

# Giving Back

## TO THE HARDEE COMMUNITY

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Cutting Edge Ministries (CEM) food center was started and is run by Pastor Wendell Smith with the sole mission to “Help Feed the Hungry.” They are a ministry center where about 300+ families come every week to receive meat, dairy, and fresh produce from around Central Florida. These are people from every walk of life, whether they are senior citizens, single moms, low income families, minorities, or upper class. Pastor Smith tells us that “everyone goes through difficult times and is in need of assistance. That’s why we exist to Feed the Hungry and help in those difficult times because even though they might get a box of groceries this week, it will not last them forever.” That’s why the ministry continues to exist, because there are still people in their community who are struggling and in need of assistance. ►