



## Dorothy Day Tampa – in development – 2023

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Servant of God Dorothy Day

Vision - “Make the kind of society where it is easier to be good.” – Peter Maurin  
Mission - Recruit and train volunteers in a Catholic Worker tradition, who recognize the dignity of each person, to provide relief, hospitality, and housing assistance to homeless men and women within the Tampa area.

Core Values - “The Sermon on the Mount is our Christian manifesto” – Dorothy Day  
Ministry Overview: <https://www.dorothydaytampa.org/>

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*“We must talk about poverty, because people insulated by their own comfort lose sight of it.”* – Servant of God Dorothy Day

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**“Be still and know that I am God.” Ps 46:10**

**Announcing: effective 12/31/2023 Dorothy Day Tampa Hospitality House location - 6220 N Nebraska Ave. Suite C Tampa FL 33604**

In an agreement to share space with Gracepoint Wellness <https://www.gracepointwellness.live/>, starting in Q1 2024, we will help the Coffee Shop provide critical services – showers, laundry, mail collection, computer access, coffee, and community meals – as well as compassion and respite. Led entirely by volunteers, Dorothy Day Tampa aims to live out the radical hospitality of Catholic activist, Dorothy Day. Following Day’s example, they believe in the dignity and value of every person, regardless of life circumstances.

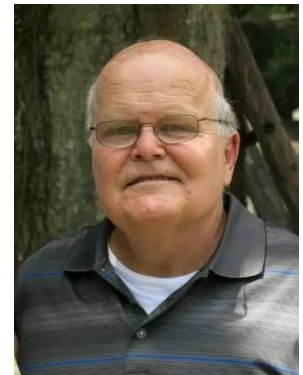
Most importantly, it will connect people to the resources they need to move forward, through partnerships with organizations like Gracepoint Wellness. On-site case management will link individuals to health services, job training, housing assistance, and more.

After forming just last year, Dorothy Day Tampa’s dedicated Development Board has assembled a functioning nonprofit organization, gained IRS 501(c)3 status, built a web presence, created a homeless resources guide accessible by QR code, and began mobilizing volunteers. Now they’ve identified an ideal location for the Hospitality House, accessible to Tampa’s most vulnerable neighborhoods. Please visit our website – <https://www.dorothydaytampa.org/>

With your support, Dorothy Day Tampa can fund supplies, equipment, insurance, and renovations to open the Hospitality House by early 2024. Each contribution brings us closer to providing compassionate care and life-changing assistance. Dorothy Day Tampa needs partners like you to make this vision a reality. Their shoestring budget and all-volunteer team mean every dollar counts. Your gift today helps to provision for necessities listed in Missing Resources that follows.

Opening the Hospitality House is just the beginning. Dorothy Day Tampa’s ultimate vision is a comprehensive campus that prevents and ends homelessness through a continuum of programs and services. Please see the attached – Dorothy Day Tampa Development Stages. With your help, the Hospitality House will lay the foundation for this vision. Each life transformed there will radiate hope across our community.

Please consider lending your support to this effort today to care for our marginalized neighbors in need. Your compassion and generosity will uplift those who are hurting and isolated. Let’s come together to provide radical hospitality and uplift human dignity. With gratitude, Michael Doyle – co-founder



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### Dorothy Day Tampa Ministry Partners – Bikes from the Heart

*A bicycle represents a start in providing reliable transportation.*



Accessing or connecting with community resources can be an obstacle for many of our resource insecure Tampa neighbors struggling with poverty, especially those without reliable or affordable transportation. It may seem a simple thing, but a bicycle can help address this challenge, by providing that needed transportation, supporting their independence, and reconnecting them to their community's resources.

Sacred Heart's "Bikes from the Heart" ministry provides hope to these neighbors. They collect used bikes, refurbish them to working order, and deliver

them to those in need. Since beginning work in March 2023, Bikes from the Heart ministry, which rehabs old bikes to be distributed to those in need of transportation, has done just that. The ministry recently reached the milestone of 100 refurbished bicycles and will soon reach the same number distributed to neighbors needing this mobility lifeline.

The ministry cheerfully accepts bicycle donations and offers on-site repairs. If you have an unused bike(s) taking up space in your home or garage, consider giving them a second life. For more information about how you can support the ministry, contact Tim Eves 813 503 2991 or [timeves1234@gmail.com](mailto:timeves1234@gmail.com)

*"Behold, I make all things new."* | Revelation 21:5 – Bike's from the Heart motto.

### Dorothy Day Tampa - Missing resources:

#### Ministry opening location refresh:

- Outreach materials, website, and administrative costs (\$3,000)
- Office furniture and technology (\$5,000)
- Insurance, permits, and shelter renovations (\$7,000)
- Showers, laundry machines, and bathroom supplies improvements (\$5,000)
- Food, water, and kitchen equipment (\$3,000)

**WordPress Block Editor:** Volunteer or hourly wage, create blog posts for the Catholic Worker <https://catholicworker.org/>

**10 study group participants:** Forming 2024 six-week study group. <https://www.dorothydaytampa.org/get-engaged>

**Donations:** \$170 - ten study books; \$ - media services and website updates. <https://www.dorothydaytampa.org/support-us>

**Volunteers:** Six, interested in helping staff serve HPUM Open Arms Sunday guests – flex scheduling.

*"[T]he only solution is love and that love comes with community. It all happened while we sat there talking, and it is still going on."* – Dorothy Day, *The Long Loneliness*

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PS -We cannot do this without your support!

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