

Journey For Good Foundation Celebrates Inaugural Grant Cycle, Awarding \$500,000 to Organizations Fighting Root Causes of Poverty

501(c)(3) awards grants to 26 charitable organizations across the U.S., from Atlanta to Honolulu

BETHESDA, Maryland (July 23, 2024) – <u>Journey For Good Foundation</u>, a 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to fight poverty in the local community with food, shelter, education, and workforce development, announced today its inaugural grant cycle since its formation in April 2024, awarding \$500,000 to 26 charitable organizations across the U.S.

"As the charitable arm of Avolta in North America, Journey For Good Foundation is uniquely positioned to generate positive impacts through travel retail and food and beverage by giving back to the communities in which we operate," said Journey For Good Foundation President Paul Mamalian. "Every day, our team members help to combat the root causes of poverty at the local level through food donations, composting, and other sustainability efforts, volunteerism, and educational outreach, among many other initiatives. In such a short time since launching Journey For Good Foundation, we have seen the positive impact that the collective efforts of HMSHost, Hudson, and Dufry can make. We also recognize that poverty is an issue too big for one person, team, or organization to solve alone, and so we look forward to continuing to work with our partners and identify new partners to help us on our mission."

Through sustainable and scalable community-led solutions, and in cooperation with local agencies and organizations already making a difference, Journey For Good Foundation endeavors to:

- Relieve hunger and promote nutritional wellness through food-related initiatives;
- Combat homelessness through access to safe housing, furnishings, clothing, and stable employment;
- Encourage the next generation through access to education and training;
- Provide opportunity for financial stability through hospitality industry training and placement;
- Honor our veterans and their families by supporting programs that meet their needs for food, shelter, medical care, and job training and placement.

Donations to fuel Journey For Good Foundation's grants came from passengers shopping at dining venues, travel convenience, specialty retail, and duty-free stores operated by Avolta brands HMSHost, Hudson, and Dufry in the U.S. At participating locations, travelers can voluntarily round up their purchases to the nearest dollar and donate that change to fighting poverty.

"We launched Journey For Good Foundation's fundraising efforts in April and are thrilled to already be able to make an impact on this scale in the communities we serve," said Jordan Silverman, Director, Journey For Good Foundation. "I want to thank the tens of thousands of travelers who donated for their generosity and commitment to this mission. Your support helps

us to bring awareness to the causes of poverty and make a difference in the lives of our neighbors in need."

Journey For Good Foundation previously operated as HMSHost Foundation. Journey For Good Foundation will build upon this legacy by continuing to fund mission-aligned organizations that feed and shelter the homeless, educate children, and supply them with the resources needed to succeed, train and coach unemployed adults, provide homes and other critical services for veterans, and supply food banks.

Below is a list of organizations included in this inaugural giving cycle:

412 Food Rescue Pittsburgh, PA A Wider Circle Silver Spring, MD Code Platoon Chicago, IL Community Culinary School of Charlotte Charlotte, NC Faith-Hope-Love Charity, Inc. Palm Beach, FL Feeding Tampa Bay Tampa, FL Friends of the Library of Hawaii Honolulu, HI Gotham Food Pantry New York, NY Hands On Nashville Nashville, TN Hit The Books New York, NY **Hoodies 4 Healing** Houston, TX Hope and a Home Washington, DC Illinois Restaurant Association Educational Foundation Chicago, IL Las Vegas, NV Kline Veterans Fund New England Culinary Arts Training Boston, MA National Restaurant Association Educational Foundation Washington, DC Orlando Union Rescue Mission Orlando, FL Our House Inc. Little Rock, AR Peace4Kids Compton, CA Rags of Honor Chicago, IL So All May Eat (SAME) Café Denver, CO Second Helpings Atlanta Atlanta, GA Shoes That Fit Los Angeles, CA The Homeless Coalition of Palm Beach County Palm Beach, FL The Lamb Center Fairfax, VA **Uplift Northwest** Seattle, WA

About Journey For Good Foundation

Journey For Good Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to fight poverty in the local community with food, shelter, education, and workforce development. Prior to 2024, Journey For Good Foundation, Inc. operated as HMSHost Foundation, Inc. Journey For Good Foundation is a charitable arm of Avolta in North America and was established to unite and build upon HMSHost Foundation, Hudson, and Dufry's charitable giving efforts. Charitable work carried out by Journey For Good Foundation is done based on pillars of giving:

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- Combat homelessness through access to safe housing, furnishings, clothing, and stable employment;
- Encourage the next generation through access to education and training;

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- Honor our veterans and their families by supporting programs that meet their needs for food, shelter, medical care, and job training and placement.

Visit journeyforgood.org for more information.

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