

Hospice Myth #4

MYTH: Hospice means I'm going to die soon.

TRUTH: Studies show exactly the opposite. According to the National Hospice and Palliative Care Organization (NHPCO) website patients who chose hospice care lived an average of one month longer than similar patients who did not choose hospice care.

“Researchers cited several factors that may have contributed to longer life among patients who chose hospice. First, patients who are already in a weakened condition avoid the risks of over-treatment when they make the decision to receive hospice care. Second, hospice care may improve the monitoring and treatment patients receive. Additionally, hospice provides in-home care from an interdisciplinary team focused on the emotional needs, spiritual well-being, and physical health of the patient. Support and training for family caregivers is provided as well. This may increase the patient’s desire to continue living and may make them feel less of a burden to family members.”

Although hospice care neither hastens death nor prolongs life, many hospice patients actually live longer (and better) than those who don’t choose hospice care.

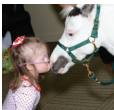
Financials and Community Outreach	
Statistics	Number
Upgrades and Renovations to 3 Inpatient Units including • In-wall Oxygen and Suction • Nurse Call System • Flooring • Furniture and Upgraded Décor	\$318,793
Charity Care	\$367,163
352 Businesses, Organizations, and Community Groups donated	\$258,657
14 Grants provided	\$225,931
23 Legacy Circle Members contributed through their planned gift and estate plans	\$7,700,000
Households educated about Treasure Coast Hospice through Impact Newsletters	32,000

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LAST FISCAL YEAR TREASURE COAST HOSPICE SUPPORTED ENOUGH ADULTS AND CHILDREN IN MARTIN AND ST. LUCIE COUNTY TO ALMOST FILL THIS STADIUM

HOSPICE PATIENTS: 3,130

Inpatient Unit Hospice Patients: **1,368**
Overall Clinical Visits: **115,988**
Children receiving Hospice or Palliative Care: **34**



HOME TEAM
AWAY TEAM
4,445 DONORS DONATED
A TOTAL OF:
\$9,800,000



GRIEF SUPPORT CLIENTS: 3,629

Counseling Sessions: **2,134**
Camp Good Grief Campers: **40**
Camp Volunteers: **31**
Crisis Response Clients: **323**
Interactions: **5,450**



TREASURED PETS

Volunteers: **13**
Dogs & Cats: **149**
Support Activities: **866**
Pets adopted to homes: **17**



THE HARPER FUND

\$10,000
Provided over 350 meals, housing & utilities, and special wishes to financially insecure patients.



VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers: **362**
Veteran Pinning Ceremonies: **348**
Volunteer Hours: **40,000+**

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Image of Clover Park courtesy of the New York Mets. Located in Port St. Lucie, Clover Park is the spring training home of the New York Mets and stadium for the St. Lucie Mets Minor League Team.