## IMPACT THE PALM BEACHES

## IMPACT AWARDS CELEBRATION



mpact the Palm Beaches hosted the 10th Annual *Impact Awards Celebration* at the Cohen Pavilion, Kravis Center in West Palm Beach. During this exciting evening, Impact the Palm Beaches awarded high-impact grants totaling \$358,000 to nonprofit organizations in Palm Beach County.

The three winners of the \$100,000 Impact grant were: **Adopt-A-Family of the Palm Beaches** (Reimage and Renovate their Greenspace and Playscape); **Hispanic Human Resources Council, Inc.** (Purchase Kitchen and Service Equipment); and **YWCA of Palm Beach County** (Rapid Re-Housing Program). Additionally, three merit grants of \$19,333 were awarded to the **Center for Family Services** (Reconsolidation of Traumatic Memories program); **Families First of Palm Beach County** (Youth Empowered and Secure Program); and **Roots and Wings, Inc.** (Project Uplift).

"The work these nonprofits are doing in the community is truly life-changing," said **Lisa Johnson**, 2024–2025 Co-President of Impact the Palm Beaches. "Our members' eagerness to support these organizations is a refreshing expression of compassion. When people unite around a purpose-driven goal, it feels like anything is possible."

Before the presentations began, more than 250 members and guests enjoyed cocktails and light bites while mingling with the finalists. **Luli Ortiz**, anchor and reporter at *WPEC 12*, served as the event's emcee.

The 2025 Impact event was an exhilarating and inspiring evening, showcasing the power of collective giving. Finalists took the stage to present their compelling requests for funding to members of Impact the Palm Beaches. After thoughtful presentations, a vote was cast — and in true Impact tradition, the awards were distributed on the spot. Since its founding in 2015, Impact the Palm Beaches has granted more than \$2 million to local nonprofit organizations, fueling transformational change throughout the community.

For information visit Impactpalmbeaches.org.

**FIRST ROW**: Christine DelVecchio, Lisa Johnson and Grace Kurian; Deborah Johnson, Beth Walton and Jennifer Eaton; **SECOND ROW**: Melissa Haley and Nancy Feiwel; Margo Kohlhoff and Eileen Turenne; **THIRD ROW**: Sunny Hawkins, Cherry Harrison and Elizabeth Mariaca; Ofelia Utset and Kelly McFatter; **FOURTH ROW**: Lauren Sterlacci and Lisa Fenterss; Vicki Price, Kathleen Hillman and Virginia Spencer. PHOTOS: CAPEHART

