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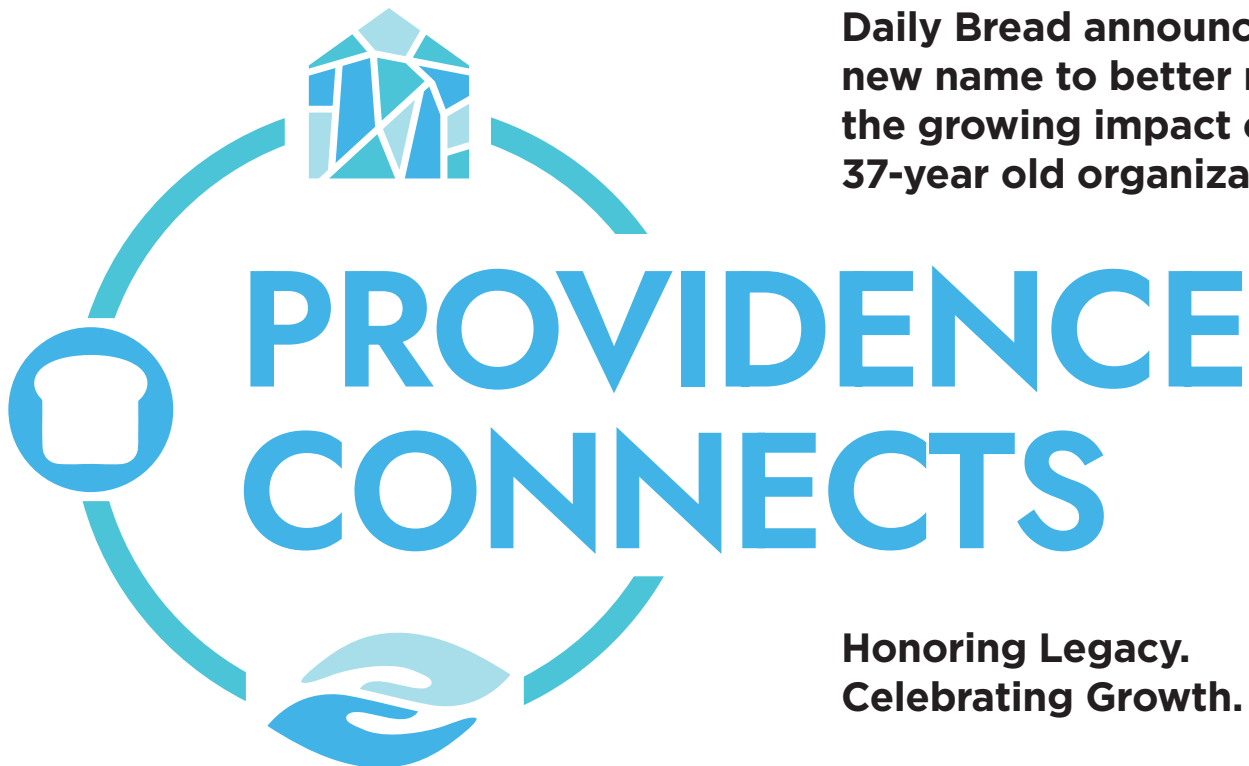
Breaking News

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DAILY BREAD ANNOUNCES



Daily Bread announces
new name to better reflect
the growing impact of the
37-year old organization!

Honoring Legacy.
Celebrating Growth.

PROVIDING FOOD. PROVIDING OUTREACH. PROVIDING HOUSING.

DAILY BREAD is becoming

Since 1988, Daily Bread has been a lifeline for people facing hunger and homelessness in Brevard County. What started as a humble effort to serve hot meals has grown into a powerful movement—one rooted in compassion, dignity, and the unwavering belief that no one should have to struggle alone.

Over the decades, we have listened to our community, adapted to its needs, and expanded our services to meet the growing challenges facing our neighbors. Today, that growth has brought us to a pivotal moment in our story. It's time for a name that reflects the full scope of who we are and what we do.

We are proud to announce that *Daily Bread* is becoming *Providence Connects*.

Why Providence Connects? Because connection is at the heart of everything we do. We connect people to food, to vital services, to housing—and most importantly—to hope. Our new name honors both where we've been and where we're going, ensuring that our mission is clear to all we serve and those who support us in continuing the legacy of Daily Bread.

The story of Providence Connects is built on three pillars of service: Food, Outreach, and Housing. Together, these pillars form a comprehensive approach to ending homelessness and addressing the root causes of poverty in our community.

A Name that Reflects a Mission

As we continue to expand these three pillars of service, we recognize that Daily Bread no longer fully captures the depth and breadth of our work. Our new name, *Providence Connects*, represents a powerful truth: we are here to connect people to what they need most—whether that's a hot meal, a shower, a healthcare provider, or a home of their own.

The new logo honors this journey. The *Daily Bread* icon represents our food legacy. The *South Brevard Sharing Center* icon reflects our commitment to outreach and partnership. And the *Providence Place* icon symbolizes the long-term, transformative goal of permanent housing. Together, these icons form a unified whole—just as our services create a seamless pathway from crisis to stability.

Honoring the Past, Building the Future

While the name is changing, our heart remains the same. The compassion, dignity, and sense of community that defined Daily Bread will continue to drive Providence Connects into the future.

We are excited to step boldly into this next chapter—one where every meal, every connection, every safe night of sleep represents a step closer to a thriving, healthy community for all.

Join us as we celebrate our past and embrace the future with *Providence Connects*.



Pillar One: Food Distribution

For many, the journey toward stability starts with a meal. Providence Connects combats food insecurity with three integrated strategies:

1. Mobile Food Truck & Outreach:

We meet people where they are, delivering hot, chef-prepared meals to unsheltered individuals throughout Melbourne. More than just food, these mobile outreach efforts include hygiene services and case management, providing immediate relief and beginning relationships built on trust and compassion.

2. Support for 30+ Food Pantries and Meal Programs:

As a regional food rescue hub, we recover and redistribute more than 800,000 pounds of food every year. By working with churches, senior centers, nonprofits like Meals on Wheels, and other local partners, we strengthen the entire hunger relief system—ensuring that families, seniors, and unhoused individuals across the region have consistent access to nutritious food.

3. Pantry Partnership with South Brevard Sharing Center:

In partnership with the Sharing Center, we've revitalized one of Brevard's largest food pantries. What was once open two and a half days per week now operates five days a week, delivering groceries, hygiene supplies, and personalized care to working families, seniors, and those experiencing homelessness.



The Sharing Center pantry offers so much more than shelf-stable items. A friendly face greets customers, and they leave with fresh produce, proteins, and dairy products.



Pillar Two: Street Outreach

A meal may be the first connection—but the work doesn't stop there. Providence Connects is committed to helping individuals move beyond survival and into stability. Our two mobile outreach units—the food truck and partner, Streetside Showers—bring not only relief, but opportunity.

Our housing-focused outreach teams and case managers engage people with compassion, offering emotional support, healthcare referrals, and personalized plans to connect each individual with housing and other critical services. We believe no one should have to experience homelessness alone, and our outreach ensures that help is always within reach.



Housing-focused case managers meet clients in the mobile office, made possible by the Brevard Homeless Coalition.



The Daily Bread food truck, Streetside Chef, serves about 80 meals every Tuesday at the Allen Chapel AME Church. Thank you to the HealthFirst Foundation for funding the food truck!



Pillar Three: Permanent Supportive Housing through Providence Place

The ultimate solution to homelessness is housing. Providence Place, our supportive housing development, represents the culmination of everything we work for: a safe, stable home combined with the support needed to maintain it.

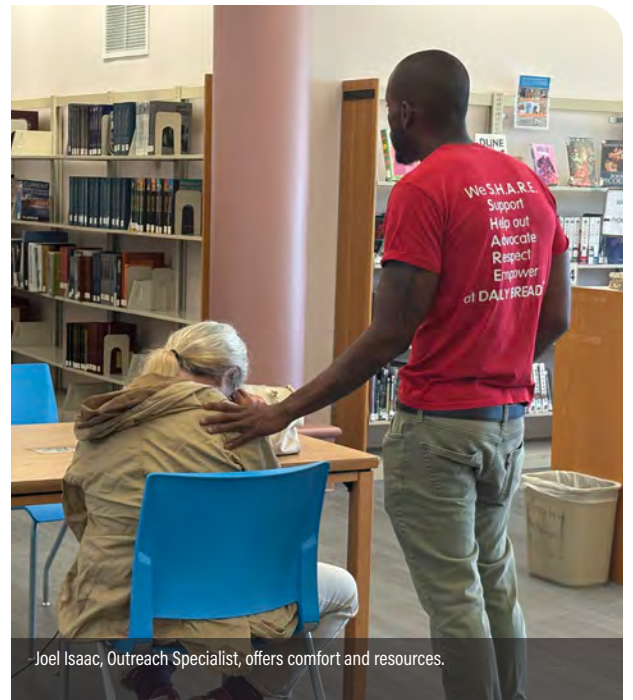
At Providence Place, residents will find not just a roof over their heads, but a foundation for a better life. With affordable rent, on-site case management, healthcare access, and tailored services, tenants will have the resources they need to break the cycle of homelessness for good.



Steve & Daniel's move in day at Heritage Park.



Senior Case Manager, Vidya Bhagu, shares a game of chess at the Melbourne Library with a homeless client while discussing his current challenges and plan for the future.



Joel Isaac, Outreach Specialist, offers comfort and resources.

Outreach Update

Following the closure of Daily Bread's Fee Avenue campus on May 9, we immediately expanded our commitment to meet people where they are. Within days, our outreach teams were on the ground at four strategic locations across Melbourne: Allen Chapel AME Church in the south, New Shiloh Christian Center to the west, Wholeness to Freedom in the north, and Coastline Community Church in the east.

At each site, our neighbors experiencing homelessness can access hot meals, showers, clean clothing, and—most importantly—personalized support from case managers. These connections help individuals navigate the complex challenges of homelessness, from healthcare needs to housing resources.

But our work doesn't stop there. When not at these outreach sites, our case managers actively engage with clients in parks, at libraries, and wherever they can be found, ensuring that no one is left behind.

We've been especially encouraged by feedback from the City of Melbourne. One city official recently commented that they "can't believe how well the outreach sites are working." Together with the support of our partners and the community, we're bringing compassionate, dignified care directly to those who need it most.



Watch this video to experience an outreach access point.



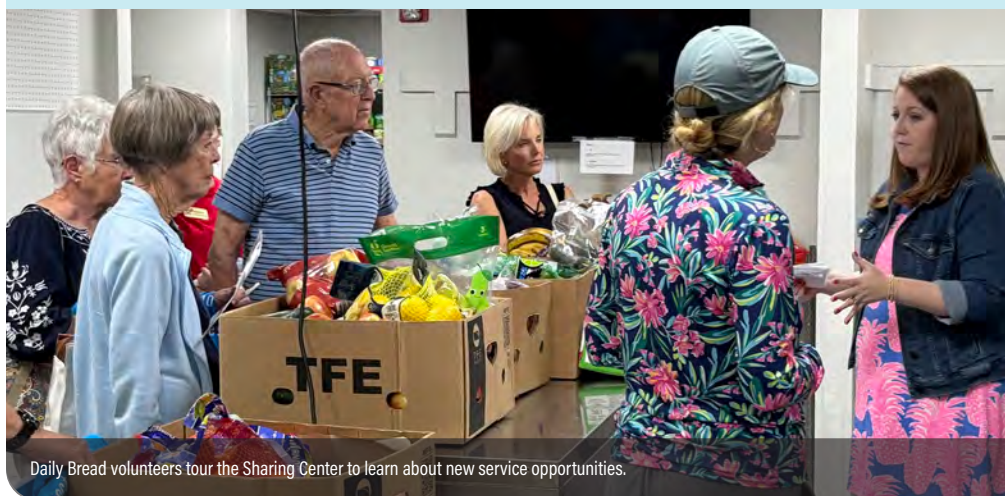
Wholeness to Freedom on Aurora Road hosts our Thursday morning outreach in tandem with their weekly food pantry.

Food Distribution Update

We are excited to share that Daily Bread has entered into a strategic alliance with the South Brevard Sharing Center. Recognizing Daily Bread's strong community presence and proven impact, the Sharing Center Board—led by Jessica Devine—invited Daily Bread to combine forces, strengthening both organizations' abilities to serve vulnerable populations throughout Brevard County.

With the addition of Daily Bread's leadership, staff, and volunteers, the Sharing Center's food pantry has expanded its operating hours from two and a half days a week to five, including a weeknight and a weekend day, to serve working families better. In July, we introduced a new client choice model called Fresh Choice, allowing individuals and families to shop for the groceries they want and need, rather than receiving a pre-packed bag—restoring dignity and choice in the process. Additionally, the growth will enable customers to shop weekly instead of twice a month.

This partnership not only expands vital resources for our community but also creates new opportunities for volunteers and staff to engage in meaningful service. Additionally, Daily Bread now has access to expanded space and resources at the Sharing Center, supporting our broader food distribution efforts and continuing our homeless outreach following the closure of the Fee Avenue location.



Sharing Center Board Chair, Jessica Devine, and Daily Bread Board Chair, Nancy Tomassone.

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Housing Update

Plans for *Providence Place*—our permanent supportive housing community—are moving forward with exciting progress. In the coming weeks, we will submit formal plans to the City of Melbourne for permitting. Behind the scenes, we are actively working through the complex financing process this summer, assembling the partnerships and funding needed to bring this transformative project to life.

If all continues as planned, we anticipate breaking ground in late 2025 or early 2026.

Providence Place will be more than just housing—it will be the *ultimate solution* for individuals coming out of homelessness. By combining safe, affordable apartments with on-site case management, healthcare access, and wraparound services, Providence Place will provide both stability and opportunity. Residents won't just have a place to live; they'll have the support they need to rebuild their lives and thrive for the long term.

This project represents the heart of our mission and the final step in the journey from crisis to stability. With the continued support of our community, we're excited to move closer to a future where homelessness is rare, brief, and one day—gone for good.

Visit providence.place/what-is-providence-place for an extensive FAQ that covers who will be eligible to live there, the selection process, what it will cost renters, and the requirements to remain housed there.



*Tour Providence Place
here!*

Thank You to Our Monthly Donors

We want to take a moment to express our heartfelt gratitude to the many individuals who make a monthly gift to support our work. These steady, reliable contributions are truly the backbone of Providence Connects. Monthly giving allows us to plan ahead, budget more effectively, and ensure that our programs remain strong and responsive to community needs. Knowing we can count on your ongoing support gives us the confidence to grow our services, expand outreach, and pursue long-term solutions like Providence Place. Together, your generosity is helping create lasting change—and we couldn't do it without you.

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LETTER FROM OUR EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR



Dear friends of Daily Bread,

I've been reflecting deeply on the legacy of Daily Bread and all that we experienced together on Fee Avenue. One word rises above the rest to describe what happened there: connection. It was there that we connected with the people in greatest need in our

community—offering more than just a shower or a meal. We offered dignity, support, and, most importantly, a path forward. We helped our neighbors connect not only to basic necessities, but to housing opportunities and the hope of a life beyond homelessness.

Today, that legacy has not only endured—it has expanded. The spirit of Daily Bread is alive in every outreach access point, where we meet people with compassion, share meals, offer showers, and walk alongside them as they take steps toward stability. We now connect with individuals in libraries, in parks, and wherever need finds us.

That's why I love the name Providence Connects—because it captures the heart of what we do: we connect people to food, to housing, and to hope. The mission that began on Fee Avenue lives on through these growing, life-changing connections.

You might be wondering: Does that mean the name Daily Bread is going away? Not at all. Daily Bread lives on in our food distribution network, which continues to serve thousands across the region. And the iconic bread symbol remains at the heart of our mission—it's been thoughtfully incorporated into the new Providence Connects logo, honoring our roots while embracing the broader scope of our work.

Thank you for being part of this journey. Your support continues to grow our impact and bring connection, care, and transformation to even more of our neighbors in need.

With appreciation,

Jeffrey Njus

Hey Y'all!

Thank you for coming out to support our 2nd Annual Chili Cookoff on April 6 at Front Street Park. Thanks to our sponsors, especially the Wrangler Level Sponsors: Jim & Linda Hollis and Space Coast Association of Realtors, we had a hootin' hollerin' good time! Congrats to our winners: 1st place – Zeta Phi Beta Sorority's Finer Burn, 2nd place – Woo-Tangy, and 3rd place – Triple M Wicked Chili.



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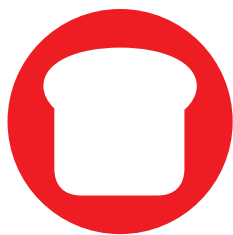
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