



**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB
OF TAMPA BAY**

PRESS RELEASE

Where Love Grows Foundation Brings Food to the Table with Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay

January 15, 2013, Zonta Boys & Girls Club, 1114 West Sligh Avenue, Tampa, FL 33604: Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay has partnered with Where Love Grows Foundation and Tasty Stacy's Food Truck to host a pilot meal program at the Zonta Club on Tuesday, January 15th from 4:30 pm – 6:00 pm.

Where Love Grows Foundation focuses on uniting communities and families; bringing them to the dinner table to share and inspire. They have partnered with Boys & Girls Clubs to host a Victoria's Good Table event that would engage local eateries and food trucks vendors to supply hot meals for Club Members. Youth will have the opportunity to sit down with community partners, staff and Board Members to discuss their daily activities at the Club, ideas on how to improve programs and facilities, and what the Club means to them.

“So many of our youth don't know what it feels like to sit down and enjoy a nourishing meal with people that care about them,” says Ricky Gallon, Community Relations Director for Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay. “Most of them have never experienced an adult asking them how they feel about certain things or what ideas they have. This program not only provides our Club Members with a hot meal but also encourages their social skills.”

Based on the success of the kickoff event, Victoria's Good Table could become a monthly event hosted at the Zonta Club.

About Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay

Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay has been a positive force in the community for 85 years; enabling young people to become productive, responsible and caring citizens through structured programming, safe learning environments and dedicated staff. With a focus on three core priority outcomes – Academic Success, Healthy Lifestyles, and Improving Character & Leadership, Boys & Girls Clubs of Tampa Bay provides opportunities to build new skills that raise each Club Member's belief that he or she can succeed and receive recognition for personal, social and academic accomplishments.

About Where Love Grows and Victoria's Good Table

Where Love Grows Foundation looks for opportunities to strengthen the “family bond” and try and help these experiences leave positive life impressions. We welcome the opportunity as conduit to the community and memorable experiences.

Victoria's Good Table looks to bring victory to the community, supporting family and friends. Through our “pay-what-you-can” eatery program, we encourage gatherings around the table, enjoying a good meal, taking time from busy or overwhelming schedules to reconnect, share the day and maybe even learn something new about one another. We will partner with local eateries who believe in gathering around the table, providing a healthy and enjoyable experience for all involved. Our program is open to the entire community to enjoy, relax, refresh and recharge. We look forward to you visiting one of our eatery partners so you too can enjoy victory around your table.

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