

HELPING HANDS SOUTH FLORIDA

South Florida is home to many events, businesses, and organizations committed to charitable and empowering efforts.

1. Boca West Children's Foundation: During the 2023-2024 fiscal year, Boca West Children's Foundation has made a significant impact, providing over \$1.7 million in funds and gifts to local children's charities. As the season comes to a close, the foundation's 30 plus charity partners have been awarded grants to support various projects, including but not limited to, supplying cribs and diapers, supporting early childhood education, providing after-school care, offering tutoring services, and funding counseling programs, all of which have positively influenced our community.



Boca West Children's Foundation - Arthur Adler, Christina Irving, Pam Weinroth, Richard Zenker

2. Broward Health Ball: The 11th edition of the Broward Health Ball was a testament to the power of community and philanthropy. Held at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Hollywood, the event drew over 1,100 community and philanthropic leaders who united to show their support for Broward Health. The 'Starry Night' affair was a resounding success, raising \$1.4 million to improve patient care and services at Broward Health. The event was hosted by WSVN reporter Alex Miranda, further highlighting the collective effort that made this event a success.



Broward Health Ball -Commissioner Paul Tanner, Alexis Yarbrough, Jodi Tanner and Shane Strum

3. YMCA of South Florida: During an event at the Greater Hollywood YMCA Family Center pool, the YMCA of South Florida was awarded a \$150,000 grant from POOLCORP. In attendance were Sheryl A. Woods, president and CEO of YMCA of South Florida, COO Tara Montenaro, Jennifer M. Neil, Senior Vice President and Chief Legal Officer of POOLCORP, Christy Bloom, Corporate Finance Manager of POOLCORP, Manuel Perez de la Mesa, Vice-Chairman of POOLCORP's board, Hollywood Mayor Josh Levy and five Hollywood city commissioners.



YMCA of South Florida - Kyle Kamman, Sheryl A. Woods, Jennifer M. Neil, Gary Ciak, Christy Bloom, Manuel Perez de la Mesa, Josh Levy, Ana Perez de la Mesa, Tara Montenaro

4. Ann Storck Center: The 28th Annual Celebrity Chefs Event was hosted by the Ann Storck Center at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel & Casino Hollywood's Grand Ballroom. The event raised over \$250,000 to support the Center's mission of discovering ability and building independence for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, allowing them to live happier, more independent, fulfilling lives through its programs and services.



Ann Storck Center - Darren Perlmutter, Roz Perlmutter, Pat Murphy, Julie Guy

5. Boca Helping Hands: During this year's drive, Cereal4All, organized by twins Jett and Luke Justin, collected over 80,000 bowls of cereal and generously donated it to Boca Helping Hands. This donation will enable Boca Helping Hands to supply their clients with 8,007 boxes of cereal. The Justins, 16-year-old twin brothers from Boca Raton, are residents of the area and students at American Heritage School in Delray Beach.



Boca Helping Hands - Luke Justin and Jett Justin