

In the Know

Your guide to noteworthy appointments, nominations and donations taking place within our community of nonprofit organizations

Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center

The Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center received \$200,000 from The Taft Foundation.

The money will be used to address the distinct health issues of

adolescents in the center's primary

care clinic. It will improve the quality of care for adolescents with special healthcare needs through enhanced care coordination, specialized adolescent services, and an adult healthcare transition-planning program.

Don Taft was a philanthropic leader who served as a member of the board of directors at Children's Diagnostic & Treatment Center from 2008 until his passing in 2011.



Kristen Ely, left, Dr. Ana Hernandez-Pug, Antonio and Alex Torres, Dr. Ana Calderon-Randazzo and Amanda Mitchell

Rick Case Automotive Group

Rita and Rick Case, of Rick Case Automotive Group, recently hosted a VIP grand opening event for the new Rick Case Kia dealership at Sunrise Boulevard and the Sawgrass Expressway.

Local government, business and community leaders joined the Case's for the celebration, which included dealership tours, formal remarks and an official ribbon-cutting presentation.

At 260,000 square feet and five stories high, Rick Case's first dealership in the Sawgrass Mills area is recognized as the largest exclusive Kia dealership in the world.



Kevin Ahn, left, Rita Case, Byung Mo Ahn, Rick Case and Percy Vaughn
Photo by Robert Stolpe Photography

Covenant House

The Jim Moran Foundation recently awarded \$220,000 to Covenant House Florida.

The money will be used to launch a new General Education Degree/Adult Basic Education (GED/ABE) program for the homeless youth and young adults served by the organization.

Dubbed Project Empower, the grant will serve approximately 250 youths and young adults who are current or former Covenant House Florida residents. There will be approximately 40 active students at any time. The grant, which runs three years, provides funding for one full-time certified teacher, a part-time testing specialist and four part-time case managers in addition to a new classroom with 10 workstations with computers. The grant also covers the cost of GED Academy software, an accelerated learning program with built-in assessments that creates a customized learning plan for each student and adjusts the plan as the student learns.

ChildNet



Patti Morse, left, Ted Morse and Jeffrey Dwyer

ChildNet's Circle of Supporters recently held an intracoastal evening cruise aboard the Bottom Line motor yacht.

During the cruise, ChildNet honored Circle of Supporters members Ted and Patti Morse for their dedication to the community's most vulnerable children.

"It is because of the support and fundraising efforts of the Circle of Supporters that hundreds of foster children have the opportunity to enjoy playing sports or going to summer camp," said Jeffrey Dwyer, chairman of the ChildNet board. "We are incredibly grateful for the impact our Circle of Supporters have had and will continue to have on the abused, abandoned and neglected children in the communities we serve."

For more information about the organization, call 954-414-6000, ext. 8036, or visit www.facebook.com/ChildNet.