



Miriam's Basket, Inc.

~a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization serving Clay County~

Providing Clothing and Shoes to Children in Crisis

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Dear Friends,

I hope YOU and YOUR family are doing well in the midst of this coronavirus crisis. It is so hard to grasp the global nature of this vicious virus that has challenged our sense of normalcy thus far in 2020. Sanitizing, hand washing, mask-wearing and physical distancing have become the "new normal" in our society and yet, there are still children in our own community whose "normal" continues to be a crisis beyond our comprehension. Too many children find themselves victims in their own homes facing abuse and neglect or other critical circumstances that lead them to a crisis situation in need of intervention and compassionate care.

Although our personal actions against the global pandemic are somewhat limited, YOU can join in the efforts of Miriam's Basket, Inc. to work diligently in addressing the needs of these children in crisis. As you are aware, the challenges of the COVID-19 safety guidelines to prevent the spread of the virus have greatly limited the social interactions we have come to take for granted. Thus, businesses, churches, families and non-profit organizations have found the need to formulate a "Plan B" for their regular activities. As many parts of the economy are in the process of re-opening and returning to business following state and community mandated protocol, we, at Miriam's Basket, are making plans as well for a MODIFIED approach to serving these children and continue ***"Doin' A Good Thing!"***

Our CLOTHING DONATION PROCESS has been modified and updated on our FaceBook page. Of note:

- All drop-offs are BY APPOINTMENT ONLY! We do not have regular hours at the Basket.
- NEVER leave items on the sidewalk at the Basket. This could result in serious issues for us.
- At this time, we are accepting SUMMER CLOTHES ONLY.
- Socks, Shoes (tennis shoes only), and Undies MUST ALWAYS BE BRAND NEW!
- Used Clothing must be in *perfect condition*, freshly washed, folded and in a Tall Kitchen Size garbage bag – NO JUMBO BAGS – NO CARDBOARD BOXES.
- Following this process is critical for our volunteers, terms of our facility lease, and the children we serve.

In light of the current circumstances and the need to consider YOUR safety we have decided to postpone our **10th ANNUAL "DOIN' A GOOD THING!" DINNER AND SILENT AUCTION**. It will be rescheduled in 2021 at a date to be determined. ***Regretfully, the need for our event, funding the Basket, cannot be postponed!*** The children we serve need YOUR SUPPORT now! During this pandemic, the Basket has remained open to serve the children of Clay County and the need for YOUR HELP is greater than ever. We hope you can help!

PLEASE REFER TO THE NEXT PAGE FOR YOUR OPTIONS OF SUPPORT.

As always, we are so grateful for YOU
and hope that you will continue your interest and support for Miriam's Basket, Inc.
Remember – it's for the children!

May God Bless YOU and keep YOU safe!

Linda Grabowski, Executive Director

Commitment of Support for Miriam's Basket, Inc.

Please Return As Soon As Possible To:

Miriam's Basket, Inc. Linda Grabowski, Executive Director P.O. Box 625 Middleburg, FL 32050

Name: _____ Organization: _____
PLEASE PRINT

I / my organization will support Miriam's Basket, Inc. in the following way(s):

_____ **Prayer Partners** – I/we will pray for the clients and volunteers of Miriam's Basket, Inc.

_____ **"Basketeers"** – I/we will commit to a monthly financial contribution for:

_____ facility needs - rent, utilities, insurance, office supplies

_____ client needs - shoes, clothing needs not in stock

_____ area of greatest need

in the amount of : _____ \$200 _____ \$100 _____ \$50 _____ \$ _____

_____ I/we would like to join the **"Do in' a Good Thing !" Support Team** as checked below:

*Recognition will be given via the Miriam's Basket website.

*Please let us know if you prefer to remain anonymous.

_____ **DIAMOND SPONSOR** - \$5000

_____ **PLATINUM SPONSOR** - \$2500 - \$4999

_____ **GOLD SPONSOR** - \$1000 - \$2499

_____ **SILVER SPONSOR** - \$500 - \$999

_____ **BRONZE SPONSOR** - \$250 - \$499

_____ **BAG SPONSOR for YOUNG CHILD @ \$150/BAG**

_____ **BAG SPONSOR for TEENAGER @ \$200/BAG**

_____ I/we are unable to join the **SUPPORT TEAM** at this time, but have included a **Donation today**
in the amount of: \$ _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

*Printed Name for Recognition: _____

Contact Information: (will not be published or shared)

Address: _____

Phone #: _____ Email Address: _____

May we include you in our email communications – updates, special events, critical needs? _____ YES _____ NO

YOUR support is greatly appreciated. Each gift makes a difference for a child in crisis in Clay County.

Checks should be made to "Miriam's Basket, Inc." OR donate via PayPal or Credit Card on our website.

You will receive a receipt for your contribution that will be suitable for your IRS tax records.

PLEASE SHARE OUR MISSION WITH OTHERS!

Miriam's Basket, Inc. Registration # CH44096

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