

## PCA Atlanta Partners With Hosea Helps

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Since its founding in 1971, Hosea Helps (previously Hosea Feed the Hungry & Homeless, Inc.) has been serving people in need throughout southern Georgia and around the world. They have distributed more than \$3 billion in food, clothing, medical supplies, educational materials, toiletries, cleaning supplies and more.

Employees at PCA's plant in Atlanta have been proud partners with Hosea Helps for almost 20 years.

Fred Folson, the plant's Controller, has personally volunteered for Hosea Helps since 2002. He packs food and serves meals at holidays, assists with fundraising, collects donated food and clothing items, and volunteers at community outreach programs. According to Folson: "I mostly give time at the various Hosea Helps community events. I have attended events where they feed first responders and the homeless. They gather donations for those in need, and volunteers help sort, pack and distribute those items. They are very active in the Atlanta community, and they are just great people."

PCA Atlanta's General Manager, Earl Kropp, began the plant's relationship with Hosea Helps in 2013 by donating boxes during the holidays. The following year, PCA began to regularly support the organization both financially and by donating boxes for special charity programs that help the homeless and less fortunate.

Jean Carroll, the plant's Customer Service Manager, started volunteering her time with Hosea Helps in 2013. She is a meal server at Hosea's yearly Thanksgiving dinner "to give back to our community and help the ones in need." Carroll assisted in the latest box donation to Hosea's COVID-19-related charity event, identifying right-size cartons and coordinating a printing plate donation so the boxes could be produced with the Hosea Helps logo.

To learn more about Hosea and how you can help, please visit their website at <https://4hosea.org>.



Fred Folson (right) and a Hosea Helps staff member with a pallet of PCA boxes ready to be used at a Hosea event for COVID-19 relief.