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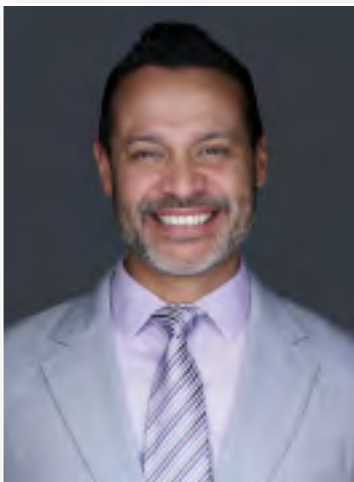
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Habitat for Humanity Completes 76-Home Development

Habitat for Humanity of Broward hosted a community celebration and ribbon-cutting ceremony on October 25 to commemorate the completion of "A Rick Case Habitat Community" and the dedication of Founders Park honoring Edmund Ansin, Rick Case and Bob Leider. The now completed 76-home development in Pompano Beach marks the accomplishment of Broward County's largest workforce housing neighborhood, home to more than 300 residents.

The event featured a fam-

ily-friendly Fall Festival and Trunk-or-Treat for homeowners and their children, along with remarks by community sponsors, city and county officials and Habitat for Humanity of Broward team members.

"A Rick Case Habitat Community" was made possible by Edmund Ansin of Sunbeam/WSVN Channel 7, and Rita and Rick Case of Rick Case Automotive Group who stepped forward with a leadership gift to name this historic new community and provided much of the

funding for the infrastructure.

The project, costing over \$20 million, was also made possible by Bob Leider, the Mary N. Porter Legacy Fund of the Community Foundation of Broward, the City of Pompano Beach, the Hudson Family Foundation, Burdette Beckmann, Inc., the Robert Taylor Family, the Wadsworth Family Foundation, the Elizabeth Peters Estate, the Frederick A. DeLuca Foundation, the Estate of Renate Wylie, the Robert L. Elmore Estate, JM Family Enterprises and other contributors and volunteers.



Left to right: **Rita Case, James L. Ansin, Andy Ansin, Ryan Case, Raquel Case**

Chefs Helping the Homeless Raises Critical Support for Broward Partnership



Presenting Sponsor BMW of Pembroke Pines, **Cindy and Ken Loiseau**

Broward Partnership hosted its annual Chefs Helping the Homeless fundraiser on Sept. 27, drawing top chefs, restaurants and community supporters to The Galleria at Fort Lauderdale for a night of fine dining with a purpose. Since launching in 2007, the event has raised more than \$1 million to support Broward Partnership's mission of helping individuals experiencing homelessness regain stability and secure housing.

The evening began with a cocktail reception and mission

moment from CEO Tom Ruthardt and event chair Jerry Gutierrez. Donors contributed more than \$50,000 during the program, including gifts from the Leo Goodwin Foundation and a \$10,000 challenge from Christopher and Julie Barnett. After the reception, guests were chauffeured to participating restaurants for multi-course meals prepared by top South Florida chefs.

Proceeds support Broward Partnership's comprehensive programs that provide shelter,

employment services and long-term housing support.

The event was presented by BMW of Pembroke Pines, with additional sponsors including the Leo Goodwin Foundation, FPL, the Sally Goldman Foundation, and Elite Home Staging.

Founded in 1997, Broward Partnership is the county's largest homeless services provider, working to promote independence and self-sufficiency for individuals and families in need.

Hundreds Join Life Chain to Pray for the Unborn in Broward County

More than 300 people representing over 20 churches gathered along University Drive on Sunday, October 5, for the annual Life Chain observance, a national pro-life event promoting prayer and peaceful witness for the unborn. Participants lined the roadway from Sample Road to Miramar Parkway between 2 and 3 p.m., holding signs with messages such as "Adoption, the Loving Option," "Abortion Hurts Women," and "Life: The First

Inalienable Right."

Abortion has taken more than 63 million lives in America since the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision by the U.S. Supreme Court. The Court overturned that decision in 2022; however, abortion remains legal in Florida through six weeks. According to Broward Right to Life, abortionists in Broward take the lives of about 500 pre-born babies each month.

Tewannah Aman, executive director of Broward Right to

Life, shared emotional interactions with passersby. One woman stopped to thank participants, saying her own abortion had been "devastating," while another expressed gratitude for her child and encouraged volunteers to continue their efforts.

A 40 Days for Life prayer campaign continues nationwide through November 2. For more information, visit browardrighttolife.org.



John and Tewannah Aman, Mike Cooley, Tom Walker, Patty, Kelly, Dick and Bonnie, St. John, and Lee and Joyce Zimmerman participate in Life Chain.