

# Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches Receives \$5 Million Bezos Day 1 Families Fund Grant

LAKE WORTH - Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches announced that it has been selected to receive a \$5 million grant from the Bezos Day 1 Families Fund—the largest grant in Adopt-A-Family’s history. Launched in 2018 by Amazon founder and executive chair Jeff Bezos, the Day 1 Families Fund issues annual leadership awards to organizations and civic groups doing compassionate, needle-moving work to provide shelter and hunger support to address the immediate needs of young families.

“We cannot thank the Day 1 Families Fund enough for providing our agency and county with a path to a reality where all

children have a safe place to sleep each night,” said Matt Constantine, CEO of Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches. “We are extremely grateful for this award and look forward to providing housing and hope to those who might not otherwise be served.”

This one-time grant will allow the Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches to significantly expand and enhance community efforts to end family homelessness in Palm Beach County through diversion, shelter and rapid re-housing initiatives. The magnitude of the grant will enable Adopt-A-Family to swiftly bring hundreds of unsheltered families with children to safety and a

stable housing solution.

Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches was selected as a Day 1 Families Fund grant recipient by an independent advisory board comprised of homelessness experts with experience in policy, advocacy, racial equity, child welfare and housing and service delivery, as well as firsthand experience in homelessness.

This year, the Day 1 Families Fund issued a total of \$96.2 million in grants to 32 organizations across the country. The 2021 Day 1 Families Fund grant recipients are: ACLAMO; Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches; Alabama Rural Coalition for the Homeless, Inc.; All Chicago

Making Homelessness History; AACI (Asian Americans for Community Involvement); Building Changes and Africatown International; Catholic Charities of the Diocese of Santa Rosa; Colorado Coalition for the Homeless; Covenant House Alaska; Destination: Home; Doorways; Family Life Center; Family Service League; Friends of the Family; Homeless Action Network of Detroit; Homeward; LifeMoves; Lubbock Open Door; Mesilla Valley Community of Hope; Mid-Maine Homeless Shelter & Services; Mississippi United to End Homelessness; Newcap, Inc.; Orange County Asian and Pacific Islander Commu-

nity Alliance (OCAPICA); Portland Homeless Family Solutions; Project Community Connections, Inc.; Rural Alaska Community Action Program (Rural CAP); Sacramento Steps Forward; SHELTER, Inc.; Texas Homeless Network; The Link; Tri-County Community Action Agency, Inc.; and Union Station Homeless Services.

The Bezos Day One Fund made a \$2 billion commitment to focus on making meaningful and lasting impacts in two areas: funding existing non-profits that help families experiencing homelessness, and creating a network of new, non-profit tier-one preschools in low-income communities.

The Day 1 Families Fund issues annual leadership awards to organizations and civic groups doing compassionate, needle-moving work to provide shelter and hunger support to address the immediate needs of young families. Since 2018, the Day 1 Families Fund has issued 130 grants totaling more than \$398 million to organizations around the country working to combat homelessness and help families gain housing support and stability. The vision statement comes from the inspiring Mary’s Place in Seattle: no child sleeps outside. For more information visit online at [www.BezosDayOneFund.org/Day1FamiliesFund](http://www.BezosDayOneFund.org/Day1FamiliesFund).

## PBC Brings Home Coveted Culture of Health Prize

WEST PALM BEACH — The American Heart Association’s Palm Beach County office has announced that Palm Beach County has received the distinguished Culture of Health Prize, awarded to just 10 winners across the country this year by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation.

The prize honors communities in the U.S. actively working to improve health and equity among their residents.

Projects that helped the county earn this recognition were supported by Palm Health Foundation, Children’s Services Council of Palm Beach County and Palm Beach County Youth Services Department, with the American Heart Associa-

tion as a key collaborative partner in many initiatives.

“This award is a testament to how hard the people of Palm Beach County are working to holistically improve the health of its residents, with the residents’ voices being heard and residents themselves leading the work,” said Sheree Wolliston, Vice President of Health Strategies for the American Heart Association’s Palm Beach office. “Projects such as the Healthier Together network from Palm Health Foundation as well as the Healthy Corner Store Initiative that United Way of Palm Beach spearheaded are making it easier for all of our residents to access healthy foods and lead

healthier lives.”

Palm Beach County will receive a \$25,000 prize and join a network of Prize-winning communities. The other nine winning communities are: Addison, Ill.; Alamosa County, Colo.; Chickaloon Native Village; Drew, Miss.; Howard County, Md.; National City, Calif.; Rocky Mount, N.C.; Thunder Valley Community—Oglala Lakota Nation (Oceti Sakowin Territory), and Worcester, Mass.

All 10 recipients were recognized in early November during a virtual RWJF Culture of Health Prize Celebration and Learning Event. Palm Beach County is the fourth community in Florida to receive this award.

Learn about the Prize-winning work underway in Palm Beach County through a collection of videos, written profiles, and photos at [www.rwjf.org/prize](http://www.rwjf.org/prize). Learn more about the American Heart Association’s projects in Palm Beach County at [www.heart.org/en/affiliates/florida/palm-beach-county](http://www.heart.org/en/affiliates/florida/palm-beach-county).

The American Heart Association Palm Beach County serves the residents of Palm Beach, Martin and St. Lucie counties. Volunteers and donors assist the organization in funding research efforts to reduce the incidences of heart disease and stroke, the first and fifth leading killers, respectively, of American men and women.

Legal Notice No. 39507

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING COMPREHENSIVE PLAN TEXT AMENDMENTS

The Town Council of the Town of Lake Clarke Shores shall conduct a public hearing on the following ordinance on second reading:

ORDINANCE NO. 2021-10

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE FOLLOWING AMENDMENTS TO THE TOWN OF LAKE CLARKE SHORES COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: (1) THE REVISION POLICY 3.10.1 TO THE LAND USE ELEMENT TO PROVIDE FOR IMPROVED TRANSITIONAL USES ON FOREST HILL BOULEVARD; AND (2) THE ADDITION OF COMPREHENSIVE PLAN ELEMENT 13 PROPERTY RIGHTS; PROVIDING FOR CONFLICTS, SEVERABILITY, CODIFICATION AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

The Town Council will conduct a public hearing on December 14, 2021 at 6:30 PM or as soon thereafter as this matter may be heard during the hybrid Town Council Meeting with a virtual attendance and limited attendance in the Council Chambers according to social distancing protocol. The public hearing shall be held at the Lake Clarke Shores Town Council Chambers, 1701 Barbados Road, Lake Clarke Shores, FL 33406. The Ordinance will also be posted on the Town Hall bulletin board. The public is invited to be heard before the Town Council.

All interested persons are invited to appear at the public hearing, which may be continued from time to time, and be heard with respect to this matter. Copies of Ordinance 2021-10 and its support documentation are on file for inspection by members of the public during normal business hours at the Town Clerk’s Office located at 1701 Barbados Road, Lake Clarke Shores, FL 33406.

Persons wishing to attend virtually may do so by registering at this link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2563046680875463948>. A registration confirmation email will provide instructions on how to join the hybrid meeting. You will have to download the GoToWebinar app if you join the meeting using a cellphone or tablet.

Public comments and questions will be handled as follows: If you attend in-person, you may ask a question prior to the vote regarding the ordinance. If you attend virtually, send an email with your full name, address and comment no later than 24 hours preceding the meeting to: [epearson@lakeclarke.org](mailto:epearson@lakeclarke.org). If timely received, the comment or question will be read prior to the vote. Comments and questions may also be submitted in writing or heard during the meeting.

If a person decides to appeal any decision made with respect to any matter considered at the subject public hearing, he or she will need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record shall include the testimony and evidence upon which an appeal is to be based (F.S. 286.0105). In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, any person who may require special accommodation to participate in this meeting should contact the Town Clerk’s Office at (561) 964-1515 at least 72 hours prior the Meeting date.

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