

May 1, 2022 Florida Regional Meeting held at Carl Black Chevrolet.

For the second time, the Florida Region offered clubs an opportunity to showcase the charities their clubs support and a share in \$5000. As it turned out, 12 clubs presented information on the charities they support. The following is the list of clubs that participated”

Cape Kennedy Corvette Club has been supporting the Sharing Center of Central Brevard County for several decades. Annually the club has donated up to \$3000 to the charity by holding a silent auction at their holiday party and other contributions. The club has also collected toiletries and canned goods to their pantry. The Community Kitchen and Thrift Shop has provided services since 1985.

Bay Area Corvette Club presented the Wounded Warriors Abilities Ranch in Tampa. This club raised money for their charity from an annual Car Show.

Gulf Coast Corvette Club raises funds for The Haven where Functional Academics, Life and Vocation skills are offered. GCCC donated funds and attended their open house. They also bought sponsor T-shirts and members showed their Corvettes to the delight of the students.

Central Florida Corvette Club supports The Russell Home for Atypical Children in Orlando where donations are made to help with ongoing maintenance of the home as well as help with resident needs. The unique thing about The Russell Home is that once a resident moves in, they live there for their lifetime. CFCC has contributed over 200 person-hours and more than \$13,000.

North Florida Corvette Association champions the Wolfson’s Children’s Hospital in Jacksonville. The private hospital never turns a child away regardless of their ability to pay. An annual car show held at the World Golf Center provides most of the money contributed by the club.

Corvettes of Naples has given to several charities this year but requested the region donation be given to Miracle Limbs this year. The other charities supported are The East Naples Foundation, Guardian Angel Service Animals and Special Equestrians of Lee County.

Vette Set Corvette Club supports the Boys and Girls Club of Alachua County by giving at least \$2000 annually. The Boys and Girls Club provides positive educational, recreational, leadership and sports programming for youth via quality after-school programs, a summer camp and other programming during the summer. VSCC has always felt a strong affinity towards the Boys and Girls Club in that some of our members have actually benefitted from the many services provided in their youth.

Space Coast Vettes supports Childrens Hunger Project. The Children's Hunger Project serves 2900 children in 47 schools in Brevard County. These are the Brevard's most vulnerable children. The Children's Hunger Project packs food for these children to take home so they avoid hunger for the weekend.

Florida Corvette Club chose the Second Harvest Food Bank of Central Florida. The club has donated 700 lbs. of food stuff where 14 cars caravanned to their warehouse to make the delivery.

Corvette Club of South Florida reached a Big milestone by reaching their goal of contributing \$150,000 to the DiMaggio Children's Hospital in Hollywood, FL.

Peace River Corvette Club donates to Charlotte County Special Olympics -PRCC has donated over \$2,000 to the local chapter of Special Olympics over the past couple years. The club is now in the process of beginning the preparation for a Photo Rally in conjunction with Special Olympics with a confirmed date of Sunday, January 8, 2023 and have already scheduled the venue location and caterer for the event.

Vettes 4 Fun chose the Lake Cares Food Bank to receive their donation. Lake Cares distributed food to over 61000 people in 2020. The food distribution and the pantry are manned by an all-volunteer staff.

