NEW TRUSTEES ADDED, GRANT FUNDING APPROVED, CEO BETH WALTON HONORED AT TOWN OF PALM BEACH UNITED WAY ANNUAL MEETING

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PALM BEACH, Fla. – The Board of Trustees of the Town of Palm Beach United Way celebrated a year of remarkable giving and honored CEO Beth Walton on May 6, 2021, at the organization’s Annual Meeting.

General Campaign Chairman Gail Coniglio reported that the campaign has raised $5.2 million to date on a goal of $4.6 million. The 2020-2021 campaign ends on June 30, 2021.

“It has been an amazing year,” Coniglio said. “Our Palm Beach community really stepped up when it mattered most. I give special thanks to our campaign chairmen who worked determinedly all year to bring in the funds we needed to support our nonprofit agencies and their clients.”

Campaign chairmen are Cara and Jared McClure (Islanders), Stephen Hall, Jr. (Business and Professional), Ann Heathwood (Red Feather) and Nicola and Jeff Marcus (Alexis de Tocqueville).

Beth Walton was honored for her 25 years of service to the Town of Palm Beach United Way and the community. Walton started at the island United Way in 1996 and has been CEO since 2009. Mayor Danielle Moore read a proclamation declaring May 6, 2021, “Beth Walton Day.” Walton also received a crystal to commemorate her 25-year anniversary.

“Beth is an exceptional leader and her impact on the Town of Palm Beach United Way and this community is immeasurable,” said Board Chairman Mary Freitas. “We thank her for all she’s done to improve the lives of the less fortunate and make our world a better place for all.”

The Board approved the Allocation Committee’s recommendations to invest a total of $3,575,850 into 79 programs at 42 local nonprofit agencies serving thousands of children and adults in Palm Beach County. Funding covers the period July 1, 2021 through June 30, 2022. Christina Dennis, Joyce Reingold and Louise Snyder co-chaired the Allocation Committee, which consisted of 83 community volunteers. (Report attached)

Jay Boodheshwar, chairman of the Nominating Committee, presented the committee’s recommendations for trustees for the Class of 2024. The board approved 8 new trustees and 13 returning trustees. The board currently consists of 76 members, each serving a 3-year term. New trustees are Kristen Kelly Fisher, Cynthia Friedman, Ellen Jaffe, Josephine Kalisman, Roberta Kozloff, Jeff Marcus, Felicia Taylor and Mark Zeidman. Marcus was also elected as a vice chairman.

Walton described a year of challenges, change and success for the Town of Palm Beach United Way, from COVID-19 relief efforts to collection drives to virtual meetings and events.

“Despite all of our challenges in the last year, we have raised over $5.2 million to date,” Walton said. “We are blown away by this dollar amount and inspired by the tremendous generosity of our community. We thank our hundreds of volunteers, donors and supporters who made it possible.”

For more information about the Town of Palm Beach United Way please call 561.655.1919 or visit www.palmbeachunitedway.org.

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