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Town of Palm Beach United Way celebrates successful campaign, thanks volunteers and supporters at 79th Annual Meeting at The Breakers

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Town of Palm Beach United Way board members, volunteers, donors, and community supporters celebrated a successful campaign year at the 79th Annual Meeting held Thursday, May 2, at The Breakers Palm Beach. **Marcia Andrews**, a volunteer mentor with United Way partner Take Stock in Children, received this year's Nettie Finkle Award for outstanding volunteerism and community service.

"It has been another fantastic year and it's only possible because of the phenomenal support we get from our local Palm Beach community," Board Chair **Bill Tiefel** said in front of a crowd of more than 150 supporters. "From businesses and civic groups to individuals and community leaders, we are fortunate to have a loyal donor base interested in making an impact in the community in which they live and work."

General Campaign Chair **Richard Rothschild** announced the Town of Palm Beach United Way has raised \$6,301,659 to date on a goal of \$6.5 million. The campaign ends June 30, 2024. Business and Professional Campaign Co-Chairs **Jay Clifford** and **Stacie Hallinan**, Red Feather Campaign Chair **Lisa Wilkinson**, and Alexis de Tocqueville Society Chair **Susan Wright** reported on the outcomes of their respective campaigns. The Tocqueville Campaign was co-chaired by **Bob Wright**, **Kimberly Goodwin** and **Josephine Kalisman**, and to date has raised 79% of the United Way's overall campaign total.

"I want to thank our amazing campaign chairs and their volunteer committees," Rothschild said. "Their incredible fundraising efforts make it possible for the United Way to award grants that serve our community."

Islanders Co-Chair **William Finck** reported on the yearly Turkey Trot race, which provided over 4,662 meals to clients at 24 nonprofit agencies in Palm Beach County. Assistant Fire Rescue Chief **Joe Sekula** reported on the United Way's collection drives, which raised over \$42,000 combined, and thousands of school supplies, toys and food for children and families in need.

Board Member **Carla Cove** presented the Town of Palm Beach United Way's grant allocations for the 2024-2025 season. Beginning July 1, the Town of Palm Beach United Way will be funding 68 programs at 37 nonprofit agencies in Palm Beach County that will in turn serve over 168,000 men, women and children. Cove also announced Habitat for Humanity Greater Palm Beach County was approved as a new Town of Palm Beach United Way partner agency, meaning the agency can apply for grant funding beginning next year. Cove served as co-chair of the Allocation Committee with **Suzanne Brenner** and **Diane McNeal**. The 130-member Allocation Committee dedicated 3 months and over 3,500 collective hours to the grant review process.

"Together our volunteers have 847 years of experience as members of the United Way's Allocation Committee," Cove said. "This devoted group does the hard work needed to ensure donations are invested efficiently and effectively into programs in Palm Beach County producing measurable outcomes that change lives and improve communities."

Mayor Danielle Moore announced Marcia Andrews as the recipient of the 2024 Nettie Finkle Award. Andrews has been a volunteer mentor with Take Stock in Children for 12 years, primarily mentoring young men and women who live in the communities of Belle Glade and Pahokee. She has 44 years of experience in education and has made a difference in the lives of countless students over the years.

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Board Chair Bill Tiefel reported 12 new members will be joining the Board of Trustees next season: **David Blue, Carrie Bradburn, Natalie Emerson, Gaye Engel, Liz Feuer, Nicki Harris, Fran Levy, Sara Maggio, Ed Pantzer, John Tatoes, Wendy Topkis, and Adolfo Zaralegui.** All will serve a 3-year term as members of the Class of 2027. Richard Rothschild was announced as new chairman of the board for the 2024-2025 season.

The Annual Meeting was underwritten by CIBC Private Wealth for the third consecutive year. Managing Director **Gina Sabean** spoke at the meeting on behalf of the company.

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