown, were recently featured, showcasing our volunteers, mobile distributions, and dedication to feeding families in need.



We are honored to share that CNN Heroes Salutes recently featured The Children's Table in a powerful story about our work feeding families in need. A CNN crew joined us in Bronson for three full days, capturing the heart of our mission through the dedication of our volunteers, the journeys of our bus distributions, and the legacy of our founder, Mr. Bill Brown. You can watch this segment online by visiting: <https://edition.cnn.com/2025/08/22/us/florida-food-insecurity-bill-brown-childrens-table-cnnheroes-salutes>



From early mornings loading the bus, to long afternoons at community distributions, the cameras followed our volunteers every step of the way. They filmed the care that goes into preparing each food box, the teamwork that makes our operations possible, and the compassion shown to every family who drives through. CNN even joined us on the road for a mobile distribution and then spent time at our Monday Bronson distribution, where they interviewed Mr. Bill and saw firsthand the impact of his lifelong commitment to fighting hunger.



This was an incredible experience for our team, and we are deeply grateful to everyone who participated and welcomed the cameras into their day-to-day work. You helped show the world what makes The Children's Table so special.

Join Us as a Volunteer—Make Friends, Have Fun, Change Lives!

We've always got room for more helping hands—and there's something for everyone to do! Whether you're a homeschooler, student, part of a work crew, or just someone ready to jump in and make a difference, volunteering at The Children's Table is a fun and meaningful way to give back. Some workplaces even pay you to volunteer—so ask your boss and bring your team! 🙌 Join us any Monday at 8:00 AM at 680 West Thrasher Drive, Bronson, and we'll get you plugged in right away. From packing boxes to loading cars, there are jobs for all ages and skill levels, and you'll meet the most amazing group of volunteers while serving your community. 💙 Volunteering doesn't just feed families—it feeds the soul. So grab your closed-toed shoes, dress for the day's weather, and come join the fun!



Fall Gardening at The Children's Table

Our community garden is buzzing with activity as we get ready for the Fall crop! Join us any Wednesday around 9:00 AM to meet our volunteer teachers and pickers as they work the fields. While these aren't structured classes, you're bound to pick up new skills and gardening tips along the way. Keep an eye on our Facebook page for upcoming Picking Party dates—an opportunity to harvest, learn, and connect with fellow volunteers. We can't wait to see you down on the farm and share the joy of growing fresh, healthy food for our community!

Upcoming Food Distribution!



Volunteer Spotlight: Meet Sophia

Food Distribution SCHEDULE – SEPTEMBER 2025 9/01/2025						
352-721-5406 Volunteer Opportunities ask for Stacey - ChildrensTable.org Donate Today!						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Make a positive impact: Volunteer Today! Call for info.	1 Your \$10 Donations help fuel our mission! 10 AM-12 PM 680 Thrasher Drive Bronson	2	3	4 Volunteers Arrive: 8 AM  Volunteer	5 Join our Bus for Mobile Food Distributions FRIDAYS 10:00 Archer - Davis Center, 17500 SW Archer Rd, Archer, 11:30 Williston - Masonic Lodge 250 NW 6th Blvd. Highway 121 1:00 Gainesville - Countryside Baptist Church 10926 NW 39th Avenue	6 
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14	15 Bronson 10 AM-12 PM 680 West Thrasher Dr.	16 We can't do this without YOU! Call to learn how you can help!	17 11:00 Lebanon Baptist Church Branchford	18 Volunteers Arrive: 8 AM	19 10:00 Archer - Davis Center, 17500 SW Archer Rd, Archer, 11:30 Williston - Masonic Lodge 250 NW 6th Blvd. Highway 121 1:00 Gainesville - Countryside Baptist Church 10926 NW 39th Avenue	20 Learn about our community veggie garden 352-486-6525
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This summer, we were thrilled to welcome Sophia Smith to The Children's Table family! She first started volunteering alongside her grandmother, Linda, and quickly became a bright, enthusiastic presence at our distributions. Whether it's Mondays or Thursdays, Sophie is always ready to jump in and help wherever she's needed.

She's been seen assisting with our dry bags, sorting items for distribution, and even helping at the front table during Monday distributions—handing out treats to families with children with a big smile. Her cheerful attitude and willingness to help make a real difference for our team and the families we serve.

Thank you, Sophia, for your dedication and heart—you embody the spirit of giving that makes The Children's Table so special!

A Family's Story: How The Children's Table Helped

When Maria* first came to The Children's Table, she was struggling to make ends meet. As a single mother of two young children, she had been relying on friends and local pantries just to get by. She arrived at our Monday distribution feeling uncertain, unsure what to expect—but she left with much more than groceries.

Our volunteers helped pack her car with, fresh produce, pantry staples, and our Facebook Page offered tips to stretch meals. Seeing her children's smiles reminded us why we do this work, and Maria left with relief and hope for nourishing meals ahead.

Stories like Maria's show that every bag and volunteer hour makes a difference. Thanks to our donors and volunteers, we support families across Levy County every week. *Name changed for privacy

You Can Help! Pal Pal 1x per month or Cash App - HELP TODAY!

Your donation has a direct and powerful impact. Just \$10 allows us to provide a week's worth of groceries to an entire family. With the help of our incredible volunteers and strong community partnerships, we make every dollar go further—reaching more families and filling more tables.

♥ Please consider donating today through our website: 📱 www.thechildrenstable.org/donate

Together, we can ensure that no child in our community goes hungry. Thank you for your support.

Your Donations Help Us - Help Our Community! Call, Visit our Website or mail your tax deductible donation to: P.O. Box 222 Bronson, FL 32621

