

CANCER ALLIANCE OF HELP & HOPE

Hosts Back-to-School Family Fun Day



More than 130 children, parents and caregivers impacted by cancer gathered for **Cancer Alliance of Help & Hope's (CAHH)** annual *Back-to-School Family Fun Day* at Fun Depot. The event provided local families with school supplies, financial assistance and a day of fun as they prepared for the upcoming school year.

Co-Chaired by **Elizabeth DeBrule** and **Peter and Diane Avonda**, the event helped ease some of the financial burdens families often face while undergoing cancer treatment. Every child received a new backpack filled with grade-appropriate school supplies, while each CAHH client family received a \$200 Publix gift card to help offset grocery expenses.

Families also enjoyed rides, games, food and other activities at Fun Depot, creating a memorable day focused on community, support and hope.

"For families battling cancer, everyday expenses don't stop simply because treatment begins," said **Stanton Collemer**, CEO of Cancer Alliance of Help & Hope. "Our *Back-to-School Family Fun Day* helps relieve some of those financial pressures while ensuring children have the supplies they need to begin the school year with confidence. We're grateful to our event co-chairs, volunteers, sponsors and community partners whose generosity made this special day possible."

Cancer Alliance of Help & Hope remains committed to supporting qualified Palm Beach County residents throughout their cancer journey by helping pay non-medical household expenses and providing critical resources that allow families to focus on healing rather than financial hardship.

This year, Cancer Alliance of Help & Hope is on track to distribute more than \$2 million in direct financial assistance to more than 350 local families throughout Palm Beach County. The organization has earned Platinum status from GuideStar and a Four-Star rating from Charity Navigator, the highest distinctions for transparency and accountability. Of every dollar received, 84% supports programs, 9% supports administration, and 7% supports fundraising.

For more information visit CAHH.org.

FIRST ROW: Diane and Peter Avonda with Elizabeth DeBrule; Volunteers Amie Swan with Danielle and Paul Shalhoub, Esq.; **SECOND ROW:** Julian and Cynthia Lopez; Malichi and Sheri Roundtree; **THIRD ROW:** Gabriela, Humberto and Hugo Gama; Aubree, Brittney and Marcus Sunser; **FOURTH ROW:** Jacobo and Erika Cano; Ridel, Elizabeth and Mireya Escalona.

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