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## **Fundraiser Lays the Foundation to End Homelessness: Brick by Brick**

The Homeless Coalition of Palm Beach County is “Paving the Way to End Homelessness.” The nonprofit raised more than \$100,000 to help end homelessness in our community at the 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Senator Philip D. Lewis Center Luncheon.

The May 6<sup>th</sup> luncheon at the Kravis Center featured a yellow brick road theme with the final destination being an end to homelessness. Not only did the 250 guests learn facts about homelessness in Palm Beach County, they also had the opportunity to purchase a commemorative brick.

“There are many steps to ending homelessness. It’s a like an ongoing construction project,” said Homeless Coalition Executive Director Marilyn Munoz. “Buying a brick allows everyone in the community to be a part of solving this issue.”

The bricks will be added to a pathway at the Senator Philip D. Lewis Center. The Lewis Center is a central point of access for individuals and families seeking to end their homelessness in Palm Beach County. Since opening in 2012, the center has served more than 13,000 men, women and children.

Proceeds from the luncheon will help to fund meals and immediate housing for homeless individuals and families who have been served by the partner agencies at the Lewis Center.

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**The Homeless Coalition**

For over 25 years, the Homeless Coalition's purpose has been to generate awareness through advocacy, education and community outreach and to motivate a community-wide response to raise funding, resources, partners and involved citizens to end homelessness in Palm Beach County.

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