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## **Tuesday's Angels Donates \$25,000 to Support Three Local Non-Profit HIV/AIDS Programs**



Photo: David Jobin, president & CEO, Our Fund Foundation; Don Richard, Tuesday's Angels; Dick Schwarz, board member, Our Fund Foundation; Susan Martino, executive director, Pet Project For Pets holding Beanie and Chuck Nicholls, Tuesday's Angels Donor Advisory Fund with his pet Ava

December 9, 2019 – Tuesday's Angels, a donor advisory fund for

Our Fund Foundation and a non-profit which provides assistance and financial support to Broward County residents and living with HIV/AIDS, announced it will donate a total of \$25,000 to support three worthy local charity programs:

- Children's Diagnostics & Treatment Center was awarded \$5,000 for its Pediatric Dental Clinic, which cares for pediatric patients living with HIV. The prevalence of dental issues in HIV+ children is higher compared to their counterparts because of the effects of antiretroviral medications.

- Pet Project for Pets has been awarded \$10,000 for Keeping Pets with their People. This program provides assistance to more than 1,650 pets and their financially-challenged owners who are affected by HIV/AIDS, a terminal illnesses or disability and disadvantaged LGBT seniors. Clients are able to keep their loving companion pets at home and out of overcrowded shelters. They also receive pet food, supplies and vaccines at no cost regardless of financial hardship due to their illness or disability. If homebound, volunteers will deliver provisions.

- SunServe was awarded \$10,000 for its Bus Pass Program. SunServe has a long partnership with Tuesday's Angels providing bus passes to clients affected by HIV/AIDS for transportation to medical appointments.

"We are proud of the work Tuesday Angel's Inc. has accomplished over the past 25 years. Members of our advisory group are particularly pleased to now be working with the Our Fund Foundation in distributing grants to worthwhile organizations in the South Florida area," said Chuck Nicholls, coordinator and liaison for the Tuesday's Angels Donor Advisory Fund.

In addition to these grants, Tuesday's Angels also pledged financial support for Our Fund Foundation's new the HIV/AIDS Fund which was recently created to combat the spread of new transmissions in South Florida. While rates of new HIV cases have plummeted nationally over the past 20 years due to education, information and the success of lifesaving antiretroviral medication, Miami-Dade and Broward counties are not in alignment with this trend. In fact, Miami-Dade and Broward have been the top two counties in the nation for new

infections since

2014. Research indicates that MSM represents more than two-thirds of the newly reported HIV infection and AIDS cases in the two-county region.

For the past 25 years, Tuesday's Angels has raised and distributed more than \$2 million in emergency assistance for thousands of men, women and children in financial need who are living with HIV/AIDS in Broward County.

Established in 2011, Our Fund Foundation has grown into the third largest LGBT foundation in the nation. As South Florida's only LGBT community foundation, Our Fund promotes a culture of philanthropy by uniting donors with organizations; advancing lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender issues in Broward, Miami-Dade and Palm Beach counties; and supporting causes within the LGBT community. For more information on Our Fund Foundation, visit [our-fund.org](http://our-fund.org) or call 954-565-1090.

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