

2025 GRANT PROGRAM RECIPIENTS

TOTAL AWARDED \$183,500

- ARTCENTER MANATEE**
Art class scholarships
- AVENUE 941**
Establish paid internships for high school students
- BEDS FOR KIDS**
Materials to build and outfit 20 beds for Manatee County Children
- BIG BROTHERS, BIG SISTERS OF THE SUN COAST**
Chromebook computer and SAT Prep Book for 10 students
- BOYS AND GIRLS CLUBS OF MANATEE COUNTY**
Reading program materials to benefit 120 students
- CARE NET MANASOTA**
Crisis pregnancy center
- THE CENTER OF ANNA MARIA ISLAND**
Community Programming
- CENTERSTONE OF FLORIDA**
Therapeutic supplies and "room within a room" purchase and installation for evaluating and observing therapy sessions
- EARLY LEARNING COALITION OF MANATEE COUNTY**
Purchase of books for ReadingPals Program
- EASTERSEALS OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA**
Sensory kits
- FACE AUTISM**
Private dance lessons for disabled Manatee County students
- FEEDING EMPTY LITTLE TUMMIES, INC.**
Food for Manatee County's hungry children
- FOUNDATION FOR DREAMS**
Camperships for special needs children in Manatee County
- FREEDOM HOUSE**
Transitional Housing Program
- GUARDIAN ANGELS OF SOUTHWEST FLORIDA**
Entertainment activities for children in foster care
- THE HAVEN**
Therapy services for pre-school-aged children
- HEALTHY TEENS, INC.**
Education to promote healthy choices among the youth in Manatee County
- HOPE FAMILY SERVICES, INC.**
Food for Hope's shelter to encourage healthy food preparation by adults for children
- MANASOTA SOLVE**
Purchase of 15 Safety 1st Travel Systems for its maternity program
- MANATEE CHILDREN'S SERVICES**
Fund food for child victims of abuse residing in the MCS Emergency Shelter
- MEALS ON WHEELS PLUS OF MANATEE, INC.**
Shelf stable food to prepare at home
- PARENTING MATTERS**
Supplies for Musical Motion program for at-risk families
- SARASOTA ORCHESTRA**
Need-based scholarships for Manatee County students
- STILLPOINT MISSION, INC.**
Diapers and baby wipes for disadvantaged
- THE TWIG CARES, INC.**
Clothes/shoes for Manatee County foster children
- THE MARK WANDALL FOUNDATION, INC.**
4 camp scholarships to attend 3-day bereavement camp
- TRULY VALUED EDUCATION FOR AT RISK YOUTH WORLD OF CHUCKO**
Arts and Education Programs
- YOUNG LIFE OF MANATEE COUNTY**
Food for program participants



Dear Business and Community Leaders,

Thank you for your interest in becoming a sponsor for Service Club of Manatee's Gala, **"For the Love of Children."** We are honored for the generous support in the past from the leaders of our community, both public and private. Without your contributions, it would not be possible for us to provide grants to nonprofit programs to make the lives of our children in need better.

We would be honored to have you partner with us for our 2026 Gala, which will be held in-person on March 14, 2026, at the Manatee County Fairgrounds Veterans Hall. The Gala theme, **"Boots and Bling,"** is inspired by the location of our event. Highlighting the Gala will be our best-in-town silent and live auctions, dance music, our Mission Moment presentation, chances to win premium wine, jewelry and other fine items, and a lively auction conducted by our auctioneer.

Service Club of Manatee County presented its Gala, **"For the Love of Children,"** on March 15, 2025, and in May distributed \$183,500 to 29 nonprofits to benefit Manatee County youth in need of food, shelter, clothing, health services, or educational services. Each year, all proceeds from our Gala, our only fundraising event, benefit children's charities in Manatee County. A list of the 29 nonprofits that applied to us and received grant program funding in 2025 is included in this brochure.

As always, this is our only annual fundraiser. We hope that you will join us in making our event the best ever, enabling us to reach children with the essentials to make their lives better.

This brochure contains information on levels of sponsorship for our event and a contract for you to fill out. Take a minute to read "Why Donate to Service Club." Please consider partnering with Service Club for our 99th year of helping children in our county.

Thank you for your consideration and we look forward to hearing from you.

Sincerely,

Elizabeth Baillie

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Chair/Event Sponsorship Committee

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EVENT SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

SERVICE CLUB
SUPPORTS CHILDREN
WHO RESIDE IN
MANATEE COUNTY BY
RAISING AND
DISTRIBUTING FUNDING
FOR THE BENEFIT OF
THOSE WHO ARE
IN NEED OF FOOD,
SHELTER, CLOTHING,
HEALTH SERVICES, OR
EDUCATIONAL SERVICES.

SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

	RUBY \$500	SAPPHIRE \$1,000	EMERALD \$2,500	DIAMOND \$5,000	DOUBLE DIAMOND \$10,000
Complimentary Gala tickets	2	4	6	8	10
Social media recognition	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Recognition on manateeserviceclub.com	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Special acknowledgement at Gala	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Logo on save-the-date card				✓	✓

WHY DONATE TO SERVICE CLUB

WE DO OUR RESEARCH | We adhere to a strict vetting process for funding requests and conduct personal interviews at each organization. Funding requests for administrative needs are not considered. Furthermore, all returning grantees are required to provide receipts to support previous Service Club funding.

NO ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS | Our membership is comprised of 100% volunteers, including doctors, lawyers, teachers, financial advisors, account executives, business owners, retirees, artists, and community leaders who are passionate about making a difference in the lives of local children. All active members must reside in Manatee County.

THE CHILDREN OF TODAY ARE THE FUTURE OF TOMORROW | 100% of the grant funding we distribute must directly benefit children in Manatee County.

WE ARE WELL RESPECTED IN OUR COMMUNITY | This is our 99th year and we are the longest established women's service organization in our community. We have been chosen by the Manatee Chamber of Commerce as an award finalist for non-profit of the year twice: 2021 and 2022. Service Club is a Manatee Chamber of Commerce member.

WE ARE SUSTAINABLE | In January 2014, the Active Members unanimously voted to establish the creation of The Service Club of Manatee County Endowment Fund, which ensures that our grants given to the underprivileged children are held in perpetuity.

SPONSOR AGREEMENT

FOR THE LOVE OF CHILDREN GALA
MARCH 14, 2026

EVENT SPONSORSHIP

We are proud to indicate our commitment to support Service Club with an Event Sponsorship and will provide tax deductible funding and a digital copy of our logo by December 15, 2025.

___ **Double Diamond** \$10,000+

___ **Diamond** \$5,000+

___ **Emerald** \$2,500+

___ **Sapphire** \$1,000+

___ **Ruby** \$500+

___ **Donor** I wish to support Service Club's mission through my donation of \$ _____

Individual or Representative (name and title) _____

Company _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Ext _____

Email _____

___ Please check here if you would like to be issued an invoice.

If you wish to pay with PayPal, go to manateeserviceclub.com

INFORMATION

Please make checks payable to **SERVICE CLUB OF MANATEE COUNTY** and return with this completed form to:
Event Sponsorship Committee
P.O. Box 15435, Bradenton, FL 34280-5435

Please contact Elizabeth Baillie at 207-329-6122 or eventsponsorshipserviceclub@gmail.com with any questions.

Please email your logo and website information to eventsponsorshipserviceclub@gmail.com by December 15, 2025.

