Learning Series for Community Leaders

Rural Health and Initiatives: Faith Without Works

“Supporting the vision of strong communities”
Today’s Presentors

Carrie Davis
President and CEO
Wealth Watchers Inc.

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Farm Share

Rev. Rachel Hill
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Grace Mission Church
Who Are We?

Wealth Watchers Inc.
Program Administrator
Carrie Davis | President & CEO

With over two decades of experience in affordable housing, Carrie has previously managed a multi-million-dollar owner-occupied rehab program benefiting over 200 homeowners annually.
About Wealth Watchers Inc.

Wealth Watchers Inc. is a non-profit organization that holds a HUD Certified Housing Counseling and Community Development designation. Our mission centers on the development of sustainable communities by enriching the knowledge and financial acumen of individuals, families, and communities. This is geared towards facilitating the understanding and application of essential financial strategies that result in the accumulation of generational wealth.

Established as a 501(C)(3) organization, our core belief revolves around the fundamental principle that quality, safe, and accessible housing is a fundamental right for all individuals.

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Wealth Watchers Inc. Timeline

2017
Initially met with the Mayor and other city officials to discuss housing strategies.

2018
Organized a series of outreach events throughout Putnam County to assist homeowners with applying for disaster recovery assistance and case management support.

2019
Worked with the former Mayor to identify a targeted area for an owner-occupied housing rehabilitation program.

2020
Received funding from USDA for owner-occupied housing preservation program.

2021
Compiled a list of homeowners who expressed a need for home repairs and completed home inspections.

2021
Carrie Davis, President & CEO of Wealth Watchers Inc., was a contributing author in the Federal Reserve Publication *Investing in Rural Prosperity*, which highlighted Wealth Watchers' work in Palatka.

2021-2022
Carrie Davis made several presentations to the city commissioners advocating for owner-occupied housing rehabilitation.

2023
Provided owner-occupied rehabilitation services to eight homeowners in the City of Palatka and surrounding areas.
Farm Share, Inc.
No person goes hungry
No food goes to waste
About Farm Share

Founded for and by Floridians, Farm Share is Florida’s homegrown food bank.

Farm Share has been serving those fighting food insecurity since 1991 with the simple but innovative idea to recover crops from Florida farmers to distribute fresh and nutritious food to Floridians in need.
With facilities across the state of Florida, Farm Share is capable of collecting and redistribute food and supplies to those in need across the state.

Your food will be in the home of those in need 24-48 hours from scheduled pick-up time.

Farm Share currently serves all 67 counties in Florida by working with our network of agencies and food pantries to reach identified communities in need.
Quick Facts about Farm Share

Since its inception, Farm Share has distributed more than 990 million pounds of food that produced 825 million meals for Florida’s hard-working families.

In 2023 alone, Farm Share distributed more than 93 million pounds of food and served more than 77 million meals to Floridians.

30% or more of our food donations are fresh fruits and vegetables in order to provide a balanced and nutritious donation to those in need due to the donations that come in from Florida farms.
Here at Farm Share, we have a 24–48-hour policy to pick up the donated food and get it to homes of those in need within that time frame.

We have the resources to send a refrigerated Box truck or Semi-Truck to your facility for pick up anywhere in the State of Florida.

You will receive a donation receipt for your wonderful donation that you have provided to us.
Host an event for your community!

By hosting a food distribution at your location - This is an opportunity to make a huge difference locally. Your company will be able to join Farm Share as the sponsor of an event that will make a true difference in a community.

Our Farm Share Food Distributions feed anywhere from 500 to 1,000 families at a time.

- Cost of events range from $5,000 (500 Households) to $10,000 (1,000 Households)
- We will share volunteer opportunities for your staff. We love when they wear your T-shirts to show your commitment!
- We will help share your event to the community and your customers including:
  - Social Media (Collaborative Posts)
  - Flyers
  - Press Release
Hurricane Preparedness & Response

• Farm Share has strategically positioned our warehouses to ensure a prompt response statewide for any occasion necessary

• Farm Share operates a fleet of 55 vehicles (both box truck & semi) to feed Floridians

• We work alongside the Emergency Operation Center and local elected officials to preposition our trucks 24-48hrs before impact to respond immediately following the storm

• 2023-2024 Hurricane Idalia Collaborative Response: Collectively, we distributed more than 25 semi-truck loads of life sustaining food, water and disaster relief supplies within the first 10 days after the storm made landfall. Many of those trucks arrived within the first 24-48 hours.
Farm Share Donor Partners Benefit From

- Tax Deductions from Food Donations*
- Scheduled Pick-ups of Donations Made to Farm Share
- Reduction of Lost of Revenue Due to the Lowering of Waste
- Participation in Feeding Floridians in Need (3.6 Million)
- Advertisement on Website and Social Media Platforms
- Political Relationship Opportunities

*Farm Share, Inc. is a not-for-profit organization, classified as tax-exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions may be deductible to the extent permitted by applicable laws. Please consult your attorney or tax advisor for details.
To Dump or Donate?

There are several ways to benefit from donating surplus goods to Farm Share:

1. No loss of revenue from costs of dumping, culling and labor for dumping.

2. Receive a tax deduction from the donation that will increase revenue instead of reporting a loss.

3. During Natural Disasters, we will pick up the undamaged crops and you will now receive a tax deduction PLUS insurance benefits from loss of crops due to the Natural Disaster.

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Possible tax deductions* available to our donor partners:

A donor of food to Farm Share can at times deduct up to 200% of the “Cost of Goods Sold” related to the food donation.

This possible tax deduction can be carried over for a period of 5 years in case the donation was made in a “Non-Profitable” year,

For those who use “Cash Basis Accounting”, you can estimate the “Cost of Goods Sold” to be 25% of the fair market value of the donated food.

*We ask that you talk to your tax attorney for further details on possible deductions for donations made to Farm Share.

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