

Thousands Seek Safety at Halloween Village Trick-or-Treat Trail in Downtown Clearwater

Concerned families avoid unsafe and inappropriate celebrations.

CLEARWATER, FLORIDA, USA, November 5, 2021 /EINPresswire.com/ -- On October 31 over 1,000 Tampa Bay residents flocked to Clearwater for a safe Halloween Village Trick-or-Treat Trail. The family-friendly Halloween experience, sponsored by the Church of Scientology, covered two city blocks in eight community centers on Fort Harrison Avenue in Downtown Clearwater. The centers include the Florida headquarters for international humanitarian outreach programs in anti-drug education, human rights, disaster response and more.



On October 31, the Church-sponsored humanitarian centers on Fort Harrison Avenue held a Halloween Trick-or-Treat Village for the community for over 1,000 residents.

When the event began at 6 p.m. gargoyles, ghosts, aliens, superheroes, dinosaurs and mythical creatures had already swarmed the block thirty minutes earlier. "We were looking for events

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Pat Harney, Church of Scientology Flag Service Organization nearby and our neighbor told us about the Trick-or-Treat Trail that was happening," said Clearwater resident Anthony Mitchell. "Our neighborhood isn't the safest so it was very nice to come here and not have to worry about any of that for our child."

"This was our first time really going outside with this many people since the start of the pandemic," said Meenakshi Sundaram from Tampa. "We really enjoyed this

experience."

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While filling their pillow cases and jack-o-lantern baskets to the brim with candy, over 300 children and families also signed the pledge to live drug-free for life at the <u>Foundation for a</u>

Drug-Free World center and parents learned about their parental rights at the <u>Citizens Commission on Human</u> <u>Rights Florida</u> center. Each center had kid-friendly activities such as scavenger hunts, ring toss and arts and crafts.

"A safe environment is the best environment for our community," said Pat Harney, public relations director for the Church of Scientology in Clearwater, which sponsored the event. "We are very happy that everyone who visited enjoyed the event and we are already preparing for a great holiday season for children and families in our community."

About the Church of Scientology:

The Scientology religion was founded by humanitarian and philosopher, L. Ron Hubbard. The first Church of Scientology was formed in the United States in 1954 and has expanded to more than 11,000 churches, missions and affiliated groups, with millions of members in 165 nations. Scientologists are optimistic about life and believe there is hope for a saner world and better civilization, and actively do all they can to help achieve this. The Church of Scientology regularly



Residents flooded the two blocks of Fort Harrison Avenue thirty minutes before the event began at 6 p.m.



Hundreds of guests played the popular the scavenger hunt game inside the Scientology Volunteer Ministers of Florida's center on Halloween night.

engages in many humanitarian programs, such as anti-drug campaigns, human rights campaigns and global education programs. To learn more, visit <u>www.scientology.org</u>.

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Over 300 parents that brought their children to the event were educated on their parental rights in the Citizens Commission on Human Rights Florida's center.

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