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Two Opportunities to Give in February at Pasco Tax Collector's Office

Tax Collector Mike Fasano announces that the five tax offices in Pasco County will be promoting one of two charities that customers are invited to support during the month of February. The two charities primarily limit their services to either the east side or the west side of the county. The two organizations are **Restored Hope** and **Pack-a-Sack** for Kids – One Community Now's 2017 Hunger Walk. Restored Hope is a non-profit organization that is based in Dade City and serves residents of East Pasco, in particular those who are homeless, on the verge of being homeless or are otherwise in need of immediate help. The tax collector offices in Dade City, Wesley Chapel and Land O' Lakes will be collecting donations for **Restored Hope**. The tax collector offices in New Port Richey and Gulf Harbors will be collecting for the West Pasco-based charity **Pack-a-Sack for Kids - One Community Now's 2017 Hunger Walk**. Funds raised through this program provide food for hungry school-aged children on weekends and during school holidays.

"I urge customers to drop their spare change in our collection jars or make a larger donation when they stop by our office in February," encourages **Tax Collector Mike Fasano**. "Both **Restored Hope** and **Pack-a-Sack for Kids – 2017 Hunger Walk** are respected 'where the rubber meets the road' type of organizations. They meet people's needs in a practical way. The funds they collect stay here in Pasco and serve those who could very well be our friends and neighbors. Please consider stopping by any of our five offices to donate to one of these fine organizations."

For more information about **Restored Hope** please contact **Penny Morrill, Community Outreach Coordinator** by phone at 352-437-4815, by e-mail at penny@restoredhopefl.org or visit www.http://restoredhopefl.org For more details about **Pack-a-Sack for Kids** please contact **Patti Templeton, Board Chair** by phone at 727-375-8801x2232, by e-mail at patti.templeton@generationscc.com or visit http://www.onecommunitynow.com/ To learn more about the charitable giving program at the Pasco County Tax Collector's Office please contact **Greg Giordano, Assistant Tax Collector** by phone at 727-847-8179, by e-mail at ggiordano@pascotaxes.com or visit www.pascotaxes.com

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