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Baptist Health Care, Construction Project Partners and Other Local Companies Help Keep Pensacola Beautiful with Clean Your Block Event

PENSACOLA, Fla. (March 31, 2021) – More than 100 volunteers from Baptist Health Care, Brasfield & Gorrie, Smith Seckman Reid (SSR), Gresham Smith, Meadows & Ohly, Cox Communications, Innisfree Hotels, Water Pig BBQ and Something Old Salvage spent Saturday morning cleaning up the grounds of Dixon School of Arts & Sciences and the surrounding community as part of Clean Your Block, a special Keep Pensacola Beautiful event.

In addition to removing brush, litter and discards, volunteers replaced the fence around the school with materials donated by A-1 Hurricane Fence.

An important part of the effort was the distribution of 10,000 pounds of food via school bus deliveries throughout the neighborhood. Other activities included a virtual “Parent University” program that provided education on a variety of parenting topics, from family nutrition to preparing kids for kindergarten and using technology at home. Through this program, parents gain confidence and become more engaged in their children's academic programs and the larger community.

Also during the event, Baptist Health Care teams made door-to-door health resource visits throughout the neighborhood. Residents completed a health assessment that included questions about such social determinants of health as education, transportation availability and safety. Those needing assistance were provided resources for food, blood pressure monitors, diabetes management supplies and prescription assistance.

Clean Your Block serves as a kick-off event for the combined participation to actively be a part of ensuring Escambia County is a well-kept and pleasant place to live, work and play. Such improvement projects provide the opportunity to meet neighbors, build civic pride, reduce stress and foster healthier mental and physical well-being in the community.

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About Baptist Health Care

Baptist Health Care is a community-owned, not-for-profit health care organization based in northwest Florida that is committed to helping people throughout life's journey. The organization is a proud member of the Mayo Clinic Care Network. A 2003 Malcolm Baldrige recipient, Baptist continuously strives to be a national leader in quality and service. Baptist Health

Care includes three hospitals, four medical parks, Andrews Institute for Orthopaedic & Sports Medicine, Lakeview Center and a large network of primary care and specialty physicians. With more than 7,300 employees and employed physicians, Baptist Health Care is the second largest non-governmental employer in northwest Florida.

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