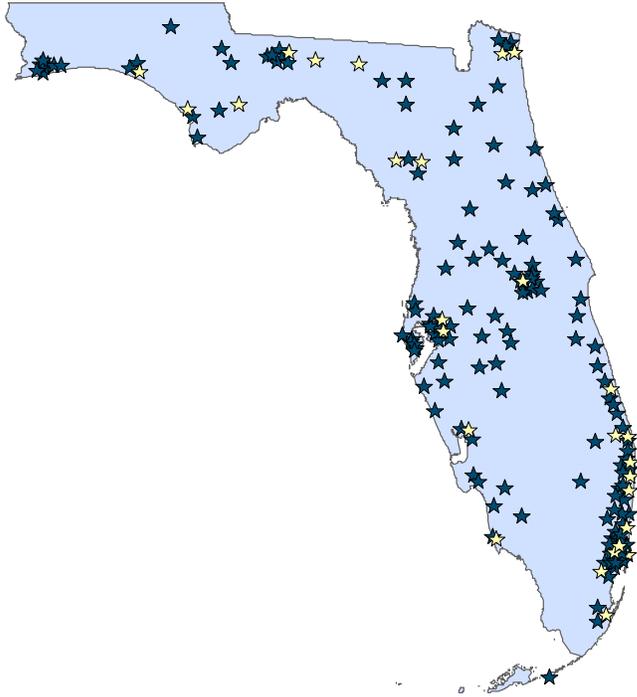


FLORIDA

FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY INITIATIVE ACTIVITIES



FEDERAL GRANT AWARDS TO FLORIDA FAITH-BASED AND COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS (2007):

- ★ Over \$508 million through 666 Federal grant awards
- ★ \$372,259,679 to secular nonprofits
- ★ \$135,803,707 to faith-based organizations

INCLUDED IN FEDERAL GRANTS TO FLORIDA ARE AWARDS TO FUND PRESIDENTIAL INITIATIVES:

- ★ Compassion Capital Fund (2002-2007): \$6.1 million to nonprofits in 32 Florida cities.
- ★ Access to Recovery (2004-2006): \$20.4 million over 3 years to Florida nonprofits.
- ★ Mentoring Children of Prisoners (2003-2007): \$13 million to nonprofits in 11 Florida cities.
- ★ Prisoner Reentry Initiative (2005-2007): \$2.1 million to nonprofits in 2 Florida cities.

FLORIDA HIGHLIGHTS

Florida's Faith-Based and Community Initiatives Office was established in December 2002 and was codified under the Florida legislature in April 2006. The Office operates as part of the Volunteer Florida Foundation (VFF), which supports the Governor's Commission on Volunteerism.

VFF administers the Florida Disaster Fund distributing \$24 million to more than 300 faith-based and community organizations and engaging thousands of volunteers working on long-term recovery efforts throughout the State. As part of this effort, VFF has launched an innovative internet-based virtual warehouse called Neighbors to the Rescue to help volunteers connect people in need with donated goods.

The Foundation recently launched Compassion Florida with a Federal Compassion Capital Fund Demonstration Grant. The Foundation is partnering with the Florida Institute of Government to provide training, technical assistance, and mini-grants to grassroots groups who help Florida's neighbors in need.

In 2006, 2.62 million Florida volunteers dedicated 432.8 million hours of service, according to the Corporation for National and Community Service *Volunteering in America 2007* report.