



GL Homes hosted reception for Gulfstream Goodwill Industries

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The holiday spirit could be felt by everyone who attended the GL Homes-hosted reception benefiting Gulfstream Goodwill Industries (GGI) last month at the Palm Beach Yacht Club.

GGI Board Chairman Joan McCabe welcomed guests and provided an overview of what GGI does for the community. The organization is a private, non-profit agency serving Palm Beach, Martin, St. Lucie, Indian River and Okeechobee Counties for more than 50 years. McCabe shared that it is the most significant health and human services organization in its five-county region, and the largest homelessness provider in its territory. GGI changes lives through employment, training and housing while assisting people with disabilities and other employment barriers to become self-sufficient, working members of the South Florida community.

“The needs in our community are significant and we can’t do it alone,” said Keith Kennedy, President and CEO of Gulfstream Goodwill Industries. “The homelessness crisis is escalating every day. We are seeing an increase in people who are homeless for the first time. Senior citizens

are being evicted from their homes because of the increasing cost of having a roof over their heads.”

GL Homes began supporting Gulfstream Goodwill in 2015 with the Good Night Sleep Program, which is for shelter residents who are moving from one of GGI’s homeless shelters and into their own space. The program provides support to transform lives, as it covers the first and last month’s rent. In addition, participants receive many of the features that make a house a home, including a mattress, box spring, linens, towels, pots and pans, cleaning supplies and a television.

“We are proud and thankful for our partnerships in the community, especially with GL Homes. For the past eight years, GL Homes has been a significant supporter, providing \$80,000 a year to our homeless programs,” said Kennedy. “They also constructed our home at Tamarind in 2020, which offers affordable housing for people with a developmental disability who are homeless or at risk of homelessness. The support GL Homes provides goes beyond their investments to support our programs. It also helps to build affordable housing. We are grateful for all they do.”

For more information on GGI, visit goggi.com or call 561-848-7200.



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